

## **VISA INTERVIEW QUESTIONS**

### **PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATURE OF STUDENT (60% Weightage)**

1. WHY ARE YOU GOING TO US?
  2. WHY PARTICULARLY THAT UNIVERSITY? (These subjects are also taught in other universities also)
  3. TELL ME ABOUT YOUR COURSE CIRRICULUM (i.e. explain about your Course Curriculum)? WHAT IS THE COURSE STRUCTURE? Or WHAT ARE THE COURSE CONTENTS?
  4. HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY? (How did you come to know about these universities?)
  5. HOW MANY UNIVERSITIES YOU HAVE APPLIED?
    - a. HOW MANY I-20'S YOU GOT?
    - b. HOW MANY REJECTIONS YOU HAVE? WHY?
  6. WHAT IS YOUR PREVIOUS DEGREE?
  7. WHERE DID YOU FINISH YOUR PREVIOUS DEGREE?
  8. HOW MUCH % OF MARKS IN YOUR PREVIOUS (bachelor) DEGREE?
  9. WHY ARE YOU CHANGING YOUR FIELD OF EDUCATION?  
(In case you are going to different course from your previous degree)
    - a. AND HOW YOU CAN MAINTAIN?
  10. CAN YOU SHOW ME YOUR ACADEMIC REPORTS?
  11. HOW MANY BACKLOGS (failures then pass by the time in engineering) YOU HAVE?
  12. WHY BACKLOGS?
  13. IN CASE OF LOW % OF MARKS, WHY LOW % OF MARKS?
  14. TELL ME ABOUT YOUR SCORE REPORTS?
  15. IN CASE OF LOWSCORES, WHY LOW SCORES?
  16. THIS COURSE IS ALREADY AVAILABLE IN INDIA, WHY ARE PLANINING TO USA AND SPEND THIS MUCH OF MONEY UNNECESSARILY?
  17. WHY ONLY USA? WHY ARE YOU GOING TO USA ONLY? DO YOU KNOW ABOUT USA EDUCATION?
  18. HOW THIS COURSE HELPS TO YOUR FUTURE? WHY MASTER'S?
  19. TELL ME THE RESEARCH TOPICS GOING IN THE UNIVERSITY, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW?
  20. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW?
  21. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THE CITY, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW? (for which it is famous)
  22. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THE TEMPERATURE, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW?
  23. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THE GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW?
  24. WHEN YOU HAVE AN IDEA TO DO YOUR MASTER? WHY NOT LAST FALL?
  25. IN CASE OF GAP, WHAT WERE YOU DOING? WHY ARE YOU LEAVING THE JOB? Etc.
    - a. SHOW ME YOUR EXPERIENCE CERTIFICATE?
  26. DO YOU KNOW ANY PROFESSOR IN THIS (present going) UNIVERSITY? AND HOW DO YOU KNOW? DID YOU CONTACT THE PROFESSOR? REGARDING WHAT YOU HAVE CONTACTED THE PROFESSOR? DO YOU HAVE ANY PROOF WITH YOU? (i.e., Print-outs of Mails or Phone Numbers of Professors)  
GIVE THE NAMES OF THE PROFESSOR TO WHOM YOU CONTACT? Etc.
  27. WILL YOU COME BACK DURING SUMMERS?
  28. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT YOU BTECH PROJECT
  29. DO YOU HAVE ANY RELATIVES OR FRIENDS IN USA?
  30. WHAT ARE THE COMPANIES TIED\_UP (COLLOBARATED) WITH YOUR UNIVERSITY?
  31. TELL ME FEW SUBJECT NAMES IN YOUR BACHELOR DEGREE
  32. WHY THAT SPECIALIZATION ONLY?
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33. WHAT IS THE STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO IN YOUR UNIVERSITY, NOW YOU ARE GOING TO?
34. DO YOU HAVE ANY PLANS TO STUDY PHD AFTER MASTERS?
35. DID YOU GET ANY SCHOLARSHIP? (Prepare for Why YES / NO)
36. WHAT DO YOU THINK; WHY UNIVERSITY IS GIVING SCHOLARSHIP TO YOU?
37. EVEN THOUGH YOU ARE GETTING SCHOLARSHIP IN OTHER UNIVERSITIES, WHY YOU WANT TO GO THIS UNIVERSITY WITHOUT AID?
38. WHAT IS YOUR NAME? WHAT ARE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS TILL THE DATE? % SECURED AND WHEN DID YOU COMPLETED YOUR LAST QUALIFICATION?
39. WHAT IS THE DURATION OF YOUR COURSE?
40. WHERE DO YOU INTENDED TO STAY IN USA?
41. WHY DID YOU CHOOSE USA FOR YOUR FURTHER EDUCATION?
42. ON WHAT BASIS YOU HAVE DECIDED THESE ARE GOOD UNIVERSITIES?
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### **FINANCIAL AFFORDABILITY (30% Weightage)**

