

# Make the Most of Your Campus Interview and Tour... Ask Questions!

## Questions You May be Asked

Why do you want to attend this University?  
What would you bring to our community?  
What are some of your strengths/challenges?  
What was your greatest experience in high school?  
What are your favorite and least favorite classes? Why?  
What do you want to do in the future?  
Tell me about yourself (It's always important to focus on three things).  
Tell me about your interests.  
Tell me about your involvement in extracurricular activities.  
Tell me about your family.  
What do you think about (insert a current event of the past week)?  
What is your favorite book? Who is your favorite author?  
Which of your accomplishments are you most proud of?  
If you could meet any important figure in the past or present, who would it be and what would you talk about?  
If you could be any animal what would you be? Why?  
How would your friends describe you?  
What do you expect to gain from college?  
Tell me about an obstacle that you have had to overcome.

## Smart Questions to Ask Admission Representatives

Are first year students guaranteed housing? Every year?  
What percentage of students receive grants and scholarships? Are merit scholarships offered?  
How many core courses are required for graduation?  
What percentage of the faculty hold a PhD?  
Are first year students required to bring a computer? Are there adequate labs if you don't?  
What percentage of students go to graduate school? Which schools?  
What is the average class size during the first year? Subsequent years? What is the largest class? Do you expect any changes?  
Do first year students live in doubles, triples or quads?  
Are professors allowed to utilize Teaching Assistants (TAs)? If so, to what capacity? (i.e. teach the class, grade exams, hold study sessions, etc.)  
What is the average GPA and standardized test scores for the incoming freshmen class?

## Great Questions to Ask Student Tour Guides and Other Current Students

What did you do last weekend? Do people stay on campus?  
How long did it take for this college to feel like home?  
Can first year students have a car on campus? Do you need one?  
What classes are you taking right now? How much time do you spend on homework?  
Where do you usually study?  
What types of activities are you involved in on campus?  
How accessible are professors out of class? Are tutors available for extra help?  
What do you feel are the most popular campus activities? Classes?  
What have been your classes with the most (and the least) students?  
What do you feel makes this school stand out?  
Are you happy you chose this college? Why?  
Do you like living on campus? Why?

**Note:** It is always recommended that you leave time after the formal tour to walk the campus by yourself and see areas that might not have been shown to you. Doing so allows you the opportunity to ask other current students about their experience at the institution.

