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Possible questions to ask:

- How did you decide on this profession as your career?
- Can you tell me what skills, knowledge, abilities, and academic training are required for this type of work?
- Would you recommend graduate or professional school directly after completion of undergraduate work, sometime in the future, or not at all?
- What are some advantages and disadvantages to this type of work?
- What are the rewards of this type of work?
- What are some roadblocks or frustrations in this type of work?
- Can you describe a typical workday for me?
- How much flexibility are you granted regarding dress, hours of work, vacation schedules, etc.?
- What types of advancement opportunities are available?
- Can you suggest any professional organizations for students who are considering this type of work?
- How would I best acquire the necessary skills to perform this job?
- Does your company/organization have a formalized internship program? If so, what is the procedure to apply?
- Do you have any advice about how I might look for an entry-level job in this area?
- What might be the best way to approach prospective employers?
- What is the future outlook for this type of work?
- Can you provide me with some typical job titles in this field?
- What do you see as the most important requirement or skill for success in this field?
- How did you acquire your current position?
- If you were to resign your position tomorrow, what other type of work would attract you and why?
- If you could change anything regarding your career path, what would it be and why?

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