Sample Interview questions

Questions to learn about you
Tell me about yourself.
What are your strengths?
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What are your short and long range goals?
What do you see yourself doing in 5 years?
What courses have you found interesting in your curriculum?
What did you learn through your college experience?
What made you want to become an _____ architect, graphic designer, interior designer, planner etc?
What did you learn most from the Rome program? (or other international programs.)

Professional goals
What are your interests in being licensed?
When do you expect to be licensed?
Do you have interest in further education?
What do you want to be doing in 5 years?

Did you research the firm?
How did you learn about our firm?
What do you know about the work of our firm?
Why do you want to work for our firm?
What do you see as negative sides of a firm/office?

Your job search IQ
(Many students are not prepared for a search and have limited knowledge of the process. Employers often can hire them cheaper than a savvy job searcher.)
What do you know about the city?
Are you interviewing elsewhere?
Is there a problem relocating?
What do you know about the job market?

What are you finding the job market to be like?

Salary
What salary are you expecting?
At what level do you think you should start? (They are probably not interested in salary with this question but rather levels of work responsibility.)

Your work habits
How do you plan your daily work?
How do you like being supervised?
What inspires or fosters your creativity?
What project demonstrates your most creative work?
Where do you see yourself as a leader?

Flexibility and organization
Can you recall a time when important plans were changed. What did you do? Give an example of when delaying an important decision worked to your advantage.

Your talent
Please take about 20 minutes to present your portfolio.
Why did you wait so long after graduation to seek a position in your field?