

Interview Questions Controller

Direct financial activities, such as planning, procurement, and investments for all or part of an organization.



Strategic Planning and Organization

- How well has your business/facility/group performed? How did you contribute to this?
- What do you see as the financial strengths and weaknesses in our industry?
- What are the drivers of a successful business? What metrics do you review to know if you're meeting your goals?
- Tell me a time when you reallocated resources due to a shrinking budget.
- How would you describe the purpose of accounting within the larger framework of an organization?
- What do you do to make sure you maintain up-to-date knowledge of accounting software and practices?
- How do you schedule your day? How do you handle interruptions?

Leadership

- Some people consider themselves to be "big picture people" and others are "detail oriented". Which are you? Give an example of a time when you displayed this.
- What are some characteristics you look for when hiring your staff?
- How do you delegate work?
- Tell me a time you had to motivate your team to complete a complex project.
- What challenges have occurred while you were coordinating work with other units, departments, and/or divisions?

Accounting Knowledge and Technology

- What ERP / Accounting platforms have you used? Have you ever updated an existing platform or implemented a new one?
- What do you consider first when putting together a budget?
- Tell me about the most challenging financial project you have ever worked on.
- Tell me about control policies that you have implemented to improve overall financial performance and ensure legal compliance.
- You discover a discrepancy between the total assets on a balance sheet and the total liabilities and shareholders' equity. What is your process for investigating this discrepancy?
- How did you reduce overall expenses in your previous employment?

Communication

- Describe the reports or presentations you have developed for executive teams.
- Tell us a time you had to deliver bad news to the executive team.



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