

Questions to ask college students

- What are the more popular extracurricular activities (or ask specifically about the activity you are interested in)?
- Are you able to study in your dorm room?
- Do many students go home or away on weekends?
- Are professors accessible outside of class?
- Are campus jobs available?
- Were you able to register for all the classes you wanted?
- If you were to do it again, would you choose this college?
- Did you receive financial aid?
- What is the social life like at this school?

Questions to ask an Admissions Officer

- What are your most popular/distinguished programs?
- How many students will be in my first year courses? Are those courses taught by full-time faculty or by graduate assistants?
- Describe the college's resources for first-year students - computers, library, access to special equipment, such as in labs, etc.
- What kinds of work-study jobs are available?
- Am I likely to be admitted?
- What percentage of students receive financial aid and what does the typical package provide?
- Are there academic/talent scholarships available?

Questions to ask yourself on campus

- Could I live in one of the dorm rooms I visit?
- Are the buildings on campus in good shape?
- Are the computers and lab equipment plentiful and new?
- Are common areas of dorms comfortable and do the facilities meet demand?
- Are the grounds attractive?
- Is the campus close enough - or far enough away - from the city for me?
- How is it getting around campus?

Questions to ask yourself in the classroom

- Do students appear to be interested in the material?
- Do students participate in discussion?
- Do the students seem to have a relationship with the professor?
- Would I feel comfortable as a student in this setting?
- Is the material challenging enough for me?