

Questions Students Should Ask

Information/Mentorship Questions:

- How did you become interested in X practice area/subject matter?
 - Did you focus on X while you attended law school?
 - Do you recommend any courses or clinics that would enhance my understanding of X field?
 - Why did you choose this firm/organization over others?
 - What do you like most about this firm/practice group/organization?
 - What makes this firm/organization unique from the other similar firms/organizations?
 - What do you find most challenging about your practice?
 - What makes someone successful in this role?
 - Tell me about the firm/practice group/organization culture.
 - What are the biggest challenges facing the firm/organization right now?
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Questions about the work and working conditions:

- What kind of responsibilities would I have?
 - How is work distributed/how will I receive assignments?
 - What type of assignments do interns typically work on?
 - Will I work with the same partners/senior attorneys often or will I be assigned to projects with different partners/senior attorneys?
 - How will my work be evaluated? What kind of feedback can I expect to receive?
 - Is there a shadowing or training period?
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