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Welcome to Terminale University Evening Class of 2027

September 2, 2026



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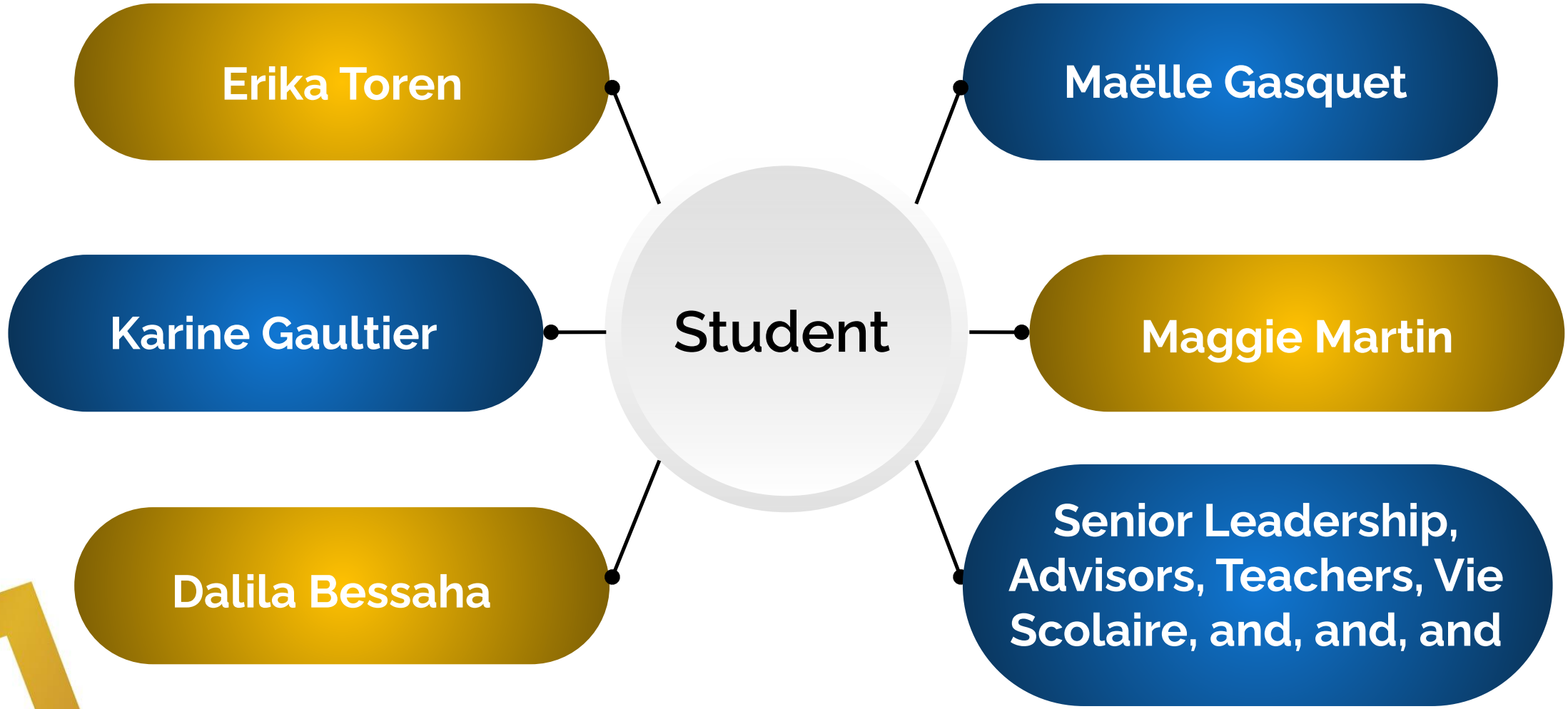
Meet the University Advising Team