46. WHO ARE YOUR SPONSERS? OR WHO IS PAYING FOR YOUR ENTIRE TRIP?
  47. DO YOU HAVE ANY SIBLINGS? WHAT ARE THEY DOING?
  48. WHAT ARE SPONSERS DOING? / TELL ME ABOUT YOUR FAMILY BACKGROUND / WHAT IS FATHER & WHAT IS YOUR MOTHER? BRIEFLY EXPLAIN ABOUT YOUR FAMILY?  
WHAT IS YOUR FATHER? HOW MUCH ANNUAL INCOME YOUR FATHER IS GETTING?  
WHAT IS YOUR MOTHER? HOW MUCH ANNUAL INCOME YOUR MOTHER IS GETTING?  
IS THERE ANY OTHER INCOME SOURCES?
  49. HOW YOU ARE GETTING THIS MUCH OF MONEY IN THIS SHORT TIME?  
Or EXPLAIN THE BANK STATEMENT? YOUR PASSBOOK SHOWS THAT A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY HAS RECENTLY BEEN DEPOSITED? HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN THAT? WHY IS YOUR PASSBOOK REFLECTING RECENT TRANSACTIONS?
  50. BRIEFLY EXPLAIN ABOUT YOUR HOUSE? HOW MANY SERVANTS IN YOUR HOUSE?
  51. WHAT ARE YOU HOBBIES?
  52. IN CASE OF AGRICULTURE YOU ARE SHOWING AS THE MAJOR SOURCE OF INCOME, WHAT TYPE OF CROPS GENERALLY YEILDING ON YOUR FIELDS?
  53. WHY ARE YOU TAKING EDUCATION LOAN?
  54. WHO WILL REPAY THE EDUCATION LOAN?
  55. WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO STAY IN USA?
  56. WHAT IS YOU FATHER'S ANNUAL INCOME?
  57. WHAT IS YOUR MOTHER'S ANNUAL INCOME?
  58. IN CASE OF BUSINESS, WHAT TYPE OF BUSINESS IT IS?
  59. WHAT IS THE TURN\_OVER OF BUSINESS?
  60. HOW MANY EMPLOYERS ARE WORKING UNDER YOUR FATHER?
  61. DO YOU HAVE SPONSERS OTHER THAN PARENTS? WHAT THEY ARE DOING? WHY THEY ARE SPONSERING?
  62. WHAT PROOF DO YOU HAVE THAT YOUR SPONSER CAN SUPPORT YOUR STUDIES?
  63. DO YOU HAVE TO REPAY THIS MONEY TO YOUR PARENTS?
  64. CAN YOU DRIVE CAR?
  65. WHAT IS THE EMI OF LOAN WHICH YOU HAVE SHOWN?  
PARENTS RETIRED HOW WILL THEY PAY? (In case they were retired or they are going to retired soon)
  66. WHAT IS THE COURSE FEE?
  67. HOW MUCH IS THE LIVING EXPENSES THROUGHOUT YOUR COURSE?
  68. WHAT IS THE TOTAL COST OF YOUR EDUCATION IN USA?
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69. WHY ARE YOU INVEST THIS MUCH OF MONEY, IT IS ALREADY AVAILABLE IN INDIA WITH VERY LESS COST?
70. HOW MUCH READY AVAILABLE MONEY YOU HAVE?
71. ARE YOUR SPONSERS PAY I.T. AND HOW MUCH?
72. WHAT IS YOUR TOTAL FAMILY INCOME?
73. IN CASE OF YOU ARE ONLY CHILD TO YOUR PARENTS, WHO WILL TAKE CARE OF YOUR PARENTS HERE, DURING YOUR STUDY PERIOD?
74. HOW YOU ARE GOING TO REPAYMENT ALL YOU SPEND ON THIS COURSE?
75. WHO HAVE PREPARED ALL THESE DOCUMENTS?
76. \_\_\_\_\_
77. \_\_\_\_\_
78. \_\_\_\_\_

