

SAMPLE QUESTIONS TO ASK COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY ADMISSION REPRESENTATIVE

Admissions

- Do I have to finish my associate degree before I can transfer?
- Do I have to have all of my general education and major requirements completed before applying?
- If I am an international student do I need to take the TOEFL? If so, what is the score?
- Can I use AP/IB credits?
- What are the deadlines for admission? Do you offer alternatives to regular admission such as early decision, early action, rolling admission? How many applications did you receive last year? What % were admitted?
- What academic preparation do you expect in order to be admitted - which qualities and experiences are you looking for in a student?
- What is the average GPA for an admitted transfer student into _____ major?
- What kind of student is most successful at your university?

Academics

- How easy is it to double major? How easy is it to major in one area such as science, and minor in another such as business?
- Is there much informal student-faculty contact outside of class such as students and faculty having lunch or dinner together or playing sports together?
- Does each student have a personally assigned advisor, or is advising conducted by an "advisement center?" Does the student have an opportunity to select or change his/her advisor?
- What services are offered to students needing help or tutoring?

Setting

- How is your institution unique? What distinguishes it from most other colleges and universities?
- What sort of academic calendar do you use: semesters, trimesters, one course at a time, etc.?

Finances

- What is the cost of attendance? (*Cost of attendance includes tuition, books, fees, room, board, transportation, etc.*).
- What percent of students receive merit-based scholarships? How much is offered for the largest merit scholarship? What is the average merit-aid given?
- What percent of students receive need-based financial aid and grants?

Housing

- What percent of students stay on campus on weekends?
- Describe the variety of housing styles on campus: suites, apartments, etc.
- Is housing guaranteed for transfer students?

Diversity and Internationalism

- How ethnically diverse is the campus? What percent of the student body is composed of international students?
- What are the opportunities for study abroad? Does your institution have some unique programs? What percent of your student body studies abroad?
- Can financial aid and/or scholarship monies be used for study abroad?

Service and Internships

- What is the availability of campus work opportunities?
- What volunteer/community service opportunities are available for students at the college?
- What percent of students do internships? How does your college assist students in finding internships?

Safety

- What campus security measures do you have? Is an escort service provided to/from the library, for night classes?
- Tell me about the crime statistics on your campus – assault, rape, robbery, car theft, etc. What are the most “typical” incidents of crime?

Campus Life

- What activities on campus are the most popular with students?
- What transportation means are available? Around campus, to closest city, airport etc. Is there a campus bus to town (*or the local community*) and back?
- Which religious services, such as a Catholic Newman Center or a Hillel Center, are available on campus? Are religious denominations available on campus for social and/or counseling purposes?
- How many and what types of clubs/organizations do you have on your campus?

Other

- What type of support do you offer AB540 students, Veteran students, and students with disabilities?