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## Full Intern Seminar Interview Questions

1. Tell us about yourself and why you chose a career in education.
2. Think about your strengths and weaknesses as they relate to teaching. What personal strengths do you find especially helpful? In which areas do you need improvement?
3. Describe your approach to classroom management.
4. How do you motivate your students to become active learners in your classroom?
5. If you witness a student bullying another student in the hallway, how will you respond?
6. How will you integrate technology into your teaching instruction?
7. Describe your experience working with diverse learners such as ELL and Special Education students.
8. Describe your most remarkable experience with cultural diversity in your classroom.
9. How will you address your students' different learning styles?
10. If most of the students in your class failed an assignment, test, or project, how would you respond?
11. Other than failing an exam yourself, tell us about a time when you experienced failure and what you learned from this experience.
12. As a first year teacher/coach, what do you think will be your biggest challenge?
13. What type of literacy strategies do you use or plan to use in your classroom?
14. How will you implement elements of STEM into your classroom?

15. What will you do when you have third or fourth graders who cannot read?
16. How will you deal with a "difficult" parent?
17. What do you like most and dislike most about teaching? Why?
18. When you go into a classroom as an observer, what are you looking for? Or looking at? What catches your attention?
19. Let's pretend it's almost the first day of school and you are going to be a \_\_\_\_\_ grade teacher. How would you prepare your classroom?
20. What conditions do you think need to be present at a site in order for you to have a positive impact as a teacher/coach?
21. How will you motivate parents to become involved in the classroom and in their child's education?
22. What can you contribute to support our school community/teaching team?
23. What do you find to be the most difficult aspect of student (intern) teaching?
24. In what ways do you assess and evaluate students?
25. What are your plans for future professional development and self-improvement?
26. Since you enjoy teaching and/or coaching, how will I know this when I observe your class/team?
27. What techniques do you use to teach besides direct instruction?
28. If you walked into one of our classrooms and we told you there were no manuals, how would you survive or could you survive and increase student achievement? Convince me.
29. How do you handle a student who is a consistent behavioral problem?
30. What is your understanding of Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) and what experience have you had in this collaborative process?

31. What do you include in your student learning objectives?
32. If you have a child in your classroom who has a difficult time with transitions, how do you accommodate this child?
33. What strategies do you use to make curriculum meaningful and relevant to students?
34. Tell us about a time when a student really got what you were hoping they would. Describe this "Ah HA" moment.
35. How do you plan to engage yourself in the greater school community?
36. What do you include when writing learning objectives?
37. How would you create and promote a safe atmosphere in your classroom?
38. Describe a good lesson you've planned and implemented. Explain why it was good.
39. Describe a time when a lesson was not going well. What did you do about it?
40. What sets you apart from other individuals we are interviewing? Why should we hire you?