

WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR IN A COLLEGE?

Ten questionable reasons for selecting a college:

1. The baseball/basketball/football team is great.
2. I heard the classes are easy.
3. All of the students/people there are good looking.
4. My mom/dad/aunt/uncle/brother/sister went there.
5. It is cheap and the only place my parents will pay for.
6. My girlfriend/boyfriend/friends is/are going there.
7. I heard that you party all the time and can miss class.
8. Everybody says it is a good school.
9. Due to location, I can surf/ski/hang out any time.
10. I want to find myself.

Ten better reasons for selecting a college:

1. My proposed major area of study is offered.
2. The school has a good reputation in my area of study.
3. I can live at home and commute as classes are offered at flexible times and there is public transportation.
4. The campus is away from home, but not too far away.
5. The small classes allow for opportunities to interact with instructors.
6. The quality of the library (e.g., computer labs, student center) is top notch.
7. Costs are reasonable and student aid is available.
8. It will be easy to transfer to another institution.
9. I can get a good job with my degree and major.
10. I have no idea of my major, but I can easily explore different areas to help me choose one.