

Medical Residency Example Interview Questions

- Why did you choose to apply to this program?
- What would you like to know about our program?
- What do you feel you could add to our program?
- What have you learned about yourself from previous jobs?
- How do I know you can show initiative and are willing to work?
- What would you say are your major strengths? Weaknesses?
- Why did you choose this specialty?
- Tell me about your medical education.
- Tell me about your previous clinical experience in (specialty name).
- Why are you so sure (specialty) is right for you?
- Tell me about your experience with the USMLE exam(s)? (if candidate has so-so score(s) or failed attempts)
- How do you get along with nurses?
- Do you have any publications?
- Are you interested in research activity? Please elaborate.
- Have you ever made any presentations before a professional group?
- Have you assisted in surgery? On what procedures? Tell me how you were involved.
- What are your long term goals?
- Where do you see yourself in 10 years' time?
- What are you looking for in a training program?
- What books have you read lately? Tell me about (book, article).
- How would you describe your decision-making style?
- Describe the most difficult decision you have ever had to make. How did you go about it?
- Describe the worst or most disappointing clinical experience you've had so far.
- Describe a difficult time in your life and how you dealt with it.
What do you do to cope with stress?
- Have you held any leadership roles? Elaborate.
- What kind of personality traits do you find most difficult to deal with in co-workers?
- What challenges do you foresee that will potentially affect this specialty in the next ten years?
- What kind of patient do you find it most difficult to relate to? What tactics would you use to establish optimal rapport with such a patient?