

COLLEGE CAMPUS VISIT QUESTIONS

No matter how many brochures you read or how many times you visit the college's website, you will never learn more than actually visiting the campus in person. You can learn a lot by asking questions and getting a "feel" for the culture of the campus. Here's a list of questions to get you started, and remember, you can never ask too many questions!

Campus Visitation

1. Do you have campus tours?
2. May potential students stay overnight in a residence hall and eat in a food service unit?
3. May visitors sit in a class?

Admissions

1. What is your minimum grade point required for entry?
2. Do you require the ACT or SAT? What score is needed?
3. How is admission determined?

General Information

1. How many freshman students does your campus have?
2. How many undergraduate students does your campus have?
3. What is the faculty-student ratio?
4. What is the typical class size?

Cost and Financial Aid

1. What is the basic cost (tuition, fees, room and board)?
2. What amount should be estimated for books and supplies?
3. How do I apply for financial aid? Is there someone specific who will help me?
4. Does your school offer any scholarships?

Student Life

1. Do all freshman live in the residence halls?
2. Are the residence halls co-ed?
3. How many students share a room?
4. What's a typical room size?
5. What are the residence hall bathrooms like?
6. When may students move "off campus"? (not live in a residence hall)
7. Can students have cars on campus?

Activities

1. What sports does the school offer?
2. Is there an intramural program?
3. Are there sororities and fraternities? What percent of the student body participates in these?
4. What other organizations, clubs, etc. does the school have?

Academic Support

1. What academic supports are available to struggling students?

College Majors

1. What majors does your school offer?
2. When do students need to declare a major?
3. What percent of graduates are employed in their major right out of college?
4. What type of career placement support do you offer?

After Graduation

1. How successful are students in graduating and finding a job?
2. Does the college have an internship or job placement program?
3. Is there a career service center for resume and job skill development?

Questions to Ask Students You Meet

1. How easy is it to meet with faculty?
2. How easy is it to get into the classes you want?
3. What things do you do on the weekends?
4. Do most students leave or stay on the campus during the weekends?
5. What's the cafeteria food like?
6. What do you think of the dorms?