

## Social Economist Interview Questions

1. Share an experience in which your ability to consider the costs or benefits of a potential action helped you choose the most appropriate action.
2. Share an experience in which you effectively supervised research or study projects. What methods made you successful?
3. Name a time when your advice to management led to an improvement in your company or otherwise helped your employer.
4. Describe an experience in which you identified the educational needs of your students and successfully developed a way to teach/train them.
5. Share an experience in which you successfully shared a difficult piece of information. (Make sure that the candidate has open lines of communication.)
6. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.
7. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your company?
8. Give me an example of when you thought outside of the box. How did it help your employer?
9. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best solution to a problem.
10. Would you consider analyzing data or information a strength? How so?
11. Share an effective approach to working with a large amount of information/data. How has your approach affected your company?
12. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine which information was relevant?
13. Provide a time when you were able to identify a complex problem, evaluate the options, and implement a

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solution. How did the solution benefit your employer?

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

15. Please share an experience in which you presented to a group. What was the situation and how did it go?

16. How would you rate your writing skills? (Ask for an example that demonstrates great writing skills.)

17. Provide an example of a time when you were able to demonstrate excellent listening skills. What was the situation and outcome?

18. Share an experience in which your understanding of a current or upcoming problem helped your company to respond to the problem.

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

20. Share an experience in which your attention to detail and thoroughness had an impact on your last company.

21. Share an example of when you established and accomplished a goal that was personally challenging. What helped you succeed?

22. Share an experience in which you effectively taught theories, principles, and methods of economics. What techniques did you find most effective?

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

24. Share an effective method you have used to compile, analyze, and report data to explain economic phenomena and forecast market trends. How do you apply mathematical models and statistical techniques?

25. Provide an experience in which you successfully provided litigation support.

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26. Provide an example when your ethics were tested.

27. Share a time when you willingly took on additional responsibilities or challenges. How did you successfully meet all of the demands of these responsibilities? (Make sure the candidate is a self-starter and can demonstrate some initiative.)

28. Provide an example of when you were persistent in the face of obstacles.

29. Tell me about a time when you developed your own way of doing things or were self-motivated to finish an important task.

30. Describe a time when you studied the socioeconomic impacts of new public policies. What methods did you use?