

Research Fellow Interview Questions

1. What are some long-range objectives that you developed in your last job? What did you do to achieve them?

2. Share an effective method you have used to support, plan, and/or coordinate operations for surveys.

3. What is the most challenging part of budgeting for you?

4. Tell me about your last experience recruiting, interviewing, or hiring an employee. What techniques did you find most effective in finding the right person for the job?

5. Name a time when your advice to management led to an improvement in your company or otherwise helped your employer.

6. Please share with me an example of how you helped coach or mentor someone. What improvements did you see in the person's knowledge or skills?

7. Provide an example of when you set expectations and monitored the performance of subordinates. What guidance and direction did you find most effective?

8. Describe an experience in which you identified the educational needs of your students and successfully developed a way to teach/train them.

9. In your experience, what is the key to developing a good team? (Look for how they build mutual trust, respect, and cooperation.)

10. Provide an example of a time when you successfully organized a diverse group of people to accomplish a task.

11. Share an experience you had in dealing with a difficult person and how you handled the situation.

12. Share an experience in which you successfully shared a difficult piece of information. (Make sure that the candidate has open lines of communication.)

13. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.

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14. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your company?

15. Give me an example of when you thought outside of the box. How did it help your employer?

16. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best solution to a problem.

17. Would you consider analyzing data or information a strength? How so?

18. Share an effective approach to working with a large amount of information/data. How has your approach affected your company?

19. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine which information was relevant?

20. Name a time when you identified strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions to problems. What was the impact?