



# “Destinations” Interview Questions



**Name:** Shelby Sutter

**Destination:** University of California, Santa Cruz

**Career goal:** One option is to become a businesswoman and real estate broker so I can work in my family's business. I also enjoy math and science, which may lead me to other career goals.

**What is your favorite subject/class & why?** My favorite subject in school is history. Even though it is over and in the past, I like to see how we have evolved, changed and become the people we are today.

**Who is your favorite teacher & why?** My favorite teacher is Mr. Faria. He taught me how to put together essays and how to write them well. If it hadn't been for him I would not be the writer I am today.

**What is your favorite high school memory?** As high schoolish as this sounds, my favorite high school memory is when I made it to the top three candidates for football homecoming royalty, being driven around the track in a convertible, and hearing my fellow classmates cheer for me. Now that doesn't happen every day.

**Who/what is your biggest influence & why?** There are many people in my life who love and support me. My parents have encouraged me to be a strong independent woman, my teachers have opened my eyes to different points-of-view, and my friends can always make me laugh.

**What is the most important lesson you learned?** Not to take myself too seriously. My grandfather always says, "If you take yourself too seriously, no one else will."

**What advice do you have for incoming freshmen?** I would tell incoming freshmen not to grow up too fast. High school flies by way too quickly. Enjoy every minute of being a kid, because after high school comes the real world.

**Why did you select your destination?** I chose UC Santa Cruz because of its location. I am fortunate to be able to attend a four-year college on the coast of California.

**How did Modesto City Schools prepare you for your future?** The teachers taught me to be organized, diligent and pay attention to details.

**In what extracurricular activities did you participate (clubs/music/chorus/athletics)?** Cross Country, CSF, FFA (showed rabbits at fair 3 years/ officer), Italian-American Club (officer), Track and Field, Travel Club (traveled to Costa Rica

with my Spanish teacher and fellow students summer 2014), Member of The Modesto Bee's Teen Buzz, Volunteer at Ag Safe, and this summer I am looking forward to my part time job I was fortunate to secure at Ag Safe

**What is your favorite quote or saying?** "Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself." -- *George Bernard Shaw*