

# University of Minnesota 2020 Employer Survey Results

Here's what 749 U of MN employer partners told us about students' job search interview performance.

**99%** of employers interviewed rate UMN students' quality of interviewing as either **average or above average**.

The most common interview questions asked are **behavioral-based**.



■ UNSTRUCTURED / IMPROVISED (STRENGTHS, WEAKNESSES, GOALS, ETC.) ■ BEHAVIORAL-BASED (TELL ME ABOUT A TIME WHEN...)  
▨ CONTENT SPECIFIC / TECHNICAL ■ CASE OR SITUATIONAL

The top 3 factors that impact hiring decisions during an interview are:

Communications Skills, 537

Confidence, 530

Attire, 524

## Top 5 interview mistakes made by UMN candidates:

1. Do not provide specific examples
2. Lack of research on the organization
3. Lack of preparation
4. No questions to ask of recruiter
5. Arriving late

