

# **COLLEGE VISIT CHECKLIST**

## **ADMISSION QUESTIONS**

- Requirements
- Test scores required
- What majors are offered
- Deadline for admission
- Interviews (are they required)
- How long can I expect to wait for a reply after I submit my application

## **FINANCIAL AID QUESTIONS**

- How much will it cost?
- What financial aid options are there?
- When are financial aid deadlines?
- Inquire about work study, loans, grants, and scholarships
- What types of meal plans are available?

## **STUDENT LIFE: WHAT TO LOOK FOR**

- Housing
  - a. What types of housing options are available?
  - b. Are housing options guaranteed for all four years, or will you be expected to live off campus after freshman year?
  - c. Roommates and selection process
- Extracurricular Activities
  - a. Special Groups
  - b. Activities
  - c. Fraternities/Sororities

- Campus Life
  - a. How safe is the campus and its surrounding neighborhoods?
  - b. What's it like on campus on the weekends?
  - c. What facilities are available for health care?

## **ACADEMICS AND COLLEGE TRANSITIONING**

- Classroom Questions
  - a. What is the average classroom size?
  - b. How accessible are professors outside of class?
  - c. Will I have a professor or a grad student teaching my classes?
- College Transitioning Questions
  - a. When should I have a major chosen?
  - b. Do I need a computer?
  - c. Are there programs offered to help students adjust to the college life?
  - d. What tutoring programs are available?

## **PLANNING A COLLEGE VISIT**

- How can I arrange a visit?
- Things to prepare
  - a. Get a map of the campus
  - b. Plan on staying for at least a full day; stay overnight, if possible
  - c. Visit when classes are in session
  - d. Arrange an interview with an admissions officer or sign up for a group session, if available

e. Prepare a list of questions you might have about the school

f. Bring something to take notes with!

- Take a campus tour
- Talk with students and faculty
- Attend a sporting event, if possible