Sample questions to ask the Professional in Residence during individual advising sessions:

Resume/Cover letters

- Would you mind taking a look at my resume/cover letter and giving me some advice?
- I’m not sure how to phrase ____ on my resume/cover letter? Would you mind helping me?
- Should I leave this experience on my resume or take it off?
- What general tips do you have for resumes and cover letters?

Interviewing

- What are some common interview questions?
- How do I answer the question: “What is your weakness?”
- What should I do to prepare for an interview?
- What are some dos and don’ts for interviewing?
- What should I bring to an interview?
- How should I dress for an interview?
- Should I email my thank you note or send in the postal mail?
- What questions should I ask in the interview?
- What kind of research should I do on the company?
- What can I do in the interview to make myself stand out?
- What should I bring to an interview?

Internships/Jobs

- I have an interest in _______(insert career field). I’ve already identified some organizations. Do you have other organizations that you would suggest?
- What professional associations should I join?
- What job search websites should I use to identify job/internship opportunities?
- At my internship/job, I am not given enough work to do, and often end up doing homework. What should I do in this situation?
- At my internship, I’m only given very basic tasks to complete, how can I ask for more substantive work?
- How can I make the most of my internship? How can I determine if I can get hired on a full-time basis?
- What should I be doing at my internship to help to prepare me for the job market?
- What can I do to make myself stand out from other interns/employees?
- I’d like to move to a different city after graduation. What advice can you give me on how to find a job from afar?
Academics

- What classes should I take to prepare myself for my career?
- What was your favorite class and why?
- What was your most useful class and why?
- Should I do a double major? Why or why not?
- How much do academics matter when looking for a job?
- Did you have a faculty mentor?

Graduate/Law School

- Did you attend graduate school? If so, where? Why did you pick that program?
- Should I choose graduate school or law school?
- Should I wait a year before attending or go straight from school?
- What characteristics should I look for in a graduate/law school?