

QUESTIONS TO ASK COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES

What are Your Campus and Community Like?

- Is your college located in an urban, suburban, or rural setting?
- How many students are enrolled? In my major? From my community/school?
- What kinds of social, cultural, and recreational activities are available on the campus and in the community?
- How far away from Sonoma County is your campus?
 How much time does it take to get there by car, by public transportation?
- Will I need a car to get around? Does public transportation (bus) provide easy access to the campus and community?
- Are you on the semester or quarter system?

Tell Me About Your Programs

- Do you offer my major?
- What other programs do you offer which will support my major?
- Can I enroll part-time, take courses in the late afternoons, evenings, weekends, or during the summer?
- Are there internship opportunities available on campus, in the community?
- Are advanced degrees (master's, doctorate) offered?
- Does your college participate in Study Abroad? If so, which countries?

How Much Does Your College Cost?

- What are the costs of tuition or registration fees, books and supplies, housing, parking, etc.?
- When do I pay those fees?
- Do I have to send in a deposit to confirm my intention to enroll? How much? When?
- What are the chances fees will be increased and when will I know?

Is Financial Aid Available?

- What kinds of financial assistance are available? When and how do I apply for financial aid? Do I apply for campus scholarships separately?
- How do you determine if I qualify for assistance?
- When will I be notified if I will or will not receive assistance?
- Will financial aid cover my entire need?
- Are there special kinds of assistance for students from certain ethnic minorities and other underrepresented groups?
- Are there part-time jobs available on campus or in the community?

What About Housing?

- Do you have campus residence halls for transfer students?
- Do I have to live on campus?
- How and when do I apply for housing?
- When will I know if you have room for me? Do I have to have a roommate? Can I choose my roommate?
- When do I have to sign a contract, submit a deposit to confirm my room?
- Is it easy to find a place to live near campus? What are the cost ranges?

Will I be Eligible for Admissions?

- What are your admission requirements for transfer students?
- Do you have an early admission program for transfer students? What are the requirements?
- Do you have a special admission program for students from certain ethnic minority and other underrepresented groups? How can I qualify? What kinds of support will be available to me after I enroll?
- How do you determine my grade if I repeat a course?
- Will a course in which I received a "D" grade count?
- What is the admissions priority of transfer students from community colleges?

How Do I Apply for Admission?

- Where do I get the application? When can I first apply? What is your application deadline date?
- Do you accept transfer students year round?
- Can I apply to more than one campus in your system? How? Can I have my application transferred from one campus to another if I change my mind?
- When do I have to submit transcripts, test scores and other admissions materials?
- When will I be notified if I have been admitted?
- Is my major overcrowded (impacted)? If so, what special requirements do I need to meet? If I'm not accepted in my major, what are my options? Can I change to another, have my application sent to another campus, have my application returned to me?

What Else Do I Need to Know?

- How do I make arrangements to take a tour of your campus?
- Do you have an open house program for prospective students? When and who do I contact for more information?
- Do you offer any special events for transfer students?