### **COMEBACK (10% Weightage)**

79. WHAT ARE YOUR FUTURE PLANS AFTER COMPLETION OF STUDIES?
80. LIST OF COMPANIES IN INDIA WHERE YOU ARE GOING TO GET OPPORTUNITIES.
81. WHAT ARE THE POSITIONS THEY ARE GOING TO OFFER IN THOSE COMPANIES?  
Or HAVE YOU RESEARCHED YOUR CAREER PROSPECTS?
82. WHY SHOULD I GIVE YOU THE VISA?
83. IF I REJECT THE VISA, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
84. WHAT WILL YOU DO AFTER COMING BACK TO HOME?
85. DO YOU INTEND TO WORK IN USA AFTER COMPLETION OF YOUR STUDIES?
86. HOW MUCH MONEY CAN YOU EARN AFTER COMPLETION OF STUDIES?
87. AFTER FIVE YEARS WHAT IS YOUR POSITION?
88. IF GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK IN USA AFTER COMPLETING YOUR STUDIES,  
WILL YOU SETTLE THERE OR COME BACK TO INDIA?
89. HAVE YOU HIRED ANY CONSULTANT FOR ADMISSION AND VISA PROCESSING?
90. HOW CAN YOU CONVINCE ME THAT YOU ARE NOT A PROSPECTIVE IMMIGRANT?
91. INCASECAMPUS SELECTIONS, YOU ARE SELECTED THEN?

The phrase sufficient funds means the applicant must establish the unlikelihood of either becoming a public charge, or of resorting to unauthorized U.S. employment for financial support. An applicant must provide documentary evidence that sufficient funds are, or will be, available to defray all expenses during the entire period of anticipated study. This does not mean that the applicant must have cash immediately available to cover the entire period of intended study, which may last several years. The consular officer must, however, require credible documentary evidence that the applicant has enough readily available funds to meet all expenses for the first year of study. The officer also must be satisfied that, barring unforeseen circumstances, adequate funds will be available for each subsequent year of study from the same source or from one or more other specifically identified and reliable financial sources.

## MODEL ANSWERS

### PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATURE OF STUDENT (60% Weightage)

#### 1. WHY ARE YOU GOING TO US?

**ANS.** To pursue my

1. **Masters in VLSI-Design** (mention specialization) in
2. **University of California Berkley** (mention name of university),
3. **Berkley** (mention place of university where it is located) in
4. **California State** (mention state name)

(Here you have to cover above four points)

Or

USA has a very flexible education system and I have the freedom to choose subjects according to my Interest and according to the Workload. Also it gives more emphasis on practical's than theory.

#### 2. WHY PARTICULARLY THAT UNIVERSITY? (These subjects are also taught in other universities also)

**ANS.** The University facilitates the following things,

1. **Course Curriculum:** Up to Date (i.e. Updated) course curriculum, what exactly the current industry needs today include in course curriculum.
2. **Faculty:** they provide well industrially experienced faculty, and also provide visiting professors (i.e. those who are top in the field through-out the world)
3. **Student to Faculty Ratio** :( is high) means for every ten students they provide one faculty (i.e. Individual attention is there).
4. **Labs:** Advanced laboratory specialities they provide.
5. **Project:** They facilitate to do the project in real industry that gives an advantage, after completion of my course when I come back to India, in getting jobs.
6. **Research:** more research is going on particularly in the area of my Specialisation. That gives me an advantage to explore more in my area of interest i.e. specialisation.

Etc.

#### 3. TELL ME ABOUT YOUR COURSE CURRICULUM (i.e. explain about your Course Curriculum)? WHAT IS THE COURSE STRUCTURE? Or WHAT ARE THE COURSE CONTENTS?

**ANS.** It is two years course; it is having the following modules:

1. a...
2. b...
3. c...
4. d...
5. e...
6. f...

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12. l...

Etc.

In addition with these modules, they facilitate to do the industrial project in the last six months. (For this answer everybody has to refer the university website i.e. I-20 university, in case it is not mentioned; go to good university websites like

1. STANFORD UNIVERSITY
  2. CALIFORNIA BERKLEY UNIVERSITY
  3. MIT
  4. HARWARD (for MBA courses)
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Etc.)

**4. HOW DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY? (How did you come to know about these universities?)**

**ANS.** Through Websites or Google search.

After completion of my course (i.e. BE/B.Tech.), I am planning to do masters in **VLSI Designing** (mention specialization) then I gone through the so many Universities, those offer this Course through internet, among those, few Universities impress me; particularly This University impress me a lot, Why because: Faculty, Course Curriculum, Lab facilities, Project, Research, Industrial Tie-Ups etc.

**5. HOW MANY UNIVERSITIES YOU HAVE APPLIED? HOW MANY I-20'S YOU GOT? HOW MANY REJECTIONS YOU HAVE? WHY?**

**ANS.** Try to say reality for first two questions (I applied for four universities out of that I got two admits and remaining two are in process)

For third question, say like this: I don't have any rejections, remaining are in the process / May be in Departmental Review.

Then he/she (i.e. Visa Officer) ask still you are waiting for any other I-20?

Sol: No.

While I was applied this is my first priority, now I got it, no need to wait for other I 20's.

