

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

The following is a list of suggested questions that you may want to ask college / university representatives when they visit and when you visit the schools to assist you in your research. These questions will be a good tool for comparing your primary choice with other post secondary schools to ensure that the programmes and features of the school are the best for you.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER WHEN CHOOSING A COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY

1. Does the college / university offer the program of studies in which I am interested in pursuing?
2. How flexible is the college / university? Can I change my program for studies after I register?
3. How easy is it to combine interests in one degree/diploma? Examples:
 - i) A major in biology with elective courses in music
 - ii) Social Service Worker and Child and Youth Worker
 - iii) A major in political science with elective courses in studio drawing and painting
4. What are the admissions requirements?
5. What are the admissions cut-off averages?
6. How many students attend the college / university?
7. What is the student / faculty ratio?
8. What is the average class size? How are classes and labs conducted?
9. Do you offer co-op programmes? Can I explore career options through co-op work placements as I earn my diploma / degree?
10. Are my professors available to see me if I have problems with my courses?
11. What opportunities are there for financial assistance? Entrance scholarships, in-course scholarships, bursaries, loans, part-time jobs on campus.
12. What on campus housing is available?
 - Are new students guaranteed residence?
 - Can I live in residence throughout my program?
 - Is off-campus housing available?
13. Explain the meal plan and room options and their costs.
14. What sort of support is available? Academic? Social? Personal? Spiritual?
15. Does the university/college offer opportunities to study abroad as an exchange student?
16. What extra-curricular activities are available?
17. Can I attend an Open House or arrange a Campus Tour? How do these work?