

# Notes from the Counseling Office

## Juniors: Planning to attend college?

### Questions to ask on a college visit:

1. How many freshmen return for their sophomore year?
2. How many freshmen earn a seat in the field of my choice?
3. How many students graduate with the degree I am seeking in four years?
4. Is there a four-year graduation guarantee? If not, what is the average yearly increase?
5. Is there a guaranteed four-year tuition rate? (rate stays the same all four years)
6. What is the placement rate for students who graduate with the degree I am interested in?
7. Where are the most common placements for students who graduate with the degree I am interested in? (Ask for specific examples)
8. Are students required to buy books or is there a book rental program?
9. Are all students required to own a laptop?
10. How wireless is the campus?
11. What are the cafeteria hours? What if I have class during a meal time....can I get a meal to go or am I just out of luck?
12. What types of dorms are available? (Co-Ed, Co-Ed floors, dorms with quiet hours, academic floors where all students are majoring in the same field and receive mentoring from professors)
13. What extra-curricular activities are available?
14. Can I have a copy of a security/safety report for the past few years?
15. What types of jobs are available on campus? Does the university help place students in work-study jobs, or is it the student's responsibility to find their own work-study employment? How many students receive work-study out of the number eligible?
16. How much is the college health insurance and can it be waived/refunded if my parent's health insurance covers me?
17. What are the chances of me getting into a class that is closed, which is required for my major, and required for me to take in order to continue in my studies? (Will allowances be made or will I need to worry that I won't be able to graduate in four years?)
18. Do freshmen receive mentors? If yes, what type of mentors and how are they chosen?
19. Can freshmen bring a car to campus? What type of transportation is available on campus? Cost?
20. How are roommates chosen? (At random? Through a lengthy matching process?)