

## Organizing Important College Selection Factors Worksheet

The following is an alphabetical list of factors that can be used to narrow your college choice. We suggest you print this worksheet and use it to identify, rank, and group the factors that are important to you.

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Factor</u>	<u>Description</u>
___	<b>Academic programs</b>	Majors, certificates, degrees, courses
___	<b>Athletics</b>	Both intercollegiate and intramural
___	<b>Cost/Financial Aid</b>	Is it affordable with or without financial assistance? How much financial aid is available?
___	<b>Extracurricular activities</b>	Clubs and organizations
___	<b>Facilities</b>	Modern or outdated buildings? Art studios, libraries, athletic facilities, laboratories and other school activities?
___	<b>Friends</b>	Are you likely to be with people you like? Are any of your friends going?
___	<b>Housing</b>	Availability of on- and off-campus housing. On-campus requirements. Style: dorm or apartments
___	<b>Intangibles</b>	How does it feel? Are there qualities, services or other factors that are attractive?
___	<b>Location</b>	Where do you want to be? How far from home, big city, small city do you want to be?
___	<b>Recommendations</b>	From family, friends, teachers, counselors
___	<b>Scholarships</b>	Do you qualify?
___	<b>Selectivity</b>	How difficult is it to get in? What are the academic qualifications of students who have been admitted?
___	<b>Size</b>	How big is it? What are typical class sizes?
___	<b>Specialization</b>	Liberal arts, technology, arts, business...
___	<b>Technology</b>	Are computers accessible at lots of locations?
___	<b>Weather</b>	Hot, cold, sunny, rainy

**Wrap your head around college.**