Remote Interviewing Tips

Interviews conducted via video require an extra layer of preparation and a few unique strategies. Below are tips and resources to help you ace your remote interview.

Quick tips

• Prepare for your video interview with the same rigor and thoroughness you would apply to an in-person interview. Your usual interview preparation activates will serve you well.
• At least a day before your interview, set up your space with a clean, neutral background and good lighting for video conferencing (you'll find many resources to help you with this below). Make sure you test how you and your space look by opening a video chat program on your computer.
• Seeing yourself on screen while you are interviewing can be distracting if you are not accustomed to it. Spend some time video chatting with friends or family in the days prior to your interview to acclimate.
• Although you cannot control for unexpected background noise during the interview, try to schedule your interview time to avoid any noisy activity you can anticipate (such as planned construction, landscaping or road work outside your window).
• Ensure that you and your interviewer(s) have each other’s phone numbers so you can reach each other in case of technological issues.

Online Resources

• The Ultimate Guide to Acing Video Interviews
• Video Interviewing for Law Firm Associate Interviewees
• 12 Keys to One-Way Video Interview Success
• Tips for a Successful Interview
• Top Video Job Interview Tips
• How Not to Bomb Your Skype Interview
• LinkedIn Tips for Video Interviews