Your College Visit

When searching for a 4-year college or university to transfer to, it is recommended you visit their campus. Make appointments to meet with a counselor in the Admissions Office and the program director of your intended major to ask about their transfer requirements. Be sure to ask about financial aid and scholarships available to transfer students. Tour the campus and ask to see a residence hall and dorm. The best time to visit is during the week when classes are in session so you can ask students what they like and dislike at the college. Ask to sit in on a class—stay over in the dorm if you can—and eat in their cafeteria. Explore the surrounding community. Your college visit will help you determine if you could be comfortable there.

Here are suggested questions to ask when you visit a college.

**About the College:**

- Does your school have my major? Is the academic program accredited? Are there internship or co-op opportunities?
- Where is your college located?
- How many students attend your college? What is the percentage of full-time to part-time students?
- What is the percentage of minority students? What is the faculty-to-student ratio?
- How would you describe the academic and social environment of your college?
- Does your college have an articulation agreement with HACC?
- Do you have a list of course-by-course equivalencies between HACC and your college?
- Can I complete my major during the day, evening, weekend, part-time, full-time, or online?
- What are the job placement/graduate school placement statistics of prior graduates in my program?
- Do you offer childcare services?
- What support services do you have for physical or learning disabilities? Who is the contact person?
- Is there an 800-phone number to call if I have further questions? What is your email address? college web address?

**About Admission Requirements:**

- What is the recommended time to apply? What is the actual application deadline?
- What is the minimum GPA required for the college? for my major?
- What are your general education requirements? What are your major/curriculum requirements?
- When do I have to select my major? Is it possible to change majors?

**About Transferring:**

- What is the minimum number of college-level credits required for transfer? Is this at the time of application or at the time of intended start date? Are SAT’s required?
- How many of my college credits will transfer toward my bachelor’s degree?
- Can I transfer directly into the specific school or major?
- How many transfer students do you accept? Fall? Spring? Summer?
- Do transfer students qualify for financial aid awards and scholarships?
- How are transfer students assigned housing?