



Video interview tips

Before you begin, consider your...

- **Preparation techniques:** Treat this like an in-person interview. You can expect that interview questions will be fairly typical, and we want to get a better understanding of who you are and your interest in the program. The questions are primarily behavioral and open ended, although we may ask you about projects or experiences.
- **Presentation:** Wear professional dress and practice potential responses so you can deliver your answers clearly and concisely. Review common interview questions and gain feedback from someone you trust on your presentation and delivery before your interview.
- **Interview location:** Be thoughtful about where you conduct your interview! Consider locations that do not have a distracting backdrop, an echo, or are in a high traffic area. Also, make sure you have a strong Wi-Fi connection. Be sure to tell others the timeframe you will be completing your interview (~20 – 30 minutes).

During your interview...

- **Use your time wisely:** You will have 30 seconds to prepare a response and up to three minutes to respond. Use those 30 seconds to consider what points you want to include in your response. We are unable to ask any follow up questions so be sure to consider how or why you did or would do something. You can expect to use at least 1:45 per response.
- **Be flexible:** You may not have prepared for each question but try to respond to the best of your ability. Remember that this is our chance to get to know you, so try to relate this as much as you can in each response. Also, we know that there is a chance you could be interrupted, but be prepared to keep going! We want to see you work through any distractions that could arise to the best of your ability.
- **Notes are okay:** While we don't want a scripted response, it is okay to write down points you would like to touch on. That said, keep your responses as natural as possible and avoid reading straight from the page like a script.
- **Be yourself!:** We look for students who are eager to learn, demonstrate strong intellectual curiosity, are team players, and have a genuine interest in our programs. Take the time to show us these attributes!

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