### General:

- How did you get into (name of industry)?
- What is your work/life balance like?
- What are some of the recurring qualities you notice amongst your colleagues?
- Why (name of firm)?
- What was the recruitment process like at (name of firm)?
- What does a typical work-day look like for you? Does it vary a lot?
- What is the mentorship like at (name of firm)?
- What experiences from your college career do you think are most valuable or applicable now?
- What are the most important soft and hard skills needed to be a good (name of their position)?
- What is your favorite part about your job?
- What is the company culture like at (name of firm)?
- What prompted the shift from (one industry/job/firm) to (another industry/job/firm)? What is the single most important factor for success in your role?
- Do you have any recommendations on how to stand out in the application process?
- What are some DEI initiatives (name of firm) has in place?
- What are some ESG initiatives (name of firm) has in place?
- What are the things that excite you in your day-to-day work and on the contrary, what do you find mundane?
- Do you find that you often feel inspired and motivated by the people you work with? What is something you wish you knew about your role coming into the position?

#### **Investment Banking:**

- Do you have a particular exit strategy in mind from IB?
- What stood out to you about (name of firm) over other firms?
- What has led to you to stay at this firm/stay in IB?
- What are some of the key characteristics you notice in a great analyst at (name of firm)?
- What does the mobility within the firm look like? How often do people come in and out of roles?

What has been your favorite deal you have worked on and why was it your favorite?
 What are some current macroeconomic trends you have been tracking?
 What are some advantages of working at a (boutique/bulge bracket firm)?
 Do you find that there is a lot of versatility in your day-to-day work or is it more specialized?

- What were some of the resources you used to prepare for your technical interviews?
- What is the training process like at (name of firm)?
- How did you manage the steep learning curve as an analyst?

#### Asset Management:

• What are some recent trends you have noticed that have influenced investment requirements or decisions?

- What are some of the resources you use to keep up with market updates and macroeconomic events that may influence investment decisions?
- What does the organizational structure look like at (name of firm)? Do people tend to stay there for a while or is there more of a quick employee turnover?
- What are the different investment solutions you offer to clients, and what are the benefits of each?

## **Corporate Finance:**

- What does the mobility within the firm look like?
- What was it like (coming in as a lateral or moving up the ranks) to get to your position?
- What are some examples of important decisions you face on a daily basis? What are some of the crucial soft and hard skills necessary for your role?

# **Consulting:**

What has been your favorite project/engagement you have worked on?
 How long do the engagements typically last?

- Do you have a particular exit strategy in mind from consulting?
- What did you do to prepare for case interviews?
- How does the staffing process for the engagements at (name of firm) work?
  How many people are typically staffed on a project at a time?
- Have you seen any of your colleagues receive a job offer from a client they had previously worked on a project for?
- Can you give me a brief overview of how you approach an engagement from beginning to end?
- What are the different consulting divisions at (name of firm) and what is each of their main areas of focus?

• What is it like to present your recommendations to a manager or executive? Has there ever been anytimes when you kind of had to adjust your approach on the spot? • What parts of the job do you see staying in a virtual format?