

# My Campus Scorecard

*Adapted from Washington GEAR UP*

*Instructions: As you tour the college campus, circle your answers to the following questions, through observing, interacting, and asking questions.*

Any campus with 3 or more “No” scores probably isn’t a good fit for you.

**Name of College:** \_\_\_\_\_

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| Yes | No | Is the staff friendly?  |
| Yes | No | When you talk with college staff, are they cheerful/helpful? Do you feel they're interested in you? Would you want to deal with them on a regular basis?  |
| Yes | No | Is the campus the right size for you?   |
| Yes | No | Do you like the size of the campus? (How do you feel about the number of students—too many, too few, or just right? Do you feel energized, lost in space, crowded, or cozy?)                                      |
| Yes | No | Does the campus feel right for you?   |
| Yes | No | How extensive are the resources in the library, student center, student union, bookstore, health center, gym, and career placement center? Check out the classrooms. Would you enjoy being on a campus like this? |
| Yes | No | Do you get good feelings about the students?  |
| Yes | No | Do you want to hang out with these people for four years? (Are students happy, bored, or stressed? Are they diverse or all the same? What are they talking about? Do they care more about school or sports?)      |
| Yes | No | Are the campus activities a good fit for you?   |
| Yes | No | Are you OK with the number and variety of activities? Do you see things you would like to do (The school newspaper, flyers around campus and in the student center)?  |
| Yes | No | Is the surrounding community a good fit for you?  |
| Yes | No | Would you like to live in a town/city like this (too small or too large, available activities malls, concerts, skiing, etc.)?   |
| Yes | No | Have you checked out the university's social media? (Do they do a good job sharing fun/engaging things?)  |

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**Compare colleges based on the characteristics most important to you. This scorecard helps you evaluate colleges side-by-side.**

**Step 1:** Take the “What is my ideal college?” survey in the left column.

**Step 2:** Rank the colleges that you visited in person or on a virtual tour on a scale of 1 to 3 (3 is best!) based on how well they fit your criteria.

**Step 3:** Total the scores up to see what college might be the best fit for you.

## Ranking System (1 - 3):

3 = It's a perfect match.

2 = It kind of meets my criteria.

1 = Nope, it's not a good fit.

<b>What's my ideal college</b> <b>Circle the answers that apply to you</b>	<b>College #1</b>	<b>College #2</b>	<b>College #3</b>
<b>I want a college located:</b> a. Close to home b. As far away as possible c. Somewhere in between so I can visit on weekends and holidays.			
<b>I prefer a campus size that is:</b> a. Small (less than 5,000) b. Medium (5,000 – 15,000) c. Large (15,000+)			
<b>I want my college to be in the:</b> a. City b. Suburbs c. Country			
<b>I want to live:</b> a. On campus in a dorm or apartment b. Off campus in an apartment or house c. At home			
<b>I prefer a college that is:</b> a. Private (not a public or state school) b. Single-sex (only male or female) c. Religious affiliated d. Serve ethnic minority populations (tribal colleges, historically black)			
<b>I want to complete my degree in:</b> a. 2 years or less (AA) b. 4 years (BA, BS) c. More than 4 years (Master's, Doctorate, or Professional)			

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<p><b>My ideal college offers degrees in:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Art and design</li> <li>b. Sciences and engineering</li> <li>c. Health fields</li> <li>d. Teaching and counseling</li> <li>e. Business or law</li> <li>f. Other:</li> </ul>			
<p><b>I want to participate in the following activities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Sports (Division I, Division II, Division III)</li> <li>b. Student government</li> <li>c. Community service</li> <li>d. Greek life</li> <li>e. Other clubs/activities:</li> </ul>			
<p><b>I want to take advantage of the following student services:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Tutoring/academic support</li> <li>b. Counseling and health services</li> <li>c. Study abroad</li> <li>d. Recreational sports and/or a gym</li> <li>e. Disability access</li> <li>f. Other:</li> </ul>			
<p><b>I want a college that offers financial aid including:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Scholarships</li> <li>b. Grants</li> <li>c. Loans</li> <li>d. Work-study programs</li> <li>e. Not important</li> </ul>			
<p><b>I want a college that provides ___% cost of attendance through financial aid: (Check College Board Search if you're unsure.)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 75 – 100%</li> <li>b. 50 – 74%</li> <li>c. 25 – 49%</li> <li>d. Less than 25%</li> </ul>			
<p><i>Total:</i></p>			