The following is a list of typical questions that you might be asked during an employment interview for a position in graphic design. 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 internship(s), in your answers. To gain further practice with interviewing, contact the University Career Center to schedule a mock interview.

1. How did you become interested in Graphic Design as a career?

2. How has your education prepared you for a career in Graphic Design?

3. What area of Graphic Design most interests you and why?

4. On a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being best: rate your creativity and ability to be innovative. How would your co-workers or classmates rate you?

5. What design software are you proficient in? Which are you most skilled in?

6. Do you have Web site design or animation experience? If so, please describe.

7. Please describe a time when you took complex information and designed a format to communicate it to the reader in an understandable and concise manner?

8. May I see your portfolio? Which piece are you most proud of and why?

9. Please give an example which demonstrates your ability to skillfully listen to clients needs and guide them during the design process. (If only education experience, ask them to give an example of excellent listening skills.)

10. How do you keep up with design trends and new ideas?