



## FOLLOWING POST-INTERVIEW ETIQUETTE NORMS

- Thank your interviewers for their time with a note or email immediately afterwards
- If the interview was organized by a recruiter or HR Manager, reach out to them after the interview to get and share feedback
- If you haven't heard from your interviewer within a week, send an email to check in and reaffirm your interest in the position
- Don't talk about your interview on social media

#### REFLECTING ON THE INTERVIEW

- Answer the questions "What went well?" and "What could have gone better?"
- Brainstorm and write down what you will do differently in any future interviews
- Write down all the questions you answered in the interview

#### **ACCEPTING A JOB OFFER**

- Before you accept, ask for some time to consider the offer
- Look at the compensation package and answer, "Is it what I want and deserve?"
- Revisit what you want with regards to salary, vacation time, or other factors
- If the offer meets your expectations, accept it
- Notify your professional network you have accepted a position and thank them
- Celebrate your success!



#### **NEGOTIATING A JOB OFFER**

- Ask for what you want in negotiations
- Be reasonable and polite with every request and response
- Avoid showing shock, disbelief, or disappointment
- Ask questions to understand the situation

#### **ASKING FOR MORE**

- If the offer is unacceptable to you,
  decide what parts are inadequate
- Ask for those things, all at once,
  indicating what is most important



#### PREPARING FOR A NEGOTIATION

- Preparation is key for negotiation
- Do some research on an employer review site or ask your professional network
- Get a customized salary estimate from www.salary.com
- Gauge the competitiveness of the offer with new information
- Asking for 10% more than the initial offer is reasonable

#### **COMMUNICATING THROUGHOUT A NEGOTIATION**

- If possible, negotiate in person
- As an alternative, speak over the phone or on a video call but avoid email
- Convey your excitement about the opportunity and continue to be friendly



Malhotra, Deepak. "How to Negotiate Your Job Offer - Prof. Deepak Malhotra (Harvard Business School)." YouTube. November 20, 2012. Accessed January 18, 2019.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=km2Hd\_xgo9Q&w=640&h=360.



#### OTHER NEGOTIATION CONSIDERATIONS

- When you negotiate, do it respectfully
- When you ask for something, explain why you think you deserve it
- Don't ask for things they can't give you
- Focus on the entire deal; be flexible about the individual components
- Give the company many ways to compensate you
- Convince the employer you're entering the negotiation in good faith

#### OTHER NEGOTIATION CONSIDERATIONS

- No doesn't always mean no
- Dealing with Deadlines: You may ask to get more time
- Identify difficult questions the employer could ask and prepare responses
- Address the motivation for a difficult question
- If you're asked a yes/no question, pick the one you know they want to hear and then explain any conditions
- Avoid making ultimatums or insinuating one



# EMPLOYER FEEDBACK AFTER A FAILED INTERVIEW

- A candidate may sue them depending on the reason they give
- Some employers refuse to respond to applicants who seek feedback
- Some employers only give neutral responses



#### **GETTING FEEDBACK AFTER AN INTERVIEW**

You're more likely to receive feedback after an interview if:

- You ask for it!
- You ask for it in the right way
- You interviewed for an internal job opening
- You interviewed for an internship



#### **HOW TO ASK FOR INTERVIEW FEEDBACK**

You can ask for it over the phone or by email. You're more likely to get it if you:

- Act courteous
- Explain your motivation
- Respect the person's time
- Reassure the person you respect their decision

# **SAMPLE FEEDBACK REQUEST: PHONE**

I appreciate you taking the time to call me with your decision. I'm always looking for opportunities to learn and grow, and I want to be a stronger candidate should future opportunities open up at your company. Would you be willing to share some feedback about my interview performance and any advice you may have? I don't want to put you on the spot, so perhaps we could arrange a call at a time that is convenient for you. Please rest assured that I respect your decision, and I'm only seeking feedback to better myself.

## SAMPLE FEEDBACK REQUEST: EMAIL

Thank you for your email and kind words, and congratulations on finding a great candidate for the job opening. It was a pleasure meeting with your team and learning more about your company. It reaffirmed my interest in working with you in the future, and if there's anything I can do to improve my interview performance or overall candidacy, I'd value your thoughts.

#### **SAMPLE RESPONSE TO FEEDBACK**

"Thank you for taking the time to share your feedback and advice with me. I truly appreciate it, and I intend to implement your advice. Should there be a more suitable opportunity, I hope you will keep me in mind."

# No one can make you feel inferior without your consent

-Eleanor Roosevelt, Former Diplomat & First Lady