FAQ's on academic jobs & interviews:

- click on "resources" link on left for more resources
- for community college job postings: www.cccregistry.org

Jiana: Post-Doc (in teaching) at Arizona State
- go to AMS/MAA Joint Meetings for interviews
  (not everyone will be there but mention you're going to the meetings in your cover letter)

Jared: Community College — Oxnard Community College
SBCC - Tenure-track position
Experience is important — get an adjunct pos. first, then apply for tenure-track

John Levitt:
Post-Docs in other fields — they don't know what you're doing, they're stoked that you're interested.

Time lines aren't strict so you don't teach but post-doc pay: very little, big places will offer you jobs

Rena's Experience: NSF Fellow Application
Spoke at 5-10 conferences
No interview
Academic positions — 0 out of 25 heard back from only 1/3

John's Finance Job — trading options
New Financial Math programs make it harder.
Lack of freedom, great pay — take Stochastic Calculus
Did they ask you why you were switching careers? Not really.

To Jared: What kinds of courses are you teaching?
- Pre-Algebra/Algebra
- Next: Intermediate Algebra & "college" algebra
  - Do you want my cover letter?

To All: How do you find jobs?
- mathjobs.org via AMS website,
- Chronicle of Higher Education,
- Start w/ jobs w/ earliest deadline,
- Applications are due as early as Oct/Nov,
- Cover letters & Recommendations
  - Advice: Short cover letter

To All: What sorts of presentations do you list on your CV?
- Everything; "Put you rain tea" (academics)
- Do you mention mentoring/outreach?
  - Yes! In the teaching section,
  - Especially outreach to minorities

Who should write your teaching letter?
- Someone you TA'd for
- Try teaching something in "I" series
  - If for inquiry
- Try teaching Math 105A/B
How many letters do you need?
Usually 3 — about research/tuition
Also might need transcripts

How much time do you take on this?
Liana started in September and says it’s like a “full-time” job
Rena spent about a month
John “just emailed people”
Jared — “It was like applying to grad school.”

How much time do you get to ruminate on job?
Two weeks — hard because of timeline
Earliest announcements happen in February
Expect to hear end of March — April

“Can you change your mind?” — Haha

What is a teaching post doc?
You learn more about teaching, more about undergraduate research.

Did they ask about your research?
Mostly, yes. State schools/schools w/ REUs.
Publish “x” papers
Work w/ undergrads

How did you decide to apply to certain schools?
Location, type — applied to 10

Comment — teaching demos — mistakes should be acknowledged
Comments - "Practice" interviewing to get a feel for it.

- Writing a Job Talk - Interest them for 2-10 mins
- Aim low
- Research for 10 mins

What is the teaching load?
15 hours per week, no summer responsibility.