

36 Questions to Ask on a College Visit

Academics:

1. How much time do students typically spend on homework?
2. How much reading and writing are expected?
3. What is the average class size of introductory classes?
4. How widely used are teaching assistants on your campus?
5. What is the average class size of upper-division courses?

Academic Perks:

6. What opportunities are there for undergraduate research?
7. How many students participate in undergraduate research?
8. Is there a culminating senior year experience?
9. Do you have an honors college?
10. Do you have a learning community or freshman experience?

Financial Aid:

11. What is your average financial aid package?
12. What is the typical breakdown of loans versus grants/scholarships?
13. What percentage of financial need does the school typically meet?
14. What is the average merit award?
15. What percentage of students receive college grants?
16. What is the average college debt students leave with?
17. What work-study opportunities are there?

Graduation Track Record:

18. What is your four-year graduation rate?
19. What is your five-year graduation rate?
20. What does it take to graduate in four years?
21. What percentage of freshmen return for sophomore year?

Academic Support:

22. What type of tutoring program do you have?
23. How do you provide academic advice to students?
24. Do you have a writing center and how do I access it? Is there a math tutoring center on campus as well?
25. What kind of learning disability resources do you have?

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Outside Opportunities:

26. How many students at your school get internships?
27. What percentage of students study abroad?
28. What type of career services do you have?

Student Life:

29. What kind of dorm choices are there?
30. What percentage of students live on campus?
31. How long are dorm accommodations guaranteed?
32. How many students live on campus?
33. Do most students go home on the weekend?
34. What percentage of the student body belongs to a sorority or fraternity? Which of the Divine Nine are present on your campus? Do you have Hispanic/Latinx sororities and fraternities?
35. What activities are offered to students?
36. What clubs or student organizations do you have on campus?

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