Sample Medical School Interview Questions:

1. Tell me about yourself.
2. Tell me why you’re interested in medicine. Both, what inspired this interest and also what you’ve done to investigate the field and confirm your decision.
3. What experiences have you have in a medical or clinical setting?
4. What aspects of your life and experiences do you think make you a good candidate for medical school?
5. From what you understand about medical school, what do you think will be the biggest challenge for you?
6. What hesitations or reservations do you have about joining the medical profession?
7. Tell me about an experience you’ve had working on a team. What role do you tend to play when working on a team?
8. Tell me about a mistake you’ve made. (Be sure to explain what you learned from this mistake)
9. How do you deal with stress?
10. What has been your most rewarding experience working with others?
11. What do you think is the most pressing issue in healthcare today?
12. Would your plans to become a physician change if the U.S. moved to a universal healthcare system, similar to Canada?
13. How do you think the U.S. should address the physician shortage problem, particularly in primary care doctors in rural areas?
14. What is the difference between Medicare and Medicaid?
15. Why did you choose your major? How has it prepared you for a career in medicine?
16. What was your favorite class and why?
17. Discuss a book that you’ve recently read for pleasure. Why did this book interest you?
18. How do you spend your free time?
19. What do you consider to be your strengths and your shortcomings?
20. There are 1,000 applicants as qualified as you, why should we select you for our class?
21. Do you have specific goals in medicine? Where do you see yourself in 5-10 years?
22. What will you do if you don’t get into medical school?
23. Do you have any questions for us?