

Informational Interview Questions

Below are some questions you may want to ask in an informational interview. This list is not exhaustive. Be sure to include specific questions pertinent to you or the occupation.

- How did you get your start in this career?
- How did you prepare for entry into this field? Is there any specific training or degree required?
- What is a typical workday like?
- How many days/hours per week do you typically work?
- What are some typical entry-level positions to get started in this occupation?
- What are the qualifications you would look for in a recent graduate looking to get into this field?
- What is the entry-level salary range for this occupation? What is the maximum salary range?
- What are the most challenging aspects of your work?
- What rewards do you get from your work?
- Knowing what you know now, if you could start over again, what would you do differently to reach this occupation?
- Do you recommend any professional associations to join or journals to subscribe to?
- What do you enjoy most about your field in general and your current job in particular?
- What do you enjoy least about your field in general and your current job in particular?
- What are some obstacles I should be prepared to face when getting started?
- Do you have any other suggestions for someone interested in this field?

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