Common Questions asked by Students During a Mentoring Meeting

Program/education
- When I have elective hours to earn for my degree, are there any courses that might support my career goals?
- In addition to this major, are there any minors or certificates that would make me more marketable?
- What associations, groups, or clubs would you suggest I get involved with to better market myself?
- If I do not get into a professional health school, (i.e. medical, veterinary, optometry etc...) what are my other options with this degree?
- Is graduate school vital to pursue a “dream job” in this field or is a bachelor's degree sufficient?
- What percentage of students in this program at SLU go to graduate school?
- Do you have any ideas/suggestions for internships that would complement my degree?
- In addition to a degree, what other qualities are employers seeking for someone in this field?
- I have an interest in another major as well; what are the pros and cons of this major?
- What do you suggest I do to explore all of my interests?
- What are the benefits of studying abroad?
- I am really interested in getting a summer job that relates to my major. Do you have any suggestions on where I might look or go to get ideas?
- Can you give me more information on what I will be learning or doing in _____ class?

Job-related
- What is the starting salary for a recent graduate in this major?
- What are the latest job trends for those in this field of study?
- What are the different career paths I could pursue with this major?
- How should I build my resume and who should I ask for as references?
- What are the job placement rates for this program?
- How did you like being a ____ (nurse, OT, whatever your job interest is)?
- Why did you leave the profession to become a professor?
- What did you like best (pros/cons) about each setting you worked in (hospital, clinic, school, etc)?
- When did you realize that you were in the right field of study?