

SAMPLE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS/SCHOLARS

Some questions to get you started on your interview. Not all questions may be appropriate. Choose at your own discretion and add your own:

1. How did you choose to come to the U.S.?
2. How long have you been in the U.S.?
3. What do you like the most/the least about the U.S.?
4. What do you miss the most about your home country?
5. What has been the most academically challenging portion of your immersion experience in the U.S.?
6. What are the biggest differences you see between the university experience here and in your home country?
7. What other facets of this experience have been challenging?
8. Can you describe a situation in which you felt it necessary to be an ambassador for your country? For example, has there been a situation in which you needed to clarify erroneous stereotypes or assumptions about your home culture? How did you handle that situation?
9. What is the general perception of the U. S. in your home country? Are those perceptions correct? In your opinion, what are U.S.'s greatest strengths and weaknesses?
10. Has your experience here helped you gain an appreciation for how the world is interconnected on all levels (environmental, socio-cultural, and geopolitical)? If so, can you cite specific examples?
11. Has your experience here helped you gain an ability to communicate effectively within and among diverse cultural groups? If so, can you cite specific examples?
12. Has your experience here helped you learn to respect cultural differences? If so, can you cite specific examples?