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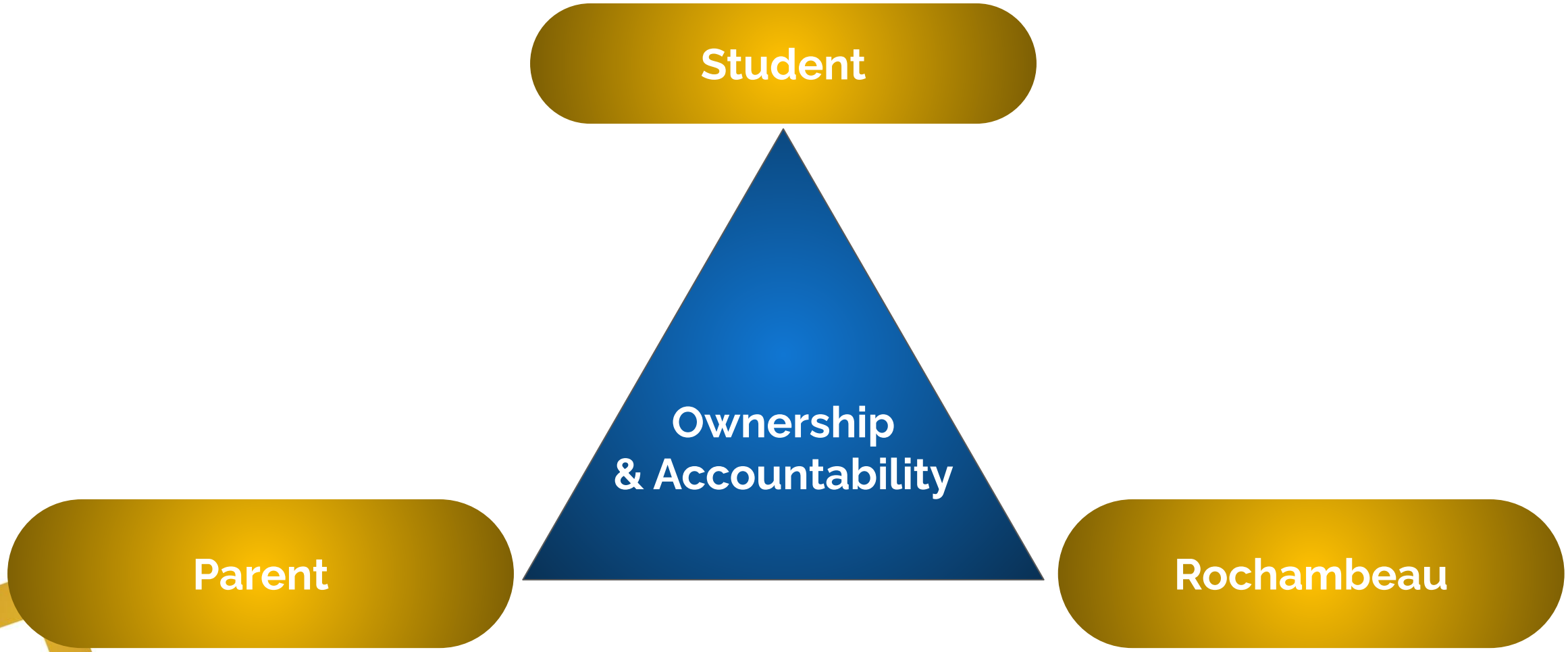

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The Journey

Applying

- Which countries? Which universities?
- Which major?
- What are the deadlines?
- How do I apply?
- What exams do I need to take?
- How much will it cost?

Waiting

- What if I am unsuccessful?
- Did I make the right choices?
- How long do I have to wait?
- Why are other students getting offers but I am not?

Deciding

- How do I make my final choice?
- Will I get enough financial aid?
- What will happen if I don't get the grades?
- What if I change my mind?

Where the Terminale Student Should Be Now

- You should have met with your advisor or have scheduled a meeting
- You should have a final list of colleges and universities
- You should have a draft of a personal statement/essay/letter of intent
- If applying to the US, you should have asked two teachers to write letters of recommendation
- You should have finished your US testing
- You should have registered for UK tests
- You should be planning your time with visitors

University Visits Are Part of the Process

- From September- December
  - We have 25+ visits from university admissions officers

    FRANCE USA CANADA

    UK SPAIN
- Updated schedule is in SCOIR - must register to attend!
- Most meetings are scheduled during lunch in the University Conference Room
- There are many reasons to attend…

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Higher Education in the US and the UK



US

- College/Institute/University
- 4 year BA/BS
- 2 years undecided / 2 years concentrating on a major or double major
- Core curriculum that includes different disciplines
- Students have the option to change courses, study different subjects, or study abroad



UK

- Course-Specific
- 3 year BA/BS
- + 1 year study abroad or sandwich year
- 4 year degree in Scotland
- Students choose one subject to study
- Joint or shared courses
- No required subjects outside of your field of major

Application Quick Facts



US

- Transcript
- Rigor of course load
- Test scores: SAT, ACT, TOEFL/IELTS
- Quality of essays
- Extracurriculars
- Recommendations
- Other factors: diversity, legacy, and special talents, demonstrated interest, ED/EA



UK

- French Bac or Full IB Diploma
- Commitment to subject via personal statement and activities.
- Counselor recommendation (Referee)
- SAT, ACT, TOEFL/IELTS and UK tests
- Transcript for some courses (ie: University of Edinburgh)

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How To Apply



US

- Transcripts and school forms sent by Rochambeau
- Two teacher recommendations
- One counselor recommendation
- Common Application (exceptions)
- Essay(s)
- Test scores electronically sent to universities by student



UK

- Student Personal Statement
- Reference written by College Counselor
- UCAS application
- May apply to five schools on UCAS
- Usually apply to the same or similar course at each university
- Foundation year option

Applying to Other Countries

France
- See our French expert, Mme Gaultier

Canada
- No letter of recommendation, no tests, some provincial applications (i.e. Ontario), many scholarships, cheaper for Canadians and other, schools ranked in the top 100

Germany
- Free for everyone, can stay and work in any field, 80% in English, several top private universities 100% English

Holland
- US style Liberal Arts colleges in English, dozens of Bachelors under €10,000, schools ranked in the top 100

Applying to Other Countries

Spain, Italy, Switzerland (EU)

- Programs of various prices, public in native tongue, private in English

Poland, Hungary, Czech Republic (Eastern Europe)

- Oldest medical universities in the world, love IB, teach in English, low cost, need more med students

China, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Singapore (Asia)

- Many top schools like NYU Shanghai, NUS, Yonsei Underwood

Australia

- *Group of 8*, no tests, no letters of recommendation, scholarships, degrees in law and medicine transfer easily to most Asian and other countries.

