THE ADMISSIONS INTERVIEW

Questions You May Be Asked

1. Why are you considering this college? (READ THE MATERIALS)

2. What do you expect to be doing 10 years from now?

3. If you were the principal of your school, what would you change? (Or any variation, such as president.)

4. What do you have to bring to our school?

5. What newspapers and magazines do you read? (Don't lie - be prepared to discuss issues that might be timely.)

6. What books not required in your courses have you read recently? (If it's trashy books, you might want to prepare something else - if it's science fiction or mysteries, admit it.)

7. If you could speak with any one living person, whom would it be and why?

8. What television shows do you watch? (Don't fake it - be yourself)

9. How do you feel about:
   Gun Control
   Prison Reform
   Nuclear Power
   The Use of Drugs and Alcohol

10. What is the most important thing you've learned in high school?

11. What events have changed your life?

12. How would your best friend describe you?

13. What extra curricular activities have you found the most satisfying?

14. How do you spend the time after school?

15. What do you expect to get from your college experience?

You may or may not be asked some of these things but it's a good idea to prepare. Role-play with a friend or parent acting as the interviewer, then reverse roles. Show by example how terrific you are. Even though you rehearse you should be spontaneous and appear natural. Above all listen to the interviewer. Be positive - be honest - be yourself - send a thank you note. Good Luck!
Questions To Ask

1. How many students in last year's freshman class returned for their sophomore year?

2. What procedure is used for class placement? (Important in areas of English and mathematics because freshman often vary significantly in their ability to handle these skills.)

3. How is the faculty advisor assigned? How is this done if the student is undecided about his/her major?

4. What kind of additional academic services does your college offer at no additional cost to the student (e.g., tutoring, counseling, study skills workshops, improving reading speed, etc.)?

5. What percent of the student body lives on campus?

6. What are some of the activities planned for students on campus during weekends?

7. How are roommates selected if no preference is listed?

8. What are some of the rules and regulations that govern dorms? Are these co-ed halls?

9. What percent of your students received financial aid? What percent received scholarships based on academics? What percent of a typical financial aid package is in the form of a loan?

10. If a room deposit is required, when is it due and when is it refundable?

11. If my family demonstrates financial need on the FAF or FFS forms, what percent of the need will typically be awarded and when can I expect to receive official notice of the award?

12. What is the typical size of a Freshman English class?