

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*

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Is the Rep a school Alum? No, but husband is and daughter is a current student. **Is the Rep involved in the admissions process?** Yes.

Last year's Freshman Profile: GPA - 3.6-4.0 SAT - 1160 - 1360 (Middle 50%) ACT – Composite 25-31. Writing scores are no longer required

GPA -How is it calculated? Core vs. Cumulative? Weighted vs. Unweighted? Cumulative and weighted

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? Super Score? SAT super scored. ACT, take the highest composite score submitted. Can submit both SAT and ACT

Rigor - What are the average AP requirements? Purdue is very holistic in its approach to admissions. They are looking for steady progression during HS and rigor is important. Engineering and healthcare majors should have strong math and science scores. www.admissions.purdue.edu will give information for expectations for HS course work.

Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for? Purdue is looking for well rounded students.

Most popular majors at this school: There are over 200 majors at Purdue. Engineering is a one of the most popular.

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? Yes, if entering Engineering program your test scores in math to be higher. Nursing majors need strong science background.

Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs? Yes, over 400 programs available.

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? Largest career fair for students in the US. Students are able to get internships as freshman and Co-ops are also available with many students hired as seniors. Companies include Delta Airlines, Apple, Google, Coca-Cola, Disney, Tesla, NASA, CVS, Amazon and many more.

Research Opportunities? Yes. Discovery Park, located on campus has many research opportunities in many different areas. Over 2000 research opportunities

Special successes the school is known for: #9 Engineering school in the US, #1 Agricultural and Biological Engineering, #3 Best career support services, Top 5 Public university in US. 24 Astronauts went to Purdue.

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? Out of state students, but not specific to GA

When are scholarship deadlines? November 1st is the deadline to be considered for the full range of Purdue Scholarships and Honors College. Application must be complete. Early Action, non-binding deadline.

What is the Total cost of Attendance?

	<u>Out of State</u>	
Tuition & Fees	\$28,804*	* some programs have additional fees
Room & Board	\$ 10,030	
Total Per Year (Two Semesters)	\$ 38,834	

Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed? www.Admissions.purdue.edu/visit

Is there a "Scholar Day" for Honors bound students?

Applications

When are application deadlines? Different decisions: Early Action, Binding, Early Decision, Regular Decision, Rolling? Nov 1st for Early Action, non-binding. Nov 1st FIRM deadline for Nursing, Veterinary Nurse, Professional Flight Technology and Computer Science. With the exception of those listed above, Purdue will accept applications until Jan 1st.

Is an essay required for all decision options? Essay on the Common App and "Why Purdue," statement.

Are letters of Recommendation required or suggested? Not required but highly recommended, especially for Honors College, Scholarships and highly competitive programs.

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? Possible but not required.

What does the school look for in each "round" of decisions? Holistic in approach and look for required course work from HS, overall GPA as well as core GPA, strong grades related to chosen major, SAT/ACT, trends in achievement, recommendation from HS counselor.

Does the school use the Common App? Yes. Also Coalition How many applicants are received per year? 48,916 (2018)

How much is the application fee? \$60 Are there quotas for applicant acceptance?

Campus Life

NCAA Criteria (Division I, II, etc.)? Big 10, Division I

Are sporting events free? Is there a ticket lottery? Buy a Boarding Pass for \$99 for all football and basketball. \$50 more for a "paint crew" pass

Do freshmen live on campus? Are cars allowed? Students not required to live on campus but 95% do. Freshmen do not need to have cars, there is a shuttle service that is free for students to provide transportation.

What are the dorms like: hall-style, suite-style, apartment-style? Living & Learning Dorms? All types of dorm styles. Private housing w/ 1 roommate. Brand new honors residence in 2016. 18 residence halls with different themes, living options and cultures.

Campus Life (requirements, restaurants/cafeterias, clubs/activities, etc.) 5 dining halls, in the top 25 in the US. Farm to table options, Vegan and Vegetarian. Specialty diets are accommodated.

What is the undergraduate enrollment/Total enrollment? 31,006/ 41,573 ~ 7567 size of freshmen class

Percentage of male: female – 55.5%/44.5% Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students – 53%/31%

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life – 20% undergrads in Greek system, over 80 chapters. 3rd largest Greek system in US

Where is the school located? West Lafayette, IN Pop 100,000 2 hours South of Chicago, 45 minutes from Indianapolis

How far is it from Milton? 9 hour drive or hour flight to Indianapolis and shuttle ride

Other:

- Average class size of 31
- "Old Masters" program to help students acclimate to Purdue Life. Past Alums come to speak.
- Research is a big deal- Changing the world working with Nobel Laureates
- 91% job placement after graduation
- Leadership center for the more than 1000 organizations on campus
- 3rd largest Greek system
- Up-to-date electronics including white tables, 24 hour labs and computer labs.
- Amazon store on campus. Next day delivery for textbooks and presents from Mom
- President trying to make college more affordable- Have 3 year majors available. Being proactive about the cost of college.