

College Visits: Tips from College Recruiters

Narrow Your Focus to schools you think may be right for you. Think about schools you have heard of and that might be right for you. Consult with your parents, your high school guidance counselor, and others for ideas and suggestions. Look for the types of schools that offer preparation for the careers you have in mind.

Research Each College on your list ahead of time and then contact the Admissions office to schedule a visit.

On the Visit, wear comfortable clothing and shoes but dress appropriately to meet college representatives, faculty members and students. Some of these campuses are large; tours are long, make sure to wear the right shoes.

Have Questions Ready to Ask when you have questions, it shows you took the time to research the school and that you are serious about your choices.

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Typical Questions to Help you Choose a College:

1. Is it a community college, a 4 year college or a university? What kinds of degrees or certificates do they offer?
2. Will the courses transfer to another college if you change your mind?
3. Do they offer the programs of study that interest you?
4. What grade point average or ACT scores do you need to be accepted? Do you meet the minimums? Do your grades and test scores fall into the range where students are typically accepted?
5. Will you need to write an essay for admission?
6. How far away from home is it? Where will you live? How will you get there and how often will you be able to come home?
7. Is it in a city, suburban or rural, country setting?
8. If you plan to participate in sports or other extra-curricular activities, do they offer the ones that interest you?
9. Are classes mostly on-line, in large lecture halls or in small classrooms?
10. Are most classes taught by graduate Teaching Assistants or by the actual professors?
11. Do you often need tutoring or other support? If so, do they offer it?
12. Do you need any special services such as note-takers, physical accommodation, interpreters, TDD? How easy will it be to get the help you need?
13. Will you need financial aid to afford it? If so, how much financial aid do they typically offer?
14. What are the admission and financial aid deadlines?