

COLLEGE COMPARISON CHART

-Evaluate only those factors important to you or to your family-

<http://collegesearch.collegeboard.com/search/index.jsp> . This website and your visits can provide the information needed.

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General Information

Name and location of college _____
Family's influence on choice (strong, medium, minor) _____
Date of visit _____
Name of admissions rep. assigned to your HS _____
Public or private _____
Religious affiliation? Required chapel? _____
Miles or hours from home _____
Setting (rural, suburban or city) _____
Residential or commuter campus _____
Safety - on and off-campus (strong, avg., weak) _____
Diversity (wide, medium, narrow) _____
Campus policies (conservative, middle, liberal) _____
Levels: Undergraduate, graduate (one or both) _____
Number of undergraduate students _____
% returning for sophomore year _____

Admissions

Early Decision? Application deadline _____
Early Action? Application deadline _____
Regular Action application deadline _____
% of applicants admitted _____
Avg. (mid-50%) GPA of admitted students _____
Avg. (mid-50%) ACT or SAT of admitted students _____
AP accepted? IB (Internat. Baccalaur.) accepted? _____
CLEP accepted? _____
Homeschooling credits readily accepted? _____

Quality of Education

Freshmen treated like upperclassmen? _____
Ph.D. faculty readily accessible to freshmen? _____
Research opportunities available to freshmen? _____
Most classes taught by discussion? lecture? _____
Systemic skills development: Communication (C), _____
problem-solving (PS), critical thinking (CT) _____
Personal and career counseling (strong, avg., weak) _____
Services for students with disabilities (strong, avg.) _____

Academic

Your intended major or program _____
Study abroad (SA), Internships (I), Co-op (C) _____
Do you qualify for the Honors program? _____
Residential (living-learning) programs available? _____
Senior Project/Thesis (required, option., not avail.) _____

Cost and Financial Aid

Financial aid priority deadline _____
Total cost (T&F, R&B, Books, Misc.) for first year _____
Do you qualify for Merit or Talent scholarships? _____
Avg. debt at graduation _____
FAFSA? CSS Profile? _____

Housing

Coed: rooms(R), suites(S), floors(F). Single-sex dorms(SS) _____
% of students living in dorms _____
% in fraternities and sororities _____

Other Factors Important to You:

*Your feeling after visit (great, good, neutral, negative) _____

*Your emotional ("gut-level") rank-order _____

*Your analytical rank-order _____