
COLLEGE VISIT CHECK SHEET

Suggested questions to ask when visiting a college campus

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1. What is the percentage of full-time faculty members as opposed to part-time adjunct faculty?
2. What is the average size of introductory courses?
3. Are there general education requirements which all students need to fulfill?
4. Are there opportunities for undergraduate research?
5. For how many years does the college or university provide on-campus housing? What are the dormitory arrangements: single sex, both sexes on different floors, etc? What is the ratio of resident hall assistants per student? What types of special interest dorms are offered?
6. What kind of academic tutoring and psychological counseling services are provided on this campus? How accessible are health care services and is there a pharmacy near campus?
7. How much is the student activity fee and what exactly does it cover: the fitness center, computer labs and copying, athletic events?
8. What percentage of the incoming class is accepted through Early Decision or Early Action as opposed to Regular Decision?
9. What is the four year graduation rate? (Most colleges publish the six year graduation figures)
10. What new construction or proposed building is taking place on campus?

11. How active is the Career Development and Placement Center? What kind of internships are offered? How many students get jobs in their field shortly after graduation and how many go on to professional and graduate schools?
12. What are the institutional policies with regard to financial need and what might be available for you in terms of need-based and merit-based aid and scholarships? If you have not already found the net price calculator, ask an admissions officer where it is located on the college website.
13. How safe is your campus and how does your institution handle issues of sexual assault?
14. What kind of special freshman orientation programs are planned and do you have semester or year-long freshman seminars?
15. Add your own questions here: