
F1 Visa Interview Questions

F1 Visa Interview Questions - Part 1: Interest in US Education

Question 1: Why US? <<- very Important F1 Visa Interview Question.

To pursue Master in Mechanical Engineering

Question 2: Why only US?

- The United States has 168 universities in the world's top 500, 17 of which are in the top 20.
- The United Nations assigned an Education Index(mean years of schooling of adults to expected years of schooling of children) of 0.978 to the United States and in India it is 0.643, ranking it number 3 in the world below only to Australia and Norway while India is at 134.
- USA Universities are TOP for Masters and PhD Programs.
- One of the most impressive facts is the large number of presidents, prime ministers and leaders from other countries who have experienced the American education system and graduated from a university or school in the USA.
- The U.S. has no biasing in terms of culture,race,sex,creed,caste etc.
- Graduating from an accredited American school and being exposed to the rigors of the American education system is an investment in your future. The US Universities have gr8 facilities for research. Moreover, an MS degree from a Univ in US has high recognition back here in INDIA, and would help me to establish myself in a good position after my MS.

In US the education system is such that overall the best performer gets the best output as weightage is distributed in test,group project,class participation,assignments,quizzes etc. .However in India you have a final exam with weightage of 80-100% and if you fall sick or unable to attend exam due to any other reasons ,your whole year become waste. The key point is you do not lose all your points if you miss your final. So, if you get sick or have issues with some chapters, you are not penalized for that. The risk is evenly distributed. The catch is, you are forced to study all the semester because you have tests every 4 to 6 weeks depending on number of tests.

Test 1	30 %
Test 2	30%
Group Project	20 %
Class participation	5 %
Assignments	10%
Quizzes	5 %
Total	100 %

Q: Why not Australia or Norway?

Because violence is more in Australia and in Norway I could not find any good ranking universities involved in research in Thermal & fluid dynamics or hydro power or renewable energy sources.

Q: Which leaders are educated in USA?

Current Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh, first woman Indian prime minister Ms. Indira Gandhi from University of Oxford, Mr. Hesham Kandil educated from US became the prime minister of Egypt, Birendra Bir Birkram Shah Dev, King Nepal

• **Question 3: How can u say it is the center of excellence?**

The Global Giants are from US, to name a few.

In the field of Hardware ? IBM, INTEL, DELL, HP. In the field of Software ? MICROSOFT, ORACLE, SUN- MICROSYSTEMS, LINUX. In the field of network ? CISCO. In the field of OFC (Optical Fiber Cable) ? AT&T AMERICAN TELEPHONES & TELEGRAPH, BELL LABS. In the field of Application Software ? MOTOROLA, GE.

Question 4: How can u say it is most sought after International learning center?

Some of the best students and faculty from across the globe converge to US for their enrichment. For example in my school the numbers of International students are from more than 35 countries.

Then?

US universities are Primarily Research Centers. Every professor has an identified field of Research.

Question 5: How can u say US universities are Primarily Research Centers?

As the curriculum is more practical in application oriented. I wish to be the best and be the best.

Question 6: Why MS? <<- very Important F1 Visa Interview Question

Firstly for in-depth knowledge, Secondly as a mark of Academic Excellence, Finally for a long term career prospects. studying and sharing research work with a faculty that has a national and international reputation.

Question 7: Why not in INDIA?

I have an option to go for the best.

Question 8: Who said that US is the best?

As per U.S.E.F.I. United States Education Foundation in India, US Education is 6 years ahead of the rest of the world. The support for any research is very good in US

Question 9: I am from US, u can see me only, but I don't find sth like that in US?

Sir, u r in the best of the places, deciding the future of young Indians like me. Given a chance I wish to be your deputy.

Question 10: IIT is also the best option u have here, then?

Even the IITians are moving to US. Ultimately, it is the quality of education and right kind of Exposure.

Question 11: Exposure?

The curriculum is the most updated and keeps abreast with the latest across the globe. IIT and NIT's are considered the best but admissions are influenced by several external factors such as Reservations, Performance in the option of other applicants on that particular day. My opportunities are reduced more to chances. That's why I chose US schools which have a transparent and clear admission process.

Question 12: Why only US and not any other countries?

Above all US is undisputed in Computers.

F1 Visa Interview Questions - Part 2: About University

Question 13: Why this University? <<- very Important F1 Visa Interview Questions

In this school the research is going on the subjects of my interest areas like

- Molecular thermodynamics, Thermophysical properties and fluid phase equilibria, Process modeling and simulation
- Alternate energy sources
- CO₂ capture systems, Energy storage systems

This school is the best out of my admits.

(Explain about the speciality of the school and research being conducted in your department at this university.)

Question 14: How can u say that this is the best among u r admit?

Carriage Foundation Ranking has ranked it X%. Also the Reputation of the School, the Profile of the Department, and the course curriculum are the key factors.

