# Freshmen College Trip Activity

*Before arriving to the college read over this packet so you know what to expect. On the bus ride, take the* ***College Knowledge Quiz****. This quiz will help to refresh your memory on some of the terms used on a college campus.*

## College Knowledge Quiz

1. When you arrive on campus, you will see undergraduates going to class.

What is an undergraduate?

A. A college student who has graduated but is still attending class

B. A college student who has not yet earned a college degree

C. College professors

D. People visiting the campus.

2. Most of the undergraduates you see on campus are studying for a degree that you

can get in four or five years from a college or university. What is the name of that degree?

A. Associate Degree

B. License

C. Bachelor’s Degree

D. Certificate

3. Which one of the following is NOT the name of a degree?

A. Associate Degree

B. Bachelor’s Degree

C. Master’s Degree

D. License Degree

4. While studying for their degree, undergraduates focus upon a specific subject.

This is called a \_\_\_\_\_\_.



A. Major

B. License

C. Selection

D. Resume

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5. Many (but not all) college professors have earned PhDs. What does PhD stand for?

A. A degree that stands for Doctor of Philosophy

B. A degree that stands for Doctor of Physics

C. A degree that stands for Doctor of Physiology

D. A degree that stands for Doctor of Phun!

6. What is the proper way to address a college professor?

A. Mr. or Mrs.

B. Principal

C. Dr. or Professor

D. Officer

7. You will probably see a residence hall when you go to campus. What’s a residence hall?

A. A building where classes are held

B. A building where college students live

C. A building where college professors live

D. A hallway that has pictures of everyone in the college/university.

8. We will talk about financial aid when we are on campus. Which of the following is NOT a form of financial aid?

A. Transcript

B. Scholarship

C. Grant

D. Loan

9. To go to a four-year university, you need to a college entrance exam. Which pair of tests are the official college entrance exams?

A. CAT/UEE

B. GPA/GNP

C. SAT/ACT

D. PSAT/PLAN

10. Why do people go to college?

A. To further their education.

B. To earn more money

C. To reach a career goal

D. All of the above

# While at the College

*The purpose of this field trip is to introduce you to the experience of college life. It is hard to fit everything into a one-day trip, so you will need to be attentive at all times. While you are on the trip you will need to learn the answers to the questions below* ***for EACH college we visit****. You may bring this sheet with you or you can take notes in a small notebook, then answer the questions at home. Record your answers on the sheet provided. This packet is due the next time we have class.*

**College Questions**

Housing

* Number (and percent) of students living on campus
* Do a majority of students stay on campus on weekends
* Co-ed dorms; by floors; by wing
* Microwaves; hot pads; irons; refrigerators aloud in dorms?
* Laundry facilities
* Telephone in each room; voice mail; restrictions; high-speed internet; wireless
* Policies regarding drinking, smoking, pets, etc…
* Residential Assistant opportunities; Sophomore, Junior, or Senior year

Meal Plan

* Meal plans? Mandatory for Freshmen?
* Number of dining rooms; hours open

Security

* Campus lighting
* Courtesy vans; how often? How late?
* Operated by campus security staff or by students

Transportation

* Buses and trains; how far away? Can students walk to the station?
* Cars on campus for Freshmen; parking permit; fees
* Local mass transportation

Academics

* Semesters vs. trimesters vs. quarters
* Average number of courses
* Average size of classes
* Courses taught by professors vs. teaching assistants
* How often do students meet with their advisors?
* Extra help and tutors
* Computer facilities
* What kind of work are the students doing; papers, written exams,

projects, portfolios, etc.

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Library

* Hours
* Consortium with other college library systems

Athletics

* NCAA-Division I, II, III, NAIA or Independent
* School spirit – spectator sports
* Intramural sports participation
* Sports facilities; pool, skating rink, racquetball courts, weight rooms, etc. for all students

Recreation

* Student center activities
* On-campus plays, shows, concerts; can non-majors participate?
* Off-campus facilities; how far away?
* Distance from skiing, boating, etc….

Shopping

* Groceries
* Malls

Fraternities & Sororities

* Number of each
* On-campus; off-campus houses
* Percent of student population who join

Work Study & Internships

* On-campus work-study jobs; number of hours/week; hourly pay rate
* Internships in campus offices
* Internships available in local companies; who is eligible; number of weeks long
* Career Placement office on-campus; effectiveness

Study Abroad

* Availability; what countries & universities
* Who can participate?
* Length of opportunities
* Costs

Religion

* Mandatory courses or services
* Opportunity to attend services on-campus; off-campus; how far?

Clubs & Organizations

* Students encouraged to join; percent of students participating?
* How many on-campus?

# College Questions Answer Sheet

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| Category | Clemson Answers | Anderson U Answers |
| Housing |  |  |
| Meal Plan |  |  |
| Security |  |  |
| Transportation |  |  |
| Academics |  |  |
| Library |  |  |
| Athletics |  |  |
| Recreation |  |  |
| Shopping |  |  |
| Fraternities & Sororities |  |  |
| Work Study |  |  |
| Study Abroad |  |  |
| Religion |  |  |
| Clubs and Organizations |  |  |

# Post-College Visit CSE

Visiting a college campus can be an eye-opening experience. Many students who visit college find it quite different from what they expected. Please share about your trip; describe your experience visiting the campus and how it changed your perceptions of college.

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| C  (3-5 Sentences) | Which of the two types of schools could you picture yourself attending? Why? |
| S  (5-7 sentences) | Give at least two supporting reasons for your assertion. What are specific qualities/characteristics that make you feel you would be comfortable in that environment? |
| E  (3-5 sentences) | How has this visit influenced your plans for applying to college? |