



University Information Evening

March 12, 2019

2019-2020 SAT test dates

May 4, 2019

October 5, 2019

November 2, 2019 (Subject and Listening tests only)

December 7, 2019

May 2, 2020

1. Ownership

2. Realism

3. Fit

Students: this is your future - own it.

- 1) Where do you want to be 18 or 30
Months from now?
- 2) What do you have to do to get there?

What do you want college to do for you?

To help answer this question, choose the 3 values that are most important to you.

- _____ A. To provide me with a place to learn and study.
- _____ B. To provide me with opportunities to interact with teachers in and outside of the classroom.
- _____ C. To provide me with lots of fun experiences.
- _____ D. To prepare me to make a lot of money.
- _____ E. To provide me with recognition for accomplishments.
- _____ F. To get politically involved and/or to use much of my college years to help those who are disadvantaged.
- _____ G. To prepare me for a career.
- _____ H. To enable me to be more independent.
- _____ I. To provide opportunities for me to grow religiously or spiritually.
- _____ J. To provide me with a variety of new experiences.
- _____ K. To let me receive a degree from a prestigious school.

Where do I start?

BridgeU Strategy Advisor

BridgeU Profile Builder

BridgeU University Matches

For the US: www.collegeexpress.com and
www.unigo.com/

For the UK: www.ucas.com

For the Netherlands: www.studyinholland.com

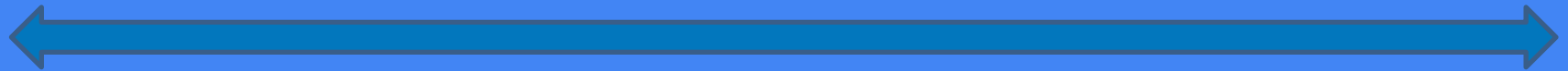
For Canada: <https://www.universitystudy.ca/>

How many schools should I apply to?

Pick ten to twelve:

- One Wild Card (1%-10%)
- Two Low Chance of Acceptance (11%-20%)
- Four to five Medium Chance of Acceptance (21%-50%)
- Three to four High Chance of Acceptance (51%+)

Comparing Universities



More specialized

More exploratory

“Specialized” here means to take classes in mostly one type of subject for all years of study.

“Exploratory” here means to take classes in a wide range of subjects before specializing later.

What do US colleges look for?

First gate: Academics

- 1) Grades in College Prep Courses
- 2) Grades in All Courses
- 3) Strength of Curriculum
- 4) Admission Test Scores (SAT, ACT)

Second gate: Holistic

Essays, letters of rec, ECAs, interviews

UK universities:

Students evaluated primarily on academic criteria:

- have the most academic ability and potential
- will benefit from and flourish in the university learning environment
- are best suited to the **course** they applied for

5 things to look for in your college search as a CCK (According to [Denizen](#) magazine)

- 1. Proximity to a City (or at least a good college/ university town).**
- 2. Regional Differences.**
- 3. International Student Organizations.**
- 4. Study Abroad Program.**
- 5. Career Opportunities Nearby (or availability through career services).**

I'm in Grade 11 and it's March - what now?

1. Work to the best of your ability in all your classes.
2. Prepare for any entrance exams you need to take (SAT, for example).
3. Begin working on essays/personal statement.
4. Rock out on extracurriculars (CAS)
5. Look into summer programs & campus visits.
6. Create your college list - do your research.

Resources

For research and self-knowledge

<http://schoolbuff.com/index.asp>

<https://www.collegexpress.com/lists/explore/>

<https://www.jobsearchintelligence.com/etc/collegebuddy.php>

University Admissions Blogs

<https://pwp.gatech.edu/admission-blog/>

<https://mitadmissions.org/blogs/>

<http://uvaapplication.blogspot.com/>

Next Steps



- The information provided tonight will be posted on the College Corner section of the EAB website.
- I will be meeting with all juniors between now and May.
- Grade 11 students will be expected to complete the Strategy Advisor by the end of the school year, as well as have a preliminary list of schools in Naviance.
- Grade 11 students should also ask for recommendations from teachers so that they may plan ahead and write them over the summer if.
- Please never hesitate to contact me to set up an individual meeting.

Thank you!!

Top 25 Transcript Receiving Universities in North America



Transcript totals represent receipt before the date of September 1, 2018.

