

Potential Interview Questions/Strategies

The following are potential interview questions. Each question may launch a series of related questions. The goal is to ask questions that will elicit samples of the applicant's skills (interpersonal and clinical), "psychological mindedness," learning potential, and match with our program.

- ❑ Tell me about a therapy case that you feel went well.
 - ❑ Has that patient had psychological testing? What might you expect to see in his/her MMPI-2 or Rorschach or ... (depending on applicants testing experience)
 - ❑ What did you learn from that case, either about yourself or certain psychological problems, methods, etc...?
 - ❑ What ethical issues came up in the course of this therapy?
 - ❑ What diversity issues came up in the course of this therapy?
- ❑ Tell me about a therapy case that had a less successful outcome or that was difficult for you.
 - ❑ Has that patient had psychological testing?
 - ❑ What might you expect to see in his/her MMPI-2 or Rorschach or ... (depending on applicants testing experience)
 - ❑ What did you learn from that case, either about yourself or certain psychological problems, methods, etc...?
 - ❑ What ethical issues came up in the course of this therapy?
 - ❑ What diversity issues came up in the course of this therapy?
- ❑ What type of patients do you enjoy working with? What do you find enjoyable about working with this type of patient?
- ❑ What type of patients do you have difficulty working with? Tell me about that...
- ❑ Tell me about a situation that brought up an ethical dilemma for you as a psychologist and how you handled that situation
- ❑ What do you consider your strengths as a psychologist?
- ❑ What do you consider areas of weakness or areas requiring further development as a psychologist? (note: strengths are no longer in the APPIC application).
- ❑ What type(s) of supervision have you found to work well for you?
- ❑ Tell me about a supervision experience that did not work so well for you. What did you learn from that experience?
- ❑ Discuss research interests/experience/papers.
- ❑ If not clear from application:. How does this internship fit your goals and experiences? What do you hope to get out of this experience?
- ❑ Tell me about a piece of psychological work (book, paper, study, etc.) or a professor who has influenced your development or was inspirational.
- ❑ Discuss work sample (e.g., raw data, interpretation/conclusions in report).