(Try to carry all your I-20 go to consulate with; you got received up to now. They may ask, show me the all I-20's you got up to now?)

**6. WHAT IS YOUR PREVIOUS DEGREE?**

**7. WHERE DID YOU FINISH YOUR PREVIOUS DEGREE?**

**8. HOW MUCH % OF MARKS IN YOUR PREVIOUS (bachelor) DEGREE?**

**ANS.** 6. & 7. & 8.

I completed my BTECH in ECE in CBIT, affiliated to Osmania University in June 2009 with aggregate Percentage of 72% with No Backlogs.

**9. WHY ARE YOU CHANGING YOUR FIELD OF EDUCATION?**

(In case you are going to different course from your previous degree)

**a. AND HOW YOU CAN MAINTAIN?**

**ANS.** Try to be honest for first two questions.

**10. CAN YOU SHOW ME YOUR ACADEMIC REPORTS?**

**ANS.** While hand over all academics tries to say, "Yes please go through".

**11. HOW MANY BACKLOGS (failures then pass by the time in engineering) YOU HAVE?**

**12. WHY BACKLOGS?**

**13. IN CASE OF LOW % OF MARKS, WHY LOW % OF MARKS?**

**14. TELL ME ABOUT YOUR SCORE REPORTS?**

**15. IN CASE OF LOWSCORES, WHY LOW SCORES?**

**ANS.** 11. Be honest.

**ANS.** 12. Try to say appropriate reason (First analyze all semester wise then think about proper reason which suits).

**ANS.** 13. Try to say appropriate reason.

**ANS.** 14. My GRE of 1240 & TOEFL of 90 like answer.

**ANS.** 15. Try to say appropriate reason.

**16. THIS COURSE IS ALREADY AVAILABLE IN INDIA, WHY ARE PLANING TO USA AND SPEND THIS MUCH OF MONEY UNNECESSARLY?**

**17. WHY ONLY USA? WHY ARE YOU GOING TO USA ONLY? DO YOU KNOW ABOUT USA EDUCATION?**

**ANS.** 16. Even though the course is available in India

1. Getting a seat in premier colleges is tough / highly competition.

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2. Lack of experienced faculty
3. Poor Lab facilities
4. Poor Research
5. Course Curriculum Concentrate 80% on theory less on practical.
- Etc.

**ANS. 17.** Because of

1. USA Education system is six years ahead than other countries in the world
2. They concentrate more on practical than theory
3. Their Degrees are globally recognized.
4. Flexibility in choosing course modules
5. USA is the technical leader of the world
- Etc.

**18. HOW THIS COURSE HELPS TO YOUR FUTURE? WHY MASTER'S?**

**19. TELL ME THE RESEARCH TOPICS GOING IN THE UNIVERSITY, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW?**

**20. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW?**

**ANS. 18.** To explore my knowledge in the area of my interest.

Firstly because of my **Interest** and Secondly because of **opportunities** after completion of course back to India

**ANS. 19.** Try to go through your University and you department website and let you know one / two topics and prepare few sentences about those. Not available in your website, go through the google search / top universities websites.

**ANS. 20.** Prepare few sentences about the University (I 20)

1. How old it is?
2. What are different departments it's offering?
3. What are different degrees it's offering?
4. What are different specialisations?
5. What are different countries people coming to study there i.e. Multicultural?
6. Where it is located?
7. For what it is famous for?
- Etc.,

**21. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THE CITY, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW? (for which it is famous)**

**22. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THE TEMPERATURE, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW?**

**23. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT THE GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION, WHERE YOU ARE GOING NOW?**

**ANS. 21. 22. 23.** Prepare for it.

Open [www.wikipedia.com](http://www.wikipedia.com) website and put city name of University located in **search** column, It open big page about that city/place

Try to Know Something / Five sentences about that place i.e.

1. For what it is famous (Ex. Hyderabad is famous for Biryani)
2. Geographical Location i.e. North/South/East/West/North Eastern etc.,
3. Climatic conditions i.e. range of temperatures (Worst in winter to best in Summer Ex. -5 Degrees Centigrade to 30 Degrees C.)
4. List out the names of the Companies in & around that city

**24. WHEN YOU HAVE AN IDEA TO DO YOUR MASTER? WHY NOT LAST FALL?**

**ANS.** For Immediate students say during my Second/Third year Engineering  
In case Gap of one or two years say during my Project / Job Etc.,

**25. IN CASE OF GAP, WHAT WERE YOU DOING? WHY ARE YOU LEAVING THE JOB? Etc. SHOW ME YOUR EXPERIENCE CERTIFICATE?**

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**ANS.** In case of gap, carry all proof i.e. Course certificates / Salary Slips/ Etc.,  
Why are you leaving the job? For the best opportunities I am going to get after completion of masters in USA and back to India  
Better positions than now, Better pay packages Etc.,

