



Sample Interview Questions

1. Why do you want to be a physician/dentist/pharmacist/etc?
2. What do you do in your spare time?
3. What are your specific goals in medicine/dentistry/pharmacy/etc?
4. What stimulated your interest in medicine/dentistry/pharmacy/etc?
5. What do you think about HMO's and the changes taking place in medicine?
6. What schools have you applied to?
7. What do you intend to gain from a medical/dental/pharmacy/etc education?
8. What do you think about euthanasia?
9. Why do you think so many people want to be physicians/dentists/pharmacists/etc?
10. Do you think a physician should tell a patient he/she has eight months to live?
11. There are 1,000 applicants as qualified as you. Why should we pick you?
12. What steps have you taken to acquaint yourself with what a physician/dentist/pharmacist/etc does?
13. How would your plans differ if you knew that all physicians/dentists/pharmacists/etc would be working in HMO's in the future?
14. What do you think is the most pressing issue in medicine/dentistry/pharmacy/etc today?
15. What will you do if you don't get into medical/dental/pharmacy/etc I school?
16. What are your positive qualities and what are your shortcomings?
17. What is your relationship with your family?
18. How do you think your role as a physician/dentist/pharmacist/etc fits in with your role as a member of the community?
19. Describe your personality.
20. What do you have to offer our school?
21. What are the best and worst things that have ever happened to you?

22. What do you see yourself doing in medicine/dentistry/pharmacy/etc 10-15 years from now?
23. Is medicine/dentistry/pharmacy/etc a rewarding experience? Why?
24. Would you practice in the inner city? What do you think happens to people who practice medicine/dentistry/pharmacy/etc there (attitude changes, etc.)?
25. If there was an accident on the highway, would you stop and help the victims, knowing that doing so might lead to a malpractice claim against you?
26. What aspects of your life's experiences do you think make you a good candidate for medical/dental/pharmacy/etc school?
27. If your best friends were asked to describe you, what would they say?
28. How do you plan to finance your medical/dental/pharmacy/etc education?
29. What do you think about (...some current event)?
30. Discuss a book that you have recently read for pleasure. Why does this book interest you?