Preparing for Consulting Interviews

Preparation for consulting begins in your first year. In addition to preparing for spring interviews in your chosen course of study, there is additional work to be done to prepare for next fall's consulting recruiting (this will benefit you this spring in functional recruiting as well). If you land an interview for one of the rare internships in consulting, this schedule can be accelerated. Here is a rough schedule of activities:

Spring Semester 2006

1. Read "Ace Your Case" by WetFeet.com (download instructions)
2. Practice Case #1 with Jerry *
3. Attend Case Workshop by Spartan Consulting (if offered)
4. Practice Case #2 with Jerry *

Fall Semester 2006

1. Attend Case Workshop by Spartan Consulting (normally an annual event)
2. Read "Crack the Case" by ConsultingCase.com (see Penni to check out a copy)
3. Practice Case #3 with Jerry *
4. Form case practice teams and practice with each other. Your goal is to have at least 10 practices before a REAL interview. Three can be with me as training exercises, the rest are in your practice team.

*visit or contact Penni at 517/432-3626 to schedule appointments. Also, I will be in my office most days the university is open during break.

Additional resources that may be beneficial are:

- other WetFeet guides
- "Case in Point" by Marc Cosentino (in P&G Career Resource Center, near Penni's desk)
- "The McKinsey Mind" by Ethan M. Rasiel, Paul N. Friga (on order for P&G Career Resource Center)
- "The McKinsey Way" by Ethan M. Rasiel (in P&G Career Resource Center)
- www.mba.msu.edu/careers/students/links.cfm?category=10, includes on-line practice cases.