



## Evaluating a College Visit

Name of College \_\_\_\_\_

Date Visited \_\_\_\_\_

Special circumstances affecting the visit (“There was a blizzard,” “I had a stomach bug,” etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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Names of people to remember (tour guide, interviewer, admission officer, professor, etc.)

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Distinctive features of the school (What is it promoting about itself? What is its claim to fame?)

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Academic programs (strong majors, popular courses, classes I would love), including any special programs (engineering, architecture, dance, etc.)

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Core or General Education requirements (foreign language, math, science); possibility of double major or minor, pre-professional advising (pre-med, pre-law, pre-business)

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Career counseling (Does the school help students find internships, jobs? Where do graduates go?)

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Appeal of the physical campus (buildings, grounds, neighborhood, dorms, facilities for art, athletics, etc.)

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Off-campus opportunities (Does the surrounding town/city offer additional social outlets, internship opportunities, or cultural opportunities that students take advantage of?)

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Extracurricular programs in my areas of interest

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Quality of life (food, housing, social activities, community spirit).

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Students (Are they happy? Energized? Are they academically motivated? Are there students like me here? Would I fit in?)

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Relationships among students, and between students, faculty, and administrators? (What are “hot topics” on campus? Do people talk about tension, recent changes, problems?)

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Admissions profile (important criteria, testing requirements, essay topics) \_\_\_\_\_

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My general impressions (both positive and negative)

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Definitely on my college list \_\_\_\_\_ Maybe on my list \_\_\_\_\_ Off my list \_\_\_\_\_