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## Navigating the College Decision Process: FAQ's You Should Be Asking Colleges

- What makes your college unique? What are some unique opportunities your institution can provide MGP students?
- What academic programs is your college known for?
- How would you describe the students that go there? Where do most of the students come from?
- What are the weekends like? – Are there things to do on campus or in town, or do most students go back home?
- What is the surrounding area like? Is it easy to get around?
- Do you all have the “Divine 9” and other fraternities and sororities on campus?
- What types of housing options are there for freshmen?
- What are your sports complex and fitness centers like?
- How many extracurricular clubs & organizations does your institution have for students to join?
- What are some unique school traditions?
- What is security like on campus?
- Are there any MGP specific scholarships that your school offers?
- How would you describe the academic pressure and workload at your school?
- What support services are available on campus? (academic advisers, writing center, tutors, etc.)
- What is the faculty like? How accessible are they outside of class?
- What study abroad programs do you have? Are there scholarships offered by the school to engage?
- What work study opportunities are there?
- Are there opportunities for domestic exchange? Are there any partner colleges & universities?
- Are there opportunities for internships? Does the school offer assistance with getting internships?
- Are there any big changes in the works that an incoming student should know about?

### COVID-19 Related

- Do you have alternate admissions protocol for students who don't have access to their transcripts/higher SAT scores?
  - Test optional?
  - GPA Requirements?
  - Placement tests?



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- Have any important deadlines changed? (i.e. Enrollment deposits, housing deadlines, etc.)
- How has your school responded to the COVID-19 pandemic? What things have been put in place to cover your students and/or what resources have you all provided?
- What are your institution's plans for Fall 2020, in lieu of the current pandemic?
- How does an out of state student engage in learning about your campus if they've never visited campus? Any online resources?
- Trying to compare and contrast different school options can be stressful, even under normal circumstances. How is this process different now that everything is happening remotely? Are there online resources to help students out?
- There has been lots of talk as it pertains to being able to go back into classrooms? Has your institution considered doing online classes for the coming semesters?
- What advice would you give a current high school senior who is trying to make a college choice in the midst of the current pandemic?