**26. DO YOU KNOW ANY PROFESSOR IN THIS (present going) UNIVERSITY? AND HOW DO YOU KNOW? DID YOU CONTACT THE PROFESSOR? REGARDING WHAT YOU HAVE CONTACTED THE PROFESSOR? DO YOU HAVE ANY PROOF WITH YOU? (I.e. Print-outs of Mails or Phone Numbers of Professors) GIVE THE NAMES OF THE PROFESSOR TO WHOM YOU CONTACT? Etc.**

**ANS.** Yes, I know few Professors Names Prof. Peterson, Prof. Samuel, Prof. Cheong Etc., I know through the University website.  
I was contacted the professors regarding my Course curriculum, Research etc., These are the Print of Mail copies, please go through these.  
Incase, you not communicated with the professors, because the University website clearly gives what all I need till date.  
Thanks for University website.

**27. WILL YOU COME BACK DURING SUMMERS?**

**ANS.** Yes, During Summer break to see my parents.  
No, I want spend these two year to learn as much as possible by utilising the facilities provided by University in the form of Labs & Faculty.

**28. TELL ME SOMETHING ABOUT YOU BTECH PROJECT**

**ANS.** Try to explain about you B.TECH Project i.e. Abstract

**29. DO YOU HAVE ANY RELATIVES OR FRIENDS IN USA?**

**ANS.** No (try to stick with the filled answers in DS-160 form).

**30. WHAT ARE THE COMPANIES TIED\_UP (COLLOBARATED) WITH YOUR UNIVERSITY?**

**ANS.** Try to list out the Names of Companies tied-up with University.

**31. TELL ME FEW SUBJECT NAMES IN YOUR BACHELOR DEGREE**

**ANS.** Try to reveal all subject names in your B.TECH year by year.

**32. WHY THAT SPECIALIZATION ONLY?**

**ANS.** Try to explain the reason for it. Show the link / reason for choosing that specialisation i.e. Project Etc.,

**33. WHAT IS THE STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO IN YOUR UNIVERSITY, NOW YOU ARE GOING?**

**ANS.** Student to Faculty Ration: 10:1 / 14:1 / 12:1 etc., ( Go through your website and let you know).

**34. DO YOU HAVE ANY PLANS TO STUDY PHD AFTER MASTERS?**

**ANS.** NO.

If YES, Prepare for Topic, University Etc.,

**35. DO YOU GOT ANY SCHOLARSHIP? (Prepare for Why YES / NO)**

**ANS.** Say YES / NO, According to the Scholarships mentioned on I 20.

**36. WHAT DO YOU THINK; WHY UNIVERSITY IS GIVING SCHOLARSHIP TO YOU?**

**ANS.** I don't know the exactly the reasons, they might consider my Strong Academic % & Good Score Reports.

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**37. EVEN THOUGH YOU ARE GETTING SCHOLARSHIP IN OTHER UNIVERSITIES, WHY YOU WANT TO GO THIS UNIVERSITY WITHOUT AID?**

**ANS.** This is my first priority while I am applying to Universities, based on its merits.

**38. WHAT IS YOUR NAME? WHAT ARE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS TILL THE DATE? % SECURED AND WHEN DID YOU COMPLETED YOUR LAST QUALIFICATION?**

**ANS.** My Name is NARESH SANUMPUDI, I completed my B.TECH in ECE in CBIT in 2010 with an aggregated % of 72.

**39. WHAT IS THE DURATION OF YOUR COURSE?**

**ANS.** Two years generally for Masters in USA.

**40. WHERE DO YOU INTENDED TO STAY IN USA?**

**ANS.** University Hostels / Accommodation.

**41. WHY DID YOU CHOOSE USA FOR YOUR FURTHER EDUCATION?**

**ANS.** Tell few points about USA Education i.e.

1. USA Education system is six years ahead than other countries in the world
  2. They concentrate more on practical than theory
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  4. Flexibility in choosing course modules
  5. USA is the technical leader of the world
- Etc.

**42. ON WHAT BASIS YOU HAVE DECIDED THESE ARE GOOD UNIVERSITIES?**

**ANS.** After completion of my course (i.e. B.E/B.TECH), I am planning to do masters in **VLSI Designing** (mention specialization) then I gone through the so many Universities, those offer this Course through internet, among those, few Universities impress me; particularly This University impress me a lot, Why because: Course Curriculum, Faculty, Lab facilities, Project, Research and Industrial Tie-Ups etc.

