

THINK TRANSFER

Meeting with university representatives



As a prospective transfer student, you have many colleges and universities to choose from, so it's important to find a college that is a good fit for you. Have an open mind and explore your options. Review the list of questions below and use them as a guide when meeting with representatives and admission officers from four-year colleges and universities. Make sure to ask questions that will help you obtain information that is the most relevant and important to you.

Academic Programs/Majors

- Do you offer my major?
- What are the most impacted (“popular”) majors at your campus?
- Are there any unique academic programs and/or majors or minors on your campus that I should know about?
- Can I change my major after I am admitted?
- When are courses offered? Are they available in the late afternoon, evenings, and/or weekends?
- Can I enroll as a part-time student?
- Do you have a program geared towards working adults?
- Is it possible to double major?
- What is the average class size?
- Are you on a semester or quarter system?
- What additional academic services are offered at your campus? (e.g. writing center, tutoring, honors program, graduate/pre-health advising, etc.)?
- Are there research and/or internship opportunities available on campus?

Admission

- What are the minimum admission requirements for transfer students?
- What is the minimum GPA required for admission?
- Is there a higher minimum GPA required for my major?
- Are there any courses required for admission to my major? What is the minimum grade required in these courses?
- What is the average GPA for students admitted in my major?
- Do you have a transfer guarantee? If so, what are the requirements?
- How do you determine my grade if I repeat a course?
- Will a course in which I received a “D” grade count?
- Will “W’s” negatively impact my admission?

Campus Life

- What is the total number of undergraduate students at your campus?
- What percentage of your students are transfer students? Is there a strong transfer community on your campus?
- Does your campus offer graduate (MA/MS/PhD) and/or professional degrees (medical, law or dental school)?
- What kinds of social, cultural and recreational activities are available on the campus and in the community?
- Does public transportation provide easy access to the campus and surrounding community?
- Are athletic events popular on your campus? Which ones?
- Do you offer housing specifically for transfer students? Family housing?
- Is on-campus housing guaranteed for transfer students?

Cost/Financial Aid

- What is the cost of tuition and registration fees?
- What are the average housing expenses for living on and off campus?
- Is it likely that fees will be increased? When will I know?
- What types of financial aid and scholarships are available?
- Are there any scholarships available specifically for transfer students?

Resources & Services

- Do you have any of the following?
 - ✓ Veteran's Office
 - ✓ Disabled Students Center
 - ✓ On-campus daycare for students with children
 - ✓ Transfer Center
 - ✓ Center for Undocumented Students
 - ✓ LGBT Center
 - ✓ EOPS Program
 - ✓ Study Abroad programs

Admission Application

- What are the application deadlines for admission?
- Do you accept students for winter or spring terms?
- Do you offer application fee waivers? How do I obtain a fee waiver?
- Do I need to write an essay or a personal statement for admission?
- Is there a supplemental application required for your campus and/or my major?
- Is a portfolio or audition required? (Visual & Performing Arts majors)
- When do I have to submit transcripts, test scores and other admissions materials?
- If I'm not accepted in my major, can I be admitted under an alternate major?