



College Comparison Worksheet

When researching which college to attend, there are many factors to consider – majors offered, distance from home, cost of attendance, campus size, admissions requirements, and campus activities. These factors can play an important role in deciding which college is the best choice for you. Use the template below to note down the characteristics of each college campus you are researching. Feel free to make multiple copies of this template, if you are researching more than 3 schools. Review all the characteristics of each college to determine your first choice, second choice, and third choice college.

		Name of College:	Name of College:	Name of College:
ACADEMICS	Does this college offer a 2-yr degree and/or 4-yr degree?			
	Is the major you're interested in offered at this campus?			
	Is the college you are interested in accredited?			
	What is the typical class size?			
ENVIRONMENT	How big is the campus?			
	Is the college located in a rural or urban setting? How far is it from home?			
	What is the size of the town the college is located in?			
	If the college is in a rural area, how far is the city from the college?			
	How big is the student population?			
	Male/female ratio			
	What is the ethnic breakdown of the student population?			
	Is the college religiously affiliated?			
COLLEGE EXPENSES	How much is tuition and fees?			
	How much is room and board?			
	Estimate amount needed for books, supplies, transportation, food, etc.			
	How much does it cost to apply to the college? If accepted, how much is the deposit?			

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FINANCIAL AID	What is the deadline to apply for financial aid?			
	What forms must be submitted?			
	What percentage of students receive financial aid?			
	What kinds of scholarships does the college provide?			
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS	When is the deadline to apply?			
	Which admissions tests do you need to take?			
	What is the average SAT or ACT scores, GPA, and rank of the incoming students?			
	Is this a “safe”, “match” or “reach” school?			
HOUSING	What are the residence hall requirements?			
	What kinds of dining options are available?			
ACTIVITIES	What kinds of clubs or organizations are you able to join?			
	What kinds of athletic or intramural programs does the college provide?			
	Are there opportunities to participate in fraternities/sororities?			
	What kinds of resources are available to help you do well in your first year of college?			
CONTACT INFO	Admissions office Email: Phone number:			
College choice ranking:				