Sample Interview Questions

1. What do you consider to be one of your greatest achievements? Why?
2. What is the relevance of the liberal arts in the contemporary world?
3. Why did you choose to become a professor?
4. What kind of an institution would you consider an ideal match for your professional talents and interests?
5. What do you consider to be your particular strength(s)?
6. What areas would you like to improve during the next couple of years?
7. Why are you interested in X University? What specific thing attracted you to apply for this position?
8. What is your ideal mix between teaching, scholarship, and service?
9. Please tell us about your research interests and how you see that fitting in with the department’s/university’s mission/direction?
10. What are your teaching interests? What is your “teaching philosophy”?
11. What do you see as the most important issues or challenges in your discipline within the next few years?
12. What specific skills and talents would you bring to ____________?
13. What specifically do you do in your classes to enhance student learning?
14. Tell us how the mission statement of the University resonates with your work.
15. What are the most important skills and abilities new teachers must take into their classrooms?
16. What teaching strategies do you use in your classes? Why?
17. How do you assess the learning outcomes of your instruction?
18. What do you need to know about us to make sure we’re a good fit for you?
19. What kind of teaching experiences have you had with technology?
20. What experience do you have dealing with under-served, under-privileged students?
21. What experience do you have with developmental/remedial math?
22. What experience do you have teaching ____(subject matter)_______?
23. What would be your ideal/dream teaching schedule?
24. Is there anything else you would like us to know? Do you have any questions of us?