



Math Interview Questions

Describe your current research. Will you be continuing in this research track? What are your future research plans?

How would you involve graduate/undergraduate students in your research?

Where do your research strengths lie? (Quantitative/qualitative, etc.?) Why? What are your research weaknesses? And how will you improve?

Your current research requires more technological support than this institution is able to provide. How will you deal with this?

We see that you have done a lot of conference papers and presentations; we have limited professional development funds. How do you feel about that as a limiting factor? (Will you continue to go and pay your own way – stop doing research? Resent the limitations?)

Could you tell us about your dissertation?

What audiences are you addressing, what are the other hot books or scholars in your field, and how does your work compare with theirs?

What is the cutting edge in your field and how does your work extend it?

How will you go about revising your dissertation for publication?

What is the broader significance of your research? How does it expand our historic understanding, literary knowledge, humanistic horizons?

Can you explain the value of your work to an educated layperson?

Tell us how your research has influenced your teaching. In what ways have you been able to bring the insights of your research to your courses at the undergraduate level?

How would you balance your teaching duties and your own research plans?

If you were organizing a special symposium or conference on your research topic, which scholars would you invite?

In what journals do you expect to publish your research?

Would you be able to take on a graduate student immediately?

Tell us briefly what theoretical framework you used in developing your research?

If you were to begin it again, are there any changes you would make in your dissertation?

What facilities do you need to carry out your research?