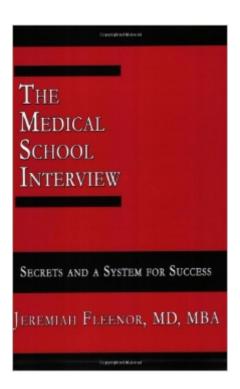
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The Medical School Interview: Secrets And A System For Success





Synopsis

The #1 factor for admission into medical school is the interview evaluation. "Current practices in admission interviews at U.S. medical schools." Academic Medicine 1991;66:408-12 This completely unique book will reveal the secrets of the admissions committee, what they are looking for and how to convince them that you will be the best medical student they have ever accepted. This information will benefit anyone facing a medical school interview, especially if you are a little unsure of your GPA or MCAT scores. You will learn a system that will prepare you for almost any question an interviewer throws at you. Learn how to fulfill your dream and succeed in the final and most important step of getting into medical school: the interview!

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This book isn't just a list of interview questions: it's a way of thinking and approaching the whole process, and a way to get into the interviewers' heads. After realizing that I had the power to conduct my interviews better, this book was like a coach and helped me keep my cool through difficult interviewers. This book is essential to the medical school application process and really offers something unique that I couldn't find in other books (at least, med school application books available at commercial bookstores like Borders). The author writes a column on the Studentdoctor website so if you'd like to sample the quality of his writing, I'd recommend checking his articles out there. I would recommend this with The Princeton Review Planning a Life in Medicine for maximum impact.

This book proved to be very helpful in my preparation for the Med. School interviews. The size of it, the structure, and the language of this book make it instrumental for those who are nervous and disoriented in their last days before the interview. Very good book!

I purchased this book as recommended by with my MSAR and am very glad I did. This book is a very great, concise review of exactly what adcoms are looking for. The author gives the layman an overview of the admissions process, and then goes into detail about what they expect. He gives you three basic principles that should prevail throughout the interview and puts the various components of the interview into those terms (ie you must impress upon the adcom your strenghts, values, and skills towards medicine, so when they ask you what color best represents your personality, you can frame your answer to express traits that portray a great doctor). Overall, he makes great use of his experience to give you both great insight, information, and sample Q&As that often come up in interviews. 5/5

Dr. Fleenor's book provides a clear, concise, plan for medical school interview success! As a PhD professor in a healthcare professional program, and someone who has served on admissions committees, reviewed hundreds of applications, and interviewed over a hundred students, I feel I can say that this is a resource no medical student applicant should be without. The strategies, if worked through and applied personally, will no doubt increase an applicant's confidence, communication, and poise as they navigate the admissions and interview process. The personal insights and unique stories in the "Tails from the Trail" will inspire many readers that they too can make their dream of becoming a physician a reality!

I tend to think if you worked through all the excersizes and prep in this book, you would be decidedly less apprehensive. Basically, its written by an MD who has been part of interviewing process for a number of years, and is just really sipmlifying and demystifying the process. As such, much of the information is basic, but if you didn't think of one of the questions he mentions, you'll be glad you prepared for it. Major points include a lot of inforation that helps you get into the head of your interviewer; and a good number of questions and issues you need to sit down and really think about, and plot out basic responses to; because its clear they will come up in some form. If you have already created a pretty comprehensive personal inventory of strengths and weaknesses you'll feel comfortable talking about, thoughts on various aspects of medicine (and your motivations and

abilities within it), vocational and avocational experiences which demonstrated certain qualities you are trying to broadcast, etc, etc... then you may not need it. Otherwise, this book may jog your memory to create much better prep materials for yourself, so you'll be much more grounded and comfortable when the interview comes.

This book describes a 3-step system for what an interview is about and how to master it. I personally did not find the 3-step system helpful, but I did gain a better understanding of what interviewers are looking for. Ultimately the message was that your duty as an interviewee is to make it easy for the interviewers to see why they should pick you. It helps you realize that some questions asked by the interviewers are more to see how you think, especially under pressure, than to see what you'll answer.It's a fairly thin book, and is a quick read. It does provide some answer examples (both good and bad) to common questions; including the "tell me about yourself" question that everyone hates.

Great book with some great advice and tips to help prepare for interviews. Nothing ground breaking though. You read it and it's like, "ya that makes sense, how come I didn't think about it before". Common sense stuff but sometimes it takes reading it or seeing things from another angle to have a clear picture in your head

This seems like a great little book. It explain very strategic and practical ways to prepare (and practice) four your medical school interview. It also goes into the motivations of what the interviewers are really trying to find our throught the interview process. I gave it a 4 because I think it would have been nice to have something on the MMI (Multiple Mini-Interview) format. Perhaps it's too new a format and isn't used enough (yet) to justify giving it time. But since there is a fair amount of research showing it to provide a better indicator than the traditional format, I would hope that someone would include it at some point.

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