INTERVIEW PREPARATION

Ideally, through the process of writing your résumé and cover letter you have taken the time to think of your specific qualifications, past experiences, and achievements and how they relate to a specific job or job-type. The interview will be a place where you will need to speak both broadly and in detail. Your primary objective is to honestly articulate why specifically you and why specifically this job (this can be done through broad and detailed questions).

**Broad question example**
- Why should we hire you?
- Tell us a little about yourself?
- What is your teaching philosophy?
- Why do you want this job?

**Specific question example**
- Describe ways to promote the Music Department on campus and in the community
- How will you demonstrate to students your personal commitment to professional development?
- What do you feel the main goal of the department should be in educating our students?

PRACTICE WITH A CAREER ADVISOR

Whether preparing for a phone, Skype, or in person interview, we are here to help. Contact a Career Advisor and we'll first discuss overall philosophies and general approaches and make sure you have knowledge of yourself and the field. And then we PRACTICE. **We are happy to practice in person or over the phone** and as often as you need to until you feel comfortable with portraying yourself honestly and confidently.

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