

## Summer Camp Instructor Interview Tips & Tricks

### Do Your Research

We don't expect you to know everything about life at nature summer camp, but having some knowledge will set you up for a great start. You need to know what you're letting yourself in for, so make sure you have a good read of the [Summer Camp](#) page of our website and get to know what your typical day at camp would be. It's totally normal to have lots of questions about how the process works and what it's like at camp at Douglas-Hart Nature Center. Write down any questions you have for the interview.

### Know Your Skills

Before the interview, think about your skills and qualifications. You might not think they're relevant, but you'll be surprised about what camps are looking for. Whether it's babysitting, playing sports, or community work, camps want to know what fills your time. Camps also want to know about your passions, hobbies, and interests. Good at arts and crafts, sports, or something else? Awesome, make sure you tell us!

### Summer Camp Personal Interview Questions

Some of the questions you might be asked in your interview will give you a great opportunity to show why you would make the best summer camp instructor. Here are some questions you might want to think about for your interview:

- What made you want to apply to work at the Douglas-Hart Nature Center?
- What do you think is the purpose of our nature summer camps?
- Which of your interests and hobbies do you think would be helpful within this role?
- What experience do you have that would make you suitable for this position?
- Explain a time when you had to improvise. How did it make you feel?

### Show Your Personality

Being a great camp instructor is about more than skills, it's about personality too! Working at summer camp means you'll be helping to make a difference in the lives of excited children. Camps want to know they're hiring someone enthusiastic, passionate, and not afraid of getting stuck in and working hard. As well as highlighting your skills, make sure you're showing off your personality as best as you can too.

### Be Ready to Progress

Once you've aced your summer camp interview, you'll move on to the next stage and you'll be another step closer to being a summer camp instructor. The next step after your interview is attending a Douglas-Hart Foundation program to shadow an educator to get a better understanding of what camp will be like and to meet some of the children that might attend summer camps!

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