

# Sample Application Form Questions

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## **BDO Simpson Xavier**

- Do you anticipate achieving a 2.1 or above for your degree (or have you already achieved this result)?
- Please explain circumstances surrounding any fail or pass results you have achieved during your time at college
- Choosing from any vacation/part time/full time employment describe a problem (scenario) that you encountered, how you overcame it and what you learned from the experience:
- Please describe what influenced your decision to apply to the accountancy profession. What other careers have you considered?
- Explain how your personal qualities and abilities could help you to become a successful business adviser
- Why would you choose a career with BDO Simpson Xavier above other business & financial advisers?
- Please list any positions of responsibility (eg, class prefect, team captain, etc).
- Please give any additional information which you consider relevant (e.g. achievements, awards, etc).
- Please give details of
  - Hobbies & Interests
  - Club/Society membership
  - Brief details of recent travel abroad that lasted for 4 weeks or longer

## **Deloitte:**

- Please list all subjects taken in each year including final year, indicating any subjects repeated and the results for each attempt. Official confirmation of examination results will be required at a later date.
- Please describe interests and leisure pursuits including positions of responsibility
- Please indicate any full-time, part-time or voluntary positions held.
- Why are you choosing accountancy/taxation/consulting as a career?
- Tell us about a time you worked within a group. Describe your role within that group and outline the end result
- When considering an application we like to gain a broad appreciation of your abilities and achievements. Please provide us with any further information about yourself that you feel will help us with our assessment

## **KPMG:**

- What has prompted you to apply for a position with KPMG? Include in your answer experiences or people who have influenced you in making this decision.

- Describe a position of responsibility you have held, the challenges you faced and what you learned from the experience.
- Using a company of your choice, explain why you believe it has been successful or unsuccessful
- Describe any personal interests you have pursued. Which has given you the greatest sense of achievement?

#### **PwC**

- Briefly describe a situation where you set out to achieve something and reached your goal. (max 250 words)
- Briefly describe a situation in which you had to influence people and overcome objections to your viewpoint. (max 250 words)
- Why do you think you are suited to the career you have chosen? (max 250 words)
- How do you see your career developing over the next five years? (max 250 words)
- Please list your main extra-curricular interests and activities. Outline, where appropriate, your personal contribution to them and any relevant achievements obtained. (max 250 words)
- If there were any special circumstances during your secondary or third level education which resulted in you obtaining lower grades than expected, please indicate them here. (max 250 words)
- You will be required to list the subjects covered on your course including projects on the next page. All exams must be included
- *School Results*: Full results needed
- Please give full details of any work experience, starting with the most recent. Indicate whether it was full-time, part-time, vacation work or an industrial placement

#### **Kerry Group:**

- **Interests and Leisure Activities:** Include hobbies, sports, travel, membership of clubs, societies. Provide examples of any positions of responsibility you have held at school/college/university, etc (max 150 words)\*
- Please summarise your career aspirations and your reasons for applying for a position within the Food Industry. What research have you done for your application? What else do you want to know and why?
- Describe a time when you were proactive in seeking responsibility for a task or activity. What were you trying to achieve? How did you know you were doing the right thing?
- Describe a time when you simply had too much to do and you needed help. What did you do? How did you feel at the time?
- What else would you like to us to know about you in support of your application? (Max 100 words)

#### **Musgrave**

- Please give details of your employment history including dates, employer and responsibilities. (100 words or less)
- Please give information on any 'gap' years you have taken and what you did during this time. (100 words or less)
- Please write a short paragraph on your career aspirations together with your strengths and development needs in relation to these aspirations.

- Please outline your non-academic achievements, giving an indication of your level of involvement, including any positions of responsibility. For example: hobbies, interests, sports, clubs etc.
- Please state why the career choice you have selected is appropriate for you and why you have selected Musgrave.
- Please state what are you doing now
- What is it, we at Musgrave will like about you?