

Choose what you want to notice today.

Keep preparation short. Pick three priorities and one question for the visit.

COLLEGE NAME

MY THREE PRIORITIES

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WHAT DO I MOST WANT TO FIND OUT?

ANYWHERE SPECIFIC I WANT TO VISIT? (OPTIONAL)

KEEP THIS LENS VISIBLE

You do not need to complete every section during the visit.

Prioritize what matters and record observations before they blur together.

Academic experience

Notice learning spaces, student work, and what differs from the website.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Faculty and advising

Ask who advises first-year students and what requires an appointment.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Community and belonging

Notice where students gather and how smaller communities form.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Housing and daily life

Look at distances, common spaces, food, and what changes after year one.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Social and weekend life

Ask about ordinary weekends, extra costs, travel, and whether campus empties.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Student support

Find where a struggling student would go and what access requires.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Career opportunities

Ask when students begin and which opportunities require applications.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Campus surroundings

Notice what is reachable without a car and what you would really use.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Affordability and practical constraints

Record extra costs, transportation assumptions, and follow-up offices.

QUICK REACTION

FOLLOW-UP QUESTION

WHAT I NOTICED

Could I picture an ordinary Tuesday here?

What felt unexpectedly strong?

What concern remains unresolved?

How did the visit change my interest?

Why?

Next research step

Keep one guide per school. Compare evidence later instead of forcing a tour-day score.