

# BMS Recommended Questions to Ask a Potential Rotation Professor

*(We recommend you actually **write down** answers so you can refer back to this later)*

1. How many graduate students have you trained?
2. What positions do your past graduate students now hold?
3. How many years do your graduate students spend in your lab, on average?
4. How many graduate students would you consider recruiting this year? (how many graduate students do you **intend** to take on this year)
5. What is the size and makeup of your laboratory?
6. How often do your graduate students TA?
7. Do you have funds available to recruit new graduate students? On what projects? When does this funding run out?
8. Is/Are these projects more collaborative or individual in nature?
9. How would you describe your mentoring style and how available are you for your students?
10. How many hours per week do you expect your graduate students to work?
11. Are there specific hours of the day during which you expect your graduate students to be present in the lab?
12. What is your position on sending students to conferences?
13. What is your policy on vacation time?
14. Can you recommend current or previous trainees that I can speak with about working in your lab?
15. Do you expect your graduate students to mentor undergraduates in the lab?

*--Compiled by current graduate students*