

Checklist for a College Visit

A college visit is highly recommended. Before you visit the college, consider some of the options below. It is also important to develop a list of questions and plan specific activities in order to accomplish your goals. Complete the College Comparison Worksheet to help with decision making.

- □ Meet with an admissions officer.
- Verify admission requirements (Deadline, tests required, average test scores, GPA, rank).
- Discuss your chances for success in certain programs.
- □ Find out how to apply.
- □ Obtain a school calendar and a catalog.
- Determine college costs (tuition, room, & board. Application fee, deposits)
- Ask about financial aid opportunities (Deadlines, required forms, scholarships)
- □ Ask questions about academic requirements/ offerings.
- □ Ask about the placement record for graduates in the field you might study.
- □ Identify career planning services for undergraduates.
- Ask about Residence hall requirements and Food plan
- □ Meet with faculty in the department of your intended major.
- Attend a class to get an idea of typical size, teaching style, academic atmosphere.
- □ Tour the campus (be sure to check out the dorms, dining hall, library, etc.)
- Talk to students about the general academic environment and the amount and kind of study necessary for success.
- Find out what student activities (clubs, organizations, athletics, intramurals, etc.) are available and about campus life.
- Investigate transportation options. (Distance from home, Location & size of nearest city)
- □ Find out about campus security.