Traditional Interview Questions

There are several main “categories” of questions that an interviewer may ask. An interviewer may use your resume as a guide to learning more about you. You should be well-versed in the content of your resume as it relates to a specific position and employer. Additionally, it will be helpful to review the following categories of questions and begin crafting and practicing your responses.

**Personal and Career Related Questions**

- Tell me about yourself.
- What do you consider to be your greatest strengths? Weaknesses?
- Where do you want to be in five years? In ten years? What are your professional goals?
- Why did you choose the career for which you are preparing?
- How would you describe the ideal job for you following graduation?

**Education Related Questions**

- Why did you choose St. Bonaventure University? Your academic major?
- Do you think you received a good education? In what ways?
- Describe your role in your extracurricular activities, specifically with respect to leadership.

**Experience Related Questions**

- Of what two or three accomplishments are you most proud? Why?
- What have you learned from your past experiences that would help in this position?
- How do you think a former supervisor would describe you?

**Organization Related Questions**

- In what ways do you think you can make a contribution to our organization?
- Why did you choose to interview with our organization?
- What qualifications do you possess that make you think you will be successful in an organization like ours?
- What criteria are you using to evaluate the company for which you hope to work?