

# The College Visit Minute

A written account of college recruiting visits to Cambridge High School Campus for those that can't attend by *The CHS Center*

**School: University of Rochester**      **Date: 8/29/16**

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**Is the Rep a school Alum?** No

**Is the Rep involved in the admissions process?** Yes

**Last year's Freshman Profile:** GPA- 3.8    SAT- Reading: 600-710, Math: 640-750, Writing: 610-710    ACT- 29-33

**GPA -How is it calculated?** They look at GPA within context of the rigor of classes taken. **Core vs. Cumulative?** Core  
**Weighted vs. unweighted?** Unweighted. No points added for AP classes.

**ACT/SAT – Written Portion? - Super score?** Yes SAT. Yes ACT.

Test-flexible policy and holistic review process allow for a variety of test results to be considered for admission. Can submit AP exam results in lieu of SAT/ACT. A secondary essay, a research abstract or a creative work (video, etc.) can also be submitted.

**Rigor - What are the average AP requirements?** No specific AP requirements, however rigor is assessed based upon courses offered vs. courses taken. AP exam scores needed vary by department and range between 4 and 5.

**Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for?** This is a Tier 1 Research university. 77% of undergraduate students are involved in research. They “learn by doing”. An applicant that displays involvement in research may be eligible for an innovation grant (up to \$3K).

**Most popular majors at this school:** STEM oriented majors: bio-medical engineering, biology, bio-chemistry, engineering, psychology, etc.

**For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for the Academic Common Market?** N/A

**Does chosen major affect decision process?** No. All students begin as “undecided”. Every Freshman student takes a writing class (20 max in class) and is assigned a pre-major advisor (1 advisor/10 students).

**Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs?** Study abroad programs available to over 35 countries. Unique “Take Five Scholars Program” allows students to pursue broader academic interests for a 5<sup>th</sup> year – tuition free. Area of study must be entirely different from student's major. 100 students/year apply and about half are accepted into program.

**Internships / Co-Op Opportunities?** 95% of students participate in internships.

**Research Opportunities?** Yes. Extensive research opportunities, on your own, in teams or as part of faculty-directed projects. Students may submit their work to be published in the university's *Journal of Undergraduate Research*.

**Special successes the school is known for:**

**Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students?** All applicants are assessed for merit scholarships during the admission process. No specific scholarships for Georgia students.

**When are scholarship deadlines?** n/a

<b>What is the Total cost of Attendance?</b>	<b><u>In-State</u></b>	<b><u>Out of State</u></b>
Tuition & Fees	\$48,290	No difference from in-state.
Room & Board	\$14,364	This is a private university.
Books & Supplies	<u>\$1,310</u>	
<b>Total per Year (Two Semesters)</b>	<b>\$63,964</b>	

**Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed?** Visit website: [www.enrollment.rochester.edu](http://www.enrollment.rochester.edu)

**Is there a “Scholar Day” for Honors bound students?**

## Applications

**When are application deadlines?** Early decision = Nov. 1, Regular decision = Jan. 5. Due by 12:00am EST.

**Is an essay required for all decision options?** Common Application or Universal College Application (including supplements)

**Are letters of Recommendation required or suggested?** Teacher/counselor recommendations are required.

**Is an in-person interview required or suggested?** Interview is highly recommended. Can be in-person or even via Skype.

**What does the school look for in each “round” of decisions?**

**Does the school use the Common App?** Yes.

**How many applicants are received per year?** 16,980

applied, 5,768 admitted, 1,275 enrolled. 34% acceptance rate. 26% enrolled via early decision.

**How much is the application fee?**

**Are there quotas for applicant acceptance?**

## Campus Life

**NCAA Criteria, (Division I, II, etc.)?** Division III Baseball, Basketball, Soccer, Lacrosse, Field Hockey. Division I Squash.

Are sporting events free? Is there a ticket lottery?

**Do freshmen live on campus?** Yes. 90% of students live on campus. **Are cars allowed?** No. Parking is lacking.

**What are the dorms like: hall-style, suite-style, or apartment-style? Living & Learning Dorms?** There are traditional dorms, suites, apartments. All have air conditioning. There are also underground tunnels on campus.

**Campus Life (requirements, restaurants/cafeterias, clubs/activities, etc.)** The 154-acre River Campus—the main campus—is located about two miles south of downtown Rochester, New York, by a bend in the Genesee River. There are running/biking trails along the river. 275+ student organizations. 23 varsity sports. Club sports.

**What is the undergraduate enrollment?** 6,046

**Total enrollment?** 11,105

**Percentage of male: female –** 48% female, 52% male and 69% out-of-state.

**Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students –** 31% in-state

**Percentage of students participating in Greek Life –** 24%

**Where is the school located?** Rochester, New York. 10-15 minutes away from airport.

**How far is it from Milton?** 950 miles, 15 hours of driving.

**Other:** University of Rochester has an “open curriculum.” There are no required subjects. No general education requirements. Students choose the courses that interest them.