**43.** \_\_\_\_\_

**44.** \_\_\_\_\_

**45.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Keep a smiling face so as to welcome any questions.**

**It is un-wise to contradict an answer through a subsequent answer.**

**Always stick to the same answer whenever asked for.**

**An applicant's behavior should convince the VO about the quality of personality that the candidate has.**

**Avoid any exhibition of emotions other than the feelings of welcoming questions and ready to give the answers.**

**You have to make the answers short, to the point and precise. Give answers confidently, boldly, and visa will be yours.**

**On final note, thank the interviewer for his time.**

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## **FINANCIAL AFFORDABILITY (30% Weightage)**

### **46. WHO ARE YOUR SPONSERS? OR WHO IS PAYING FOR YOUR ENTIRE TRIP?**

**ANS.** My Parents (Incase Father & Mother Only) / My Family Members (Incase Father, Mother, Brother/ Sisters & Grand Father/ Grand Mother)

### **47. DO YOU HAVE ANY SIBLINGS? WHAT ARE THEY DOING?**

**ANS.** Yes, I have one Younger Sister doing her MBBS First year (put in a mind, there is no other big expenses with in these two years), Say According to DS-160 form filled.

### **48. WHAT ARE SPONSERS DOING? / TELL ME ABOUT YOUR FAMILY BACKGROUND / WHAT IS FATHER & WHAT IS YOUR MOTHER / BRIEFLY EXPLAIN ABOUT YOUR FAMILY? WHAT IS YOUR FATHER? HOW MUCH ANNUAL INCOME YOUR FATHER IS GETTING? WHAT IS YOUR MOTHER? HOW MUCH ANNUAL INCOME YOUR MOTHER IS GETTING? IS THERE ANY OTHER INCOME SOURCES?**

**ANS.** My father is a Business Man / Chief Engineer in APGENCO and he is getting an annual income of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_.

In addition with my mother is working as Teacher/Business Women and getting an annual income of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_.

(Ex. My mom is a homemaker and she owns agricultural lands on her name from that she is getting an annual Income of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_)

(In case Business, What type of Business it is? What is the turnover of the Business? How many Employers are working? Etc.,)

Some Sources of Income are:

1. Salary
2. Business
3. Agriculture
4. Rents
5. Interest
6. Dividends
- Etc.

### **49. HOW YOU ARE GETTING THIS MUCH OF MONEY IN THIS SHORT TIME? Or EXPLAIN THE BANK STATEMENT? YOUR PASSBOOK SHOWS THAT A LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY HAS RECENTLY BEEN DEPOSITED? HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN THAT?**

#### **WHY IS YOUR PASSBOOK REFLECTING RECENT TRANSACTIONS?**

**ANS.** I am showing here the Income sources of my parents of this year, but from last 20-years onwards they are getting their annual incomes similarly like this, they spend all of their annual incomes in

1. Purchasing of Houses
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2. Plots
3. Flats
4. Bonds
5. Invest for higher Interest
6. In my Father's Business
7. In further expansion of my fathers business Etc.,

Now, it's time for my education, they collect few of their savings before and deposited into my account to pay my

1. Tuition Fee
2. Living Expenses
3. To and fro flight tickets
4. Little bit for my personal expenses there until I back to India

**50. BRIEFLY EXPLAIN ABOUT YOUR HOUSE? HOW MANY SERVANTS IN YOUR HOUSE?**

**ANS.** Tell about your house in a good manner. Ex: Bungalow, Duplex, Triplex, 3-Bedroom house etc.

My House is Big Individual House with well-Furnished and it consists of Four Bed-Rooms, Big Hall, Kitchen, and One Reading Room.

Two servants are in my house, one for my father, car driver, another is for cleaning and helping to my mother in kitchen.

**51. WHAT ARE YOU HOBBIES?**

**ANS.** Try to say local hobbies like Watching Telugu Movies etc.

**52. IN CASE OF AGRICULTURE WE ARE SHOWING AS THE MAJOR SOURCE OF INCOME, WHAT TYPE OF CROPS GENERALLY YIELDING ON YOUR FIELDS?**

**ANS.** Examples: Cotton, Mirchi / Chillies, Paddy, Mango / Grape Gardens, Fisher / Prawn Tanks etc.

**53. WHY ARE YOU TAKING EDUCATION LOAN?**

**ANS.** Our Govt. of India / RBI encourage the students; those are going for higher education either in India / Abroad by giving Education Loans with less Interest Rate. That is the reason my parents are planning to utilize the facilities provided by RBI.

