

8 Ways to Rock Your Virtual Interview!

Plan Your Environment

Choose a quiet room with a neutral background and good lighting. Looking for a place on campus? Our interview rooms in 131 MacKay can be reserved.

Test Your Equipment

Make sure your technology is in order before your interview starts. Test your internet or phone connection, along with your microphone and camera.

Look the Part

Dress for your virtual interview in the same manner that you would for an in-person interview. Avoid white, bright, or distracting colors and ill-fitting clothes. Dark solid colors like navy or black look great for virtual interviews.

Body Language Matters

Practice sitting up straight and maintaining eye contact before the interview. If you struggle with looking at yourself on screen, cover your picture up with a small post-it note or other piece of paper to minimize distractions.

Internet Etiquette

Is your username work appropriate? Is your profile picture professional? Ensure that your online brand is as professional as you are.

Get Your Best Angle

Most laptop cameras are just below face level. If your camera sits low on your face, prop your laptop securely with a textbook or two. That way, employers will see you at your best.

Plug In

Keep your device charged. In order to avoid your device losing power during an interview, make sure your device has enough power to last for at least two hours. When possible, plug it into an outlet to avoid any unplanned outages.

Practice Run

Practice makes perfect, and our office is happy to help you prepare for a virtual interview. Contact us at hscareers@iastate.edu or call 515.294.0626 to make an appointment for a mock interview.

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