

Preparing for Representative Visits

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Consider the following questions to discover what is important for you to know about schools before speaking with a college or university representative. Conduct some research online prior to meeting with the representative. Any question you cannot answer by searching the schools' website is a great question to ask a representative.

Financial Questions

- 1. What is the estimated cost of full-time enrollment, including room and board, books, parking, and other personal expenses?
- 2. Do I need to pay a deposit to confirm my intent to enroll?
- 3. How likely will it be that fees increase? Do you provide advanced notice regarding increases?
- 4. How easy is it to get a part time job on campus or in the surrounding community?
- 5. Are there opportunities for merit awards, scholarships and need-based financial aid?

Admissions Questions

- 1. What are your application deadlines?
- 2. When would I have to submit transcripts, test scores, and other documents?
- 3. How selective is the transfer admission process?
- 4. What do you look for in a transfer applicant?
- 5. What grade point average do you look for in a transfer student?
- 6. What do you look for in the essays?
- 7. Do you accept transfer applications for Spring semester?
- 8. How many students apply for transfer and how many get in?
- 9. Are fee waivers available for the application fee?
- 10. If admitted, can I defer my enrollment for a year?

General School Information Questions

- 1. What is the average class size? Are classes taught by professors, graduate students, or career professionals?
- 2. What is your school best known for?
- 3. Is your college located in an urban or rural area?
- 4. Are you on the semester or quarter system?
- 5. How would I take a tour of your campus?
- 6. Do you hold open house events for prospective students?
- 7. If you have more detailed questions, ask: How do I make an appointment to talk with someone further about admissions processes?
- 8. Do you offer cross-registration opportunities with other educational institutions?
- 9. Do you provide resources, programs, services and activities for students to plan for life after college (internships, on-campus recruitment, graduate/professional school, etc.)?
- 10. Do you offer my chosen major? If so, is the program accredited and by what whom?
- 11. Is my major impacted? If so, what requirements do I need to meet in order to apply?
- 12. Do you have an honors program for students with high GPAs?
- 13. Can I enroll part-time? Can I take evening or weekend classes? Do you offer summer school or winter session?

Housing/Campus Life Questions

- 1. Do you provide a wide range of student housing options for transfer students?
- 2. Do you provide assistance in searching for off-campus housing?
- 3. What are the public transportation options? Will I need a car to get around?
- 4. What is the surrounding community like? Are there opportunities for me to get involved in social, cultural, and recreational activities both on and off campus?