

Questions to Ask on a College Visit

1. Admissions Profile

- a. What is the typical GPA of an admitted student?
- b. What is the typical SAT/ACT score of an admitted student?
- c. What do you look for on a high school transcript?
- d. What percent of applicants are admitted?
- e. What percent of first-year students return for their sophomore year? (first-year retention rate)
- f. What is the graduation rate?

2. Admissions Process

- a. Rolling, Regular, Early Action, Early Decision
- b. What is the timeline for receiving a decision?
- c. When do I need to accept/decline my offer of admission?

3. Scholarships/Financial Aid

- a. What do I need to do to be considered for financial aid?
- b. What do I need to do to be considered for a scholarship?
- c. What types of scholarships are available?
- d. When will I find out if I receive a scholarship?

4. Academics (professors, faculty student ratio, class time, curriculum)

- a. What is the faculty to student ratio?
- b. What is the average class size?
- c. Who teaches the classes? (Professors, adjunct professors, teaching assistants)
- d. What courses are included in the liberal arts or general education curriculum?
- e. What are the library hours?
- f. Where do most students study?
- g. Is tutoring available?
- h. What academic programs are most well-known? Popular?

5. Residence Life/Commuters

- a. What percent of students live on campus?
- b. How is my roommate determined for my first year?
- c. How many roommates will I have?
- d. What types of residence facilities are available on campus?
- e. Are there resident assistants (RAs) on every floor? What types of programs do they sponsor?
- f. Can first-year students bring cars to campus? Is there a parking fee?

6. Clubs/Activities

- a. What are some of the most popular clubs on campus?
- b. How many clubs/organizations?

7. Athletics

- a. Division 1, 2, or 3?
- b. What athletic conference? Who are your teams regularly competing against?
- c. What is the philosophy of the athletic department on academics?
- d. How do professors view athletes?

8. AP Credits/College Credits

- a. Do you accept AP credits?
- b. What score do I need to get to obtain credit?
- c. Is there a limit on the number of credits I can transfer?
- d. Do you accept college credits from college courses I took while in high school?
- e. What grade is required to accept the college credit?

9. General questions

- a. What do you look for in an applicant?
- b. What can I do to strengthen my application?
- c. What types of students do best at this college?
- d. What types of students would not do well at this college?