Questions to Ask Colleges & Universities
Making Your Transfer Transition Smooth

Admissions
- What are the admission requirements, deadlines, and application process?
- What is the average GPA of admitted students?
- What are the demographics of the students, faculty and staff?
- How do I make an appointment with an admissions counselor?
- Are there campus visit days or tours I can attend?

Academics
- Does this college or university offer the major I am interested in?
- Are there additional admission requirements for my intended major?
- Are there language or mathematics requirements?
- Based on my transfer credits, how long will it take me to graduate?
- What is the faculty-to-student ratio?
- How are courses offered (in person, online, day, evening, etc.)?
- Can I enroll part time?
- Are there opportunities for transfer students to study abroad?

Financial Aid & Scholarships
- When is the deadline to apply for financial aid?
- Am I eligible for any scholarships offered by the college or university?
- What is the tuition cost per credit, and how much are fees?
- After financial aid, what is my out-of-pocket cost?

Career Services
- What support is offered to students looking for internships in my major?
- What type of career placement assistance is available?
- What’s a typical salary for students who graduate in my intended program?

Student Life
- Is there on-campus housing? Am I required to live on-campus?
- What student support is available, such as tutoring, academic advising, mental health counseling, multicultural student services, LGBTQ+ student services, or TRIO?
- What student life opportunities are available, such as clubs, sports, activities, and leadership programs?

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