

MU SIGMA (OFF-CAMPUS)

Position: Trainee Decision Scientist.- Jignesh Gavale(BE EXTC)

The off campus process was held in NMIMS, Vile Parle with around 850 people in attendance from different colleges in various parts of the country including IITs.

There were around 7 rounds:

1. Aptitude test.
2. Problem Solving.
3. Case Study.
4. Video Synthesis.
5. GD.
6. 2 Interviews.

➤ Aptitude:

There were 15 quants+ logical questions. The test was conducted by cocubes.com. I didn't even clear the aptitude during the on campus process. It's fairly easy though. Practicing from R.S Agarwal for Quants would suffice. Attempt at least 13 questions. I think the cut-off was around 10. Around 450 students passed this barrier.

➤ Problem Solving:

A pseudo code along with two tables was provided. We had to get the output by referring the two tables and the code. It was easy too. Although I messed up in reading the code and got the answer wrong. (30 minutes)

➤ Case Study:

Some details were provided about a pharmaceutical company. We were expected to write down 3 questions that we deemed important regarding the details provided. Also we were to ask 3 additional questions that would give additional details about the problem statement. (10 minutes).

These two rounds were combined and then there was an elimination. Around 100 people cleared these rounds.

➤ Video Synthesis:

A video featuring Mr.DhirajRajaram (CEO of Mu Sigma) was screened. In the video, he explained the core values of Mu Sigma. We were expected to synthesise the video. Write down three main points about what we got from the video.

➤ Group Discussion:

Our GD was initially based on the video itself. After 10 minutes, our monitor gave us a new topic- Iron Man vs. Super Man. 3 from 8 people were selected. The selection was based on the quantity as well as quality of the matter you spoke.

Again, these 2 rounds were combined and then an elimination. At least 50 cleared this round.

➤ 1st Interview:

There are scores given to you based on your performance in each round. So after the GD round, if you pass a certain threshold, you'd have only one interview with the senior HR. I didn't, so had to go through 2 interviews. My 1st interview lasted for 65-70 minutes. First question was tell me about yourself. I was asked a great deal of Fermi questions. For e.g.

1. No. of crows in Mumbai?
2. No. of swifts sold in Mumbai.
3. No. of coffees sold by CCD in a day.

Also three graphs were given to me and I were to provide two hypothesis based on the graphs only.

Another question asked to me was that how you would fix the ticket price for a play in an auditorium.

The other half of my interview was based entirely on my resume. Questions about my experience as the Head of Finance for IETE and Udaan'14 were asked. I had to tell him in great details about what did I actually do. What did I learn from my experience and would you recommend your juniors taking up such positions.

Then I was asked who's my idol (2 actually)? Why?

This was an elimination round. Around 15 people were eliminated.

➤ Final Interview:

I had to wait for 3 hours for the final interview confirmation. The last interview was a kind of a formality I suppose. Questions like tell me about yourself and my hobbies were asked. Then again resume based questions were asked. I was asked to ask some questions about the company. (Always ask). I asked two questions and I was done.

Received the letter of intent and Mu Sigma T-shirt after a never ending wait of 15 minutes. : P

At least 25 from 850 were placed in the process.

Some Key points:

1. Practice Quants and Logical questions more.
2. Learn and practice at least 1 programming language proficiently.
3. There must be enough points in your resume that could be discussed in the interview. (Extracurricular activities and your academic projects)

And yes, before signing off, I was rejected by around 25 companies (in the final round by 2-3 companies). So never give up and hope for the best.

All the Best. ☐