

Organizing Important College Selection Factors Worksheet

The following is an alphabetical list of factors that can be used to narrow your college choice. We suggest you print this worksheet and use it to identify, rank, and group the factors that are important to you.

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Factor</u>	<u>Description</u>
___	Academic programs	Majors, certificates, degrees, courses
___	Athletics	Both intercollegiate and intramural
___	Cost/Financial Aid	Is it affordable with or without financial assistance? How much financial aid is available?
___	Extracurricular activities	Clubs and organizations
___	Facilities	Modern or outdated buildings? Art studios, libraries, athletic facilities, laboratories and other school activities?
___	Friends	Are you likely to be with people you like? Are any of your friends going?
___	Housing	Availability of on- and off-campus housing. On-campus requirements. Style: dorm or apartments
___	Intangibles	How does it feel? Are there qualities, services or other factors that are attractive?
___	Location	Where do you want to be? How far from home, big city, small city do you want to be?
___	Recommendations	From family, friends, teachers, counselors
___	Scholarships	Do you qualify?
___	Selectivity	How difficult is it to get in? What are the academic qualifications of students who have been admitted?
___	Size	How big is it? What are typical class sizes?
___	Specialization	Liberal arts, technology, arts, business...
___	Technology	Are computers accessible at lots of locations?
___	Weather	Hot, cold, sunny, rainy

Wrap your head around college.