Question 15: What do u mean by the Reputation of the School?

This school is established in 1969 year. The total numbers of students in the campus are 4500 comprising of 2000 graduates. The faculty to full time equivalent student ratio is 12:1 and the university is located in the capital of Illinois, Springfield.

Question 16: What do u mean by Profile of the Department?

There are six professors who hold an ultimate degree.

Dr. Ted Mims?PhD. In University of North Texas, Denton teaches CO, Introduction to OS, Network Administration, & Computer Architecture.

Dr. Kamyar Dezhgosha -- PhD. In University of Toledo teach Java and Object Oriented design.

Prof. Dr. Ted Mims and Prof. Dr. Kamyar Dezhgosha teach my field of interest and I wish to do my master?s under their guidance. They have careers par excellence.

Question 17: What do u mean by Course curriculum? Course-curriculum is everywhere.

The curriculum is updated and matches to the demand of the university.

Question 18: How many schools did u apply? List them.

List the numbers of schools u have applied, I have applied to 5 schools.

UIS, UTA, EMU, SDSU, FDU.

Question 19: Why did u choose this Univ?

This is the best out of my admits.

Question 20: But I think the third Univ is better than the one u applied, why don?t u go for it?

I appreciate Ur concern but Univ of Illinois, UIS is my first choice.

Question 21: U got 4 admits out of 5, u applied, how?

I picked up the schools which suit my profile.

Question 22: How did you come to know about these schools?

Few of my seniors, my frenz have guided me and net.

Question 23: Have u contacted any professor?

Yes Mr.Chau Chiyun Chen.Here is the mail correspondence. chauchyun.chen@ttu.edu

Question 24: Why?

I thought their time is too precious and it is too premature to disturb them. I will take the benefit of their skills when I land there.

Question 25: Is it worth spending this much of money on ur Master's?

Looking on Future aspects and Income levels, it's definitely worth.

My parents do appreciate the importance of Quality education.

F1 Visa Questions - Part 3: Financial Strength/Funding for Education

Question 26: Tell me about ur parents?

Tell about ur parents here about their professions.

Question 27: How they are going to fund you?

I have liquid cash sources of XX lakhs of which X lakhs are FD?s and X lakhs are NSC.

Basically I am from a rich family, money is never a constraint.

Question 28: How did ur parents accumulate this much money?

We have been into business from 45 years.

Our income levels are always greater than the expenses.

Question 29: Do u have any Brothers or Sisters?

Just give him the details if any.

Question 30: If u have a bro\sis, what about their Finance?

In two years from now, I will return back and guide him\her appropriately.

F1 Visa Questions - Part 4: Plans to return to Home Country

Question 31: What is the guarantee that u will return back?

The sole aim for me is to go to US, do my MS there, but not to work there.

Moreover I have many obligations towards my family and I must return as I need to take care of them.

As I have enough property, there is no need for me to work in US.

There is untapped market potential in INDIA.

Question 32: Where can I expect u in five years from now, Ur future plans?

Working for a multinational company like Satyam, Cognizant technologies, Polaris, Iflex, Visual Soft, InfoTech Enterprises.

As per NASCOM (National Association of Software services COMPanies), the future demand for IT Professionals is estimated 33 lakhs by 2015 and now it is 4 lakhs.

Question 33: When u return back, how much do u expect salary pay?

5-6 lakhs. Thanx to globalization the pay packets are good enough in INDIA and this is the pay they are offering now.

Question 34: Give me 3 reasons for giving u a valid visa to u?

Basically, I have been a performer passing my engg. In first class.

I have flair for higher education with an application angle.

Above all, very supportive school and parents

Question 35: What if I don't give u a visa?

I am sure performers and genuine students are never let down at the consulate.

Ur the ultimate judge.

Question 36: Ok, fine if I give u a visa?

Thanq, Profusely.

F1 Visa Interview Questions - Part 5: GRE,TOEFL,GMAT,IELTS, Backlogs

Question 37: Why ur Gre score is low?

The verbal section is too tough. It had its impact.

Question 38: Why did not u write it again?

I thought I will make amends with my toefl and academic scores.

Question 39: How many backlogs? Why?

X number of backlogs.

(For less no of backlogs)I felt ill quite a sudden in the middle of my exams.

(For more no)Until my engg. I was a good student but during engg. I was unable to balance between my studies and sports so little damage was done but now I made strong amends that I will work hard and achieve what I want.

Note: If you can't convince visa officer for F1 Visa Questions based on backlogs, you will be rejected by 214b, considering you as you are ineligible student to study in USA.

F1 Visa Interview Questions - Part 6: Non-Immigrant Status

Question 40: Will u work while studying?

Yes, if it is related to my studies like graduate assistantship.

