10 Questions to Ask College Reps

This worksheet will help you ask the right questions in your search for the right college.

Take your time and get the facts. Be sure you understand what each college offers.

1. What are the entrance requirements — SAT/ ACT scores, etc.? Do you meet them? Get a list of all documents you need for application.

2. Does the college offer the program of study that you want? Does that major have special admission requirements? Get the name and contact information of the major advisor.

3. What are the requirements and typical timeline for completion of a program or degree? Can the entire degree be completed at the college?

4. How successful are the graduates in finding employment? Is there a placement service?

5. Are there any off-campus internships that are required or available for your program of study?

6. Describe the programs and services offered to transfer students. How do I find out what courses will transfer?

7. What amount of financial aid can I plan on? Be sure to ask for dollar estimates of the amount of loans, grants or scholarships that someone of your income level is likely to receive. Also, for scholarships, ask if amounts will stay consistent during your entire enrollment.

8. What is the address, email address and telephone number of the college's financial aid office?

9. Inquire about the supply of, and demand for, student housing. Check the recreational facilities, parking facilities, train and bus schedules.

10. What additional services does the college offer? How extensive are the health care, library, tutoring and extracurricular resources?

