The following is a list of typical questions that you might be asked during an interview for nursing school. Read through the questions and prepare appropriate answers that reflect your experiences and knowledge. Be sure to include specific examples from "real life" experiences, including your internship(s) and volunteer experience, in your answers. To gain further practice with interviewing, contact the University Career Center to schedule a mock interview.

1. Why do you want to be a nurse?

2. What do you see as the major issues facing the field of nursing in the future?

3. Why are you interested in attending our nursing school?

4. In regards to nursing, where do you see yourself in 5 years?

5. What type of a support system do you have?

6. Tell me about a difficult person or situation you’ve recently encountered and how you handled it.

7. How do you relieve stress?

8. What kind of experiences have you had with nurses? What are some characteristics of the best nurse that you know?

9. What qualities do you possess that will make you a good nurse?

10. You are the nurse reporting an important change in a patient’s condition to a doctor. The doctor yells at you and calls you stupid, what would you do?