

# 32 Questions to Ask Recruiters

College coaches and recruiters will ask plenty of questions during the recruiting process to learn more about a student-athlete. And, it is just as important that the student-athlete asks them questions too. Just as recruiters are trying to find players that best fit their program, each student-athlete needs to find out which schools best fits them. The NCAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee has developed a list of questions that student-athlete can ask recruiters to help you choose the best school.

## ATHLETIC QUESTIONS

1. What position will I play on our team?
2. Can you describe the other players competing at my position?
3. Can I "redshirt" my freshman year?
4. What are the physical requirements each year?
5. How would you best describe your coaching style?
6. What is your game plan?
7. When does the contract of the head coach expire?
8. Please describe the preferred, invited and uninvited walk-on situation.
9. How many make it, compete and earn scholarships?
10. Is medical insurance required for my participation?
11. If so, is it provided by the college?
12. If I am seriously hurt while competing, who is responsible for my medical expenses?
13. What happens if I want to transfer to another school?

## ACADEMIC QUESTIONS

1. What are the strengths and weaknesses of the academic department I choose to major in?
2. Describe your academic support program.
3. What percentage of players on scholarship graduate in 4 years?
4. If I am diagnosed and documented with a disability, what kind of academic services are available?
5. Are there restrictions in scheduling classes around practice?

## COLLEGE LIFE

1. What is the typical class size?
2. What are the residence halls like?
3. Will I be required to live on campus throughout my athletic career?
4. What is a typical day for a student-athlete?

## FINANCIAL AID

1. What are the details of financial aid at your institution?
2. How long does a scholarship last? Year-to-year or is it a 4-year commitment?
3. If I am injured, what happens to my financial aid?
4. What are my opportunities for employment while I am a student?
5. How much financial aid is available for summer school?
6. Under what circumstances would my scholarship be reduced or cancelled?
7. Are there academic criteria needed to maintain my scholarship?
8. What scholarship money is available if I suffer an athletic career ending injury?
9. What scholarship money is available after eligibility is exhausted to help me complete my degree?
10. Will my scholarship be maintained if there is a change in coaches?



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