Question 41: Will you work if you get a full time job in USA?

No. I am not interested sir. I am interested in Education in USA not to work after that.

Question 42: Is your Brother in USA? (Students with siblings living in USA may be asked this question)

Yes.

Question 43: What is he doing?

He is working on H1B Visa.

(Even though your sibling have Greencard in US, i won't cause problem for your F1 Visa)

F1 Visa Questions - Part 7: Miscellaneous

Question 44: Why did u come for Delhi instead of Hyderabad? Students applying for Other Locations.

I did try for good number of days. But didn't get visa appointment in Hyderabad.

Question 45: Do you know anybody in this University?

yes, i do have some of my seniors.

Question 46: How did you choose this university?

Got some suggestions from my professors at my college, contacted seniors for information about US Universities.

Surfed sites like MSinUS and USNews for US Education info.

Question 46: Will you Work on CPT in a good company?

If my course work requires and if is helpful to my course work.

Question 47: Will you Work in USA after MS? if you are offered job in Microsoft, USA.

No Sir. I can easily get a good in my home country after graduating from the reputed US University.

Question 48: Given a chance, Will you work off-campus like in Motel, Gas Stations?

No Sir. I am allowed to work in University 20 hrs a week. I am not allowed to work off campus jobs.

Questions 49: Where are you Exactly going in USA?

Mention your university location/city.

Question 50: Which Consultancy helped with F1 Visa Documentation?

Better to prepare documents by yourself than getting help from fraud consultancies.

Questions to 2nd or 3rd time F1 Visa Applicants

1) Why did you change the university

2) what are all the documentation changes you made from last time. - Make sure you change

3) Did you retake any tests?

4) Why is your F1 visa rejected last time?

F1 Visa Questions for 214b Cases

If you are rejected under 214b visa refusal in the F1 visa interview frequent questions you might see in the next attempt

1) Will you come back to india after MS?

2) What changes from last time?

3) How can i trust that you are not a potential migrant.

4) why did you get 214b last time?

Q: Why did you choose to study in US? / Why you want to pursue your degree from US?

A: Academic experience from a US university is highly valued around the world. Also, US universities offer excellent research opportunities through many assistantship programs. On top of that, having global exposure tremendously helps to advance my career.

Q: What do you know about American universities? / Why study in US, why not UK or Canada?

A: American universities are well known for their quality of education and research opportunities. Their programs are well designed with equal importance on theoretical knowledge along with strong practical skills.

Q: What will be your specialization in MS? / What will be your major in MS?

A: Answer appropriately (eg: I will be majoring in Computer Science)

Q: What are your plans after graduation?

A: Answer appropriately (eg: I will return back to India and would like to work as Software Developer)

Q: Are you sure you will be coming back to India after studies? / Will you be coming back to India after graduation?

A: Yes! India has great opportunities in the field of my study. The advance degree I will be pursuing from US will be a great asset in advancing my career here in India.

Q: Have you been to the States before? / Have you ever been outside India?

A: No! I have never been outside India.

Q: Can I see your Bachelor's diploma?

A: Sure! (Hand him the diploma)

Q: What was your major in undergrad? / What was your concentration in Bachelor's?

A: Answer appropriately (eg: I did Bachelor's in computer science)

Q: When and from which university did you graduate?

A: I graduated in XXXX(year) from XXX university

Q: Can I see your marksheets/transcripts?

A: Sure! (Give office your transcripts/marksheets)

Q: Do you have your GRE/TOEFL/IELTS/GMAT score reports?

A: Yes! (Provide the originals)

Q: What all universities did you apply?

A: Answer appropriately (eg: I applied to 3 universities)

Q: Which universities did you get admission?

A: Answer appropriately (eg: I got admission from all 3 universities)

Q: Which university are going to?

A: Answer appropriately

Q: Did you get any scholarship?

A: Answer accordingly (eg: Yes! I was awarded XXXX dollars scholarship)

Q: Can you tell me some good things about this university?

A: Know about your university

Q: Did you contact any professors from that university?

A: Yes! I did speak with couple professors. I inquire about their course curriculum

Q: Do you happen to remember those professors names?

A: Name couple professors

Q: Do you have family in the US?

A: I do not have any family

Q: Do you have friends in US?

A: Yes! I do have couple friends

Q: What is your father?

A: Answer appropriately

Q: Do you have siblings?

A: Answer appropriately

Q: Who is sponsoring your studies?

A: Answer appropriately (eg: My father is sponsoring my education)

Q: What is your father's income?

A: Answer appropriately

Q: Can I see tax returns?

A: Sure! (provide the documents)

Q: Can I see Bank Statements/Passbook?

A: Sure (provide the documents)

Q: Did you take any loans?

A: Answer appropriately (If yes, give the officer your loan approval letter)

Q: Where do your parents live?

A: Answer appropriately