Deadlines

Sept.. 1:
Final College List

Oct. 1:
UCAS Oxbridge
UCAS Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Medicine
USA Early Decision or Early Action

Nov. 1:
All other UCAS and/or US or any other countries

Dec. 1:
All all all applications complete

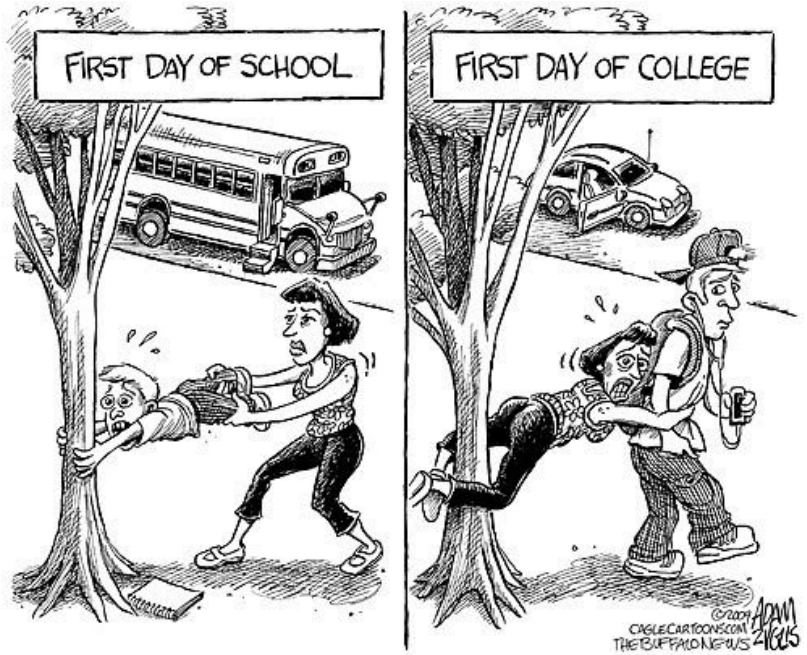
***Suggested maximum of 10 worldwide applications*

Fit


Programs
Reputation
Faculty
Diversity
Location
Size
Distance from home
Sports
Cost
Financial Aid

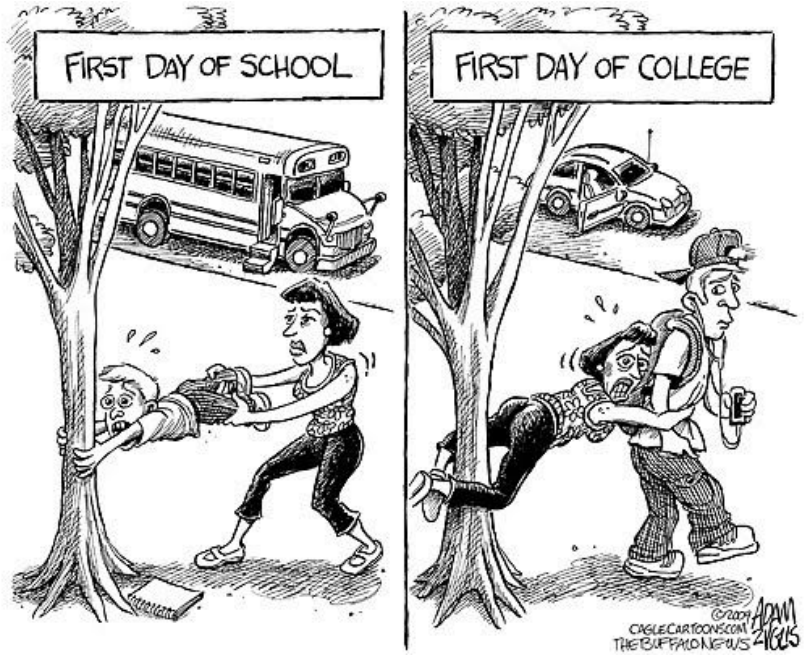
Parent Tips

- Embolden your child to do well in school while creating realistic goals
- Encourage your child to engage in their passions and to be themselves
- Consider “hidden gems” as possible college matches for your child
- Look beyond “big name” schools and rankings, focus on fit
- Let your child take ownership; this is their pathway



Student Tips

- Talk to your parents about the process
- Ask for a budget
- Ask for help
- Look beyond “big name” schools and rankings, focus on fit AND HAPPINESS
- Take ownership; this is my journey



Let us earn your trust.
We are here to help!

QUESTIONS?