**54. WHO WILL REPAY THE EDUCATION LOAN?**

**ANS.** My Parents.

**55. WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO STAY IN USA?**

**ANS.** In University Hostels / Accommodation.

**56. WHAT IS YOUR FATHER'S ANNUAL INCOME?**

**57. WHAT IS YOUR MOTHER'S ANNUAL INCOME?**

**58. IN CASE OF BUSINESS, WHAT TYPE OF BUSINESS IT IS?**

**59. WHAT IS THE TURN\_OVER OF BUSINESS?**

**60. HOW MANY EMPLOYERS ARE WORKING UNDER YOUR FATHER?**

**ANS.** 56. 57. 58. 59. 60.

My Father is a Business Man/Chief Engineer in APGENCO and he is getting an Annual Income of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_.

In addition with my Mother is working as Teacher/Business Women and getting an Annual Income of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_.

(Ex. My Mom is a House wife and she owns Agricultural Lands on her name from the she is getting an annual income of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_)

(In case Business, What type of Business it is? What is the turnover of the Business? How many Employers are working? etc.)

Some Sources of Income are:

1. Salary

2. Business
3. Agriculture
4. Rents
5. Interest
6. Dividends Etc.,

Generally the turn-over of the business is like 30 to 40 time of annual business income of father / mother doing the business.

Number of employers depending on the nature of business.

**61. DO YOU HAVE SPONSERS OTHER THAN PARENTS? WHAT THEY ARE DOING? WHY THEY ARE SPONSERING?**

**ANS.** NO, Incase YES, Try to carry all related documents.

**62. WHAT PROOF DO YOU HAVE THAT YOUR SPONSER CAN SUPPORT YOUR STUDIES?**

**ANS.** Family Relation ship proof is required, please carry related documents.

**63. DO YOU HAVE TO REPAY THIS MONEY TO YOUR PARENTS?**

**ANS.** No Need.

**64. ARE YOU DRIVING CAR?**

**ANS.** Say YES you know car driving, If not Say NO.

**65. WHAT IS THE EMI OF LOAN WHICH YOU HAVE SHOWN? PARENTS RETIRED HOW WILL THEY PAY? (In case they were retired or they are going to retired soon)**

**ANS.** Education Loan Amount by Number of EMI'S plus little bit Interest is also added.

Ex: Education Loan Amount: 10-L, 60 EMI'S i.e. 17.5 K/Month

Incase Parents Retired, You are showing the same, I will repay after I got my job when I back to India.

**66. WHAT IS THE COURSE FEE?**

**ANS.** From I 20, see left side down in Barcode page, i.e. one year Tuition Fee but you need to tell per year.

Total means multiplied by two times.

**67. HOW MUCH IS THE LIVING EXPENSES THROUGHOUT YOUR COURSE?**

**ANS.** From I 20, see left side down in Barcode page, i.e. one year Living Exp. but you need to tell per year.

Total means multiplied by two times.

**68. WHAT IS THE TOTAL COST OF YOUR EDUCATION IN USA?**

**ANS.** From I 20, see left side down in Barcode page, i.e. one year Total Exp. but you need to tell per year.

Total means multiplied by two times.

**69. WHY ARE YOU INVEST THIS MUCH OF MONEY,**

**ANS.** Money is not a big factor for me, because my parents are well-off and well planed for my education.

IT IS ALREADY AVAILABLE IN INDIA WITH VERY LESS COST?

**70. HOW MUCH READY AVAILABLE MONEY YOU HAVE?**

**ANS.** It is mentioned in your CA report i.e. SB A/C + FDR + Education Loan + PF + Etc.,

**71. ARE YOUR SPONSERS PAY I.T. AND HOW MUCH?**

**ANS.** It is mentioned in ITR'S of Father & Mother Latest ITR'S.

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**72. WHAT IS YOUR TOTAL FAMILY INCOME?**

**ANS.** It is mentioned in your CA report i.e. Incomes of both Father and Mother.

**73. IN CASE OF YOU ARE ONLY CHILD TO YOUR PARENTS, WHO WILL TAKE CARE OF YOUR PARENTS HERE, DURING YOUR STUDY PERIOD?**

**ANS.** They are not retired at, After Completion of my Masters I will back to India and settled and stay back with them and take care of them.

**74. HOW YOU ARE PLAN TO REPAYMENT ALL YOU SPEND TO THIS COURSE?**

**ANS.** Repayment by my parents only. No need of repayment by me.

**75. WHO WERE THE PREPARING ALL THESE DOCUMENTS?**

**ANS.** Me and My Parents and My Fathers Auditors.

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**COMEBACK (10% Weightage)**

**79. WHAT ARE YOUR FUTURE PLANS AFTER COMPLETION OF STUDIES?**

**ANS.** First, back to India and settled in a good company with good position with good pay package.

Second, I well attachment with my parents and I want to stay back with my parents.

Third, I want to take care of properties developed by my parents and my ancestors.

