

Job Market Paper

- Why is this economics?
- Why is this an interesting question?
- Why should we care about your results?
- Who would pay to know the answer to your research question?
- What are the policy implications of your work?
- How did you get the idea for this paper?
- Why didn't you estimate (alternative model) instead?
- Why didn't you use (alternative data set) instead?
- To what journal will you send your JMP?
- Who would be the ideal referees for your JMP?

General Research Agenda

- When will you finish your dissertation?
- What are the next three papers you will write?
- What is your research agenda for the next five years?
- Do you plan to continue collaborating with your advisors?
- Which senior economists do you wish to emulate and why?
- What is the best paper you've seen in a seminar recently and why was it the best?
- Based on your reading of the literature and participation in seminars and conferences, where do you see (your field) going?
- In general, what journals do you consider to be the appropriate outlets for your work?
- What will be your major conferences?
- Which of your publications do you feel is the most significant?
- Why would stakeholders care about your research/findings?

Teaching

- If you were to teach a PhD course in your field, what would be the most important papers on the syllabus?
- What is your teaching experience?
- What would you like to teach? what textbooks/journal articles would you use?
- How would you teach? What is your teaching philosophy?
- Tell us about your service activities
- Why do you want to teach at a liberal arts college?
- Why do you want to teach at a research institution?
- Why do you want to teach at a state university?
- What teaching techniques do you use in the classroom?
- What methods do you use to involve students?
- What new classes would you want to teach?
- What are your teaching strengths/weaknesses?
- Describe a time when you felt challenged in the classroom.
- What steps have you taken to improve your teaching?
- What technologies have you used in the classroom?

Behavior

- What are your strengths and weaknesses?
- Tell us about your goals
- What type of colleague will you be?
- What would you do in your first two weeks of arriving on campus?

Job-Specific Questions

- Why did you apply for this job?
- What is it about our department that interests you?
- What are your impressions of our curriculum?
- What experience do you have working for this type of institution?
- What skills would you bring to our department?
- How would you describe the reputation of the school/department?
- What support do you expect from an institution like ours?
- Why do you think you would be a good candidate for this role?
- How would you fit with the existing activities in our department/university?
- Which groups here would you expect to collaborate with?
- How would your career benefit from being here?
- What sort of colleague would you be?
- How would you support the admin needs of the department?