

# 10 Questions

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**Choosing which college you will attend is a very big, very important decision. It can profoundly affect your career and your life for years to come. This document is designed to help you gather the information you will need to make the best decision.**

The most important issue to explore is not what school to attend, but what kind of school to attend (*i.e. public, private, liberal arts, religious, community, or career college*). Next, be sure to always, always, always visit the colleges you are considering. Research shows that most people who end up transferring colleges didn't adequately research their college of choice.

**We recommend you visit 3 to 4 schools before making your choice.**

## The 10 questions you should ask before choosing a college:

1. What are the benefits of attending this kind of college or university?
2. If I don't know what I want to study, what resources do you offer to help me find a career field that is best suited to my interests and abilities?
3. What kind of academic support is available to me as a student?
4. What kind of support do you offer to help me afford college?
5. What is the student to teacher ratio? How much recent, real-world experience do your teachers have?
6. I want to work in \_\_\_\_\_ field. What kind of education and training do you offer in this particular career field?
7. What kind of classes will I take my freshman year (general ed or specialized classes)? How long before I begin to take specialized classes in my field of choice?
8. What is the demand in the job market for \_\_\_\_\_ (your career of choice)? How long will it take me to be ready for employment in this field?
9. How many of your graduates last year were employed? What has been your average graduate employment rate over the past 5 years?
10. What support do you offer to help me find a job after I graduate?