Fourth, I want to get married after I am settled in a good position.

Or

Once I complete my MS I would like to work for a US company for a year or two in my OPT period and gain some additional expertise and then take decision from there on. But I will probably come back to my family here if I get a job in one of the better Companies here.

**80. LIST OF COMPANIES IN INDIA WHERE YOU ARE GOING TO GET OPPORTUNITIES.**

**ANS.** List out the names of the companies in India in you field of specialisation in Masters.

**81. WHAT ARE THE POSITIONS THEY ARE GOING TO OFFER IN THOSE COMPANIES?**

**Or HAVE YOU RESEARCHED YOUR CAREER PROSPECTS?**

**ANS.** Senior Programmer / R & D Engineer / Team Lead / Junior Consultant, etc.

**82. WHY I AM GOING TO GIVE YOU THE VISA?**

**ANS.** First, I am the prospective student and did a lot of hard work in getting good % marks and good score report,

Second, my parents are well-off and well planed for my education.

Third, I have clear intensions in come back to India after my studies, I explained you already where exactly

I have opportunities in India.

**83. IF I AM REJECTING YOU THE VISA, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?**

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**ANS.** You people never reject the visa to those who submit required documents, I submitted to all the required documents, please verify each and every document and sanctioned my VISA.

**84. WHAT WILL YOU DO AFTER COMING BACK TO HOME?**

**ANS.** Settled in a good job with good position and take care of my parents, take care of my family assets and I want to get married.

**85. DO YOU INTEND TO WORK IN USA AFTER COMPLETION OF YOUR STUDIES?**

**ANS.** NO

**86. HOW MUCH MONEY CAN YOU EARN AFTER COMPLETION OF STUDIES?**

**ANS.** Six Lakhs per Annum.

**87. AFTER FIVE YEARS WHAT IS YOUR POSITION?**

**ANS.** Project Manager / Start my Company.

**88. IF GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK IN USA AFTER COMPLETING YOUR STUDIES, WILL YOU SETTLE THERE OR COME BACK TO INDIA?**

**ANS.** Back to India

**89. HAVE YOU HIRED ANY CONSULTANT FOR ADMISSION AND VISA PROCESSING?**

**ANS.** NO

**90. HOW CAN YOU CONVINCE ME THAT YOU ARE NOT A PROSPECTIVE IMMIGRANT?**

**ANS.** First, I am the prospective student and did a lot of hard work in getting good % marks and good score report.

Second, my parents are well-off and well planned for my education.

Third, I have clear intentions to come back to India after my studies, I explained you already where exactly I have opportunities in India.

**91. IN CASE CAMPUS SELECTIONS, YOU ARE SELECTED THEN?**

**ANS.** I choose the companies those having centers in India.

**A FEW THINGS YOU NEED TO KEEP IN MIND:**

- List of Companies
  - Place
  - Location of the University
  - Few sentences about the University
  - List of Positions in those companies
  - Geographical Location
  - Few Professors Names in Department
  - Roles in those positions.
  - Climatic Conditions
  - Few research topics in your area
  - Pay Packages
  - Range of Temperatures
  - Companies Tied-ups with University
  - For which the Place is Famous
  - Course Curriculum
  - Companies in & around the City
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## **15 F1 Visa Interview Tips**

1. Wish them with a smile once your turn comes.
2. Remember 1st impression is the best impression.
3. Always answer to the point.
4. Be very polite and respectful to the VO.
5. Even when you stand in the queue they do observe your body language, be confident, calm and cool.
6. Be loud enough while speaking, this shows you are confident.
7. Listen properly what the VO says before answering him/her.
8. People always have a tendency to get negative thoughts about your honesty if you are nervous. At least don't show the nervousness in your voice and face when you stand in front of the VO. And VOs are specially trained with human psychological behaviors, they can make out very quickly.
9. Neatly arrange all your documents
10. Though you feel nervous, look & sound confident in your voice and body language.
11. You should have the proof for each and everything you present the VO.
12. For example: Having 6 yrs of experience I had got a waiver for both GRE & TOEFL, hence I have not written those exams. When the VO asked me why is this waiver especially for you? I presented her the email print out I had taken for the waiver which I received from the University grad admission dept & the Director of the MS SE dept of San Jose State University and explained that same.
13. Its good if you have written proof of communication with your university professors regarding the courses, university facilities etc so that you can present the VO with better proofs.
14. Ultimately it is how you present yourself in just few minutes matters whether you get your visa or not. Luck apart, but you can try your level best.
15. I think you should not lose your heart, but try again with better preparation and document proofs. Remember each visa interview will be a fresh one, they might not ask you the same questions, hence be prepared the worst.

**ALL THE BEST!**

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