

Panel mock interview – January 2014

Questions :

Why medicine?

Tell me about your work experience?

Tell me about a time you worked in a team?

Tell me about a time you were a team leader?

What skills do you think are important in a doctor? (5)

Tell me about one weakness you possess?

What are the challenges you think you will face in medical school?

What do you do to relax, stress relief?

I see you live in Southall that has a large multi-cultural community. Why do you think it is important for doctors to be aware of different cultural/religious beliefs? What illnesses/diseases are prevalent in your area?

How important do you think research is in medicine/for a doctor?

Tell me about a recent article you read and why you found it interesting? Where/when was the study carried out? What are the implications of the study on the future of medicine?

I see you volunteer with SJA. Tell me more about it-how often do you go, what's your role, what do you do?

Did you face any difficulties whilst on public duties?

What was the last duty you went on? Football, who was playing?

Student's reflections:

Make sure you read your personal statement thoroughly and are prepared for any questions on it

Know about the university your applying for-read the prospectus

Talk slowly, and take a few seconds to breathe and think about/structure your answer.

Make sure you start off your answer with the strong points, don't leave it till last as the interviewer might cut you off and ask another question or get bored.

Don't forget to sell yourself and always link your skills back to medicine.

Always be yourself.