

# SAMPLE QUESTIONS TO ASK COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES

*The following are sample questions you may tailor to your own needs. The answers to these questions may help you to decide what schools will suite you the best to continue your education.*

## **General**

- What makes your campus different from other universities?
- What is the setting of your university? Is it located in an urban, suburban, or rural setting?
- Do you offer sports teams? What are they?
- What is the percentage of transfer students on your campus?
- How do I find out more information about student life at your campus?

## **Admissions**

- What are the admission requirements?
- How do I apply? What do I need to apply?
- Can I apply to more than one campus in your system? How? Can I have my application transferred from one campus to another if I change my mind?
- Do you require faculty or counselor recommendations? Should I have an interview?
- What are the application deadlines?
- When do I have to submit transcripts, test scores and other admission materials?
- I signed a Transfer Guarantee Agreement contract? How does impact your decision if I change a course or fail course(s) listed on the contract? How can I notify you of the changes on my contract?
- When will I be notified if I have been admitted?
- I am in honors program or have completed an honor course. How does this impact my admissions?
- What should I write in my Personal Statement?
- How many Transfer credits do you accept from a transfer student?
- Is it possible to transfer with less than 60 transferrable units?
- I have completed my high school in another country. Do I need to take Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOFEL)?
- I am fluent in another language; do I need to take a language course to meet the second language proficiency requirement?
- Is it possible to transfer with more than 60 transferrable units?
- Is it possible to your university while I have some course in-progress?
- Will I get college credit for my AP or IB courses? How much?
- Do I have to complete and certify general education for admission purposes? If not, how does it help me if I obtain General Education certification from a community college?
- I attended several community colleges. How does this impact on evaluation of my application?
- Can I change my major after I am admitted to your university?
- What are my chances of getting into your university?
- How do extracurricular activities impact on my admission to your campus?
- Do you have a special admission program for students from certain ethnic minorities and other underrepresented groups? How can I qualify? What kinds of special help will be available to me after I enroll?
- How do you determine my GPA if I repeat a course?
- Will a course in which I received a "D" grade count?

- For fall admission, can I, as a Community College student, take summer courses prior to starting?
- What is the admissions priority of transfer students from Community Colleges, to four-year colleges?
- Are you on a semester or quarter system?
- I completed my courses in Quarter/semester system, how does this impact my admissions?
- I am a Veteran Student; do I receive credit for DD214? If so, how do I get credit?
- How can I talk to an admissions representative?

### **Academics**

- What kind of programs do you offer? Do you offer my major.....?
- What kind of classes do you offer in my major?
- What programs are impacted? Is my major impacted (competitive)?
- Do you offer academic support programs?
- Can I attend part-time?
- Can I take courses at your institution before transferring and while attending a community college?
- Can I use open-university courses toward my degree?
- Do you offer on-line courses? Are there any limitations in taking on-line courses toward my Bachelor degree?
- Are there any special application/requirements for impacted majors?
- How long does it take to complete the program if I enter at junior level?
- What are the graduation requirements in addition to the courses in my major and general education?
- Do you offer honors program?
- Do you have internship opportunities? If so, are they paid?
- Are advanced degrees (master's, doctorate) offered? If so, what are the requirements? How many additional years will I need to complete a Master's, and/or doctorate?

### **Cost and financial Aid Assistance**

- What is the cost of attendance, (including books, supplies, housing, and parking)?
- How much is the application fee?
- Am I eligible for the application fee waiver? If so, what do I need to receive the waiver?
- When do I pay for registration fees?
- Do I have to send in a deposit to confirm my intention to enroll? How much? When?
- Do you have a deferment plan? If so, is there any interest rate or late fee charges?
- What are the chances fees will be increased and when will I know?
- What kinds of financial assistance and scholarship are available? How do I apply for them and what are the requirements?
- Is there financial aid available for undocumented or AB540 students?
- When and how do I apply for financial aid? Do I apply for campus scholarships separately?
- Can I apply for federal or state aid if I do not have a social security number?
- Do you offer work study?
- How do you determine if I qualify for any financial assistance?
- Will financial aid cover my entire school expenses? If not what does it cover?
- Is it easy to get a part-time job on campus or in the community?

### **Housing**

- Do you offer dormitories? If so how much is the cost? How can I sign up?
- Do I have to live on campus?
- How and when do I apply for campus housing?
- When will I be notified of housing availability for me?
- Do I share a room? If so, can I choose my roommate? Do I have cooking and laundry facilities?

- When do I have to sign a contract, and submit a deposit to confirm my room?
- Is it easy to find a place to live near campus? What are the cost ranges? Do you provide services to help with finding housing off-campus?

**What else do I need to know?**

- What is the admission deferment/delayed enrollment option? Do you offer this option?
- How do I make arrangements to take a tour of your campus?
- Do you have an open house program for prospective students? When and who do I contact for more information?