

ScholarMatch



College Research Worksheet

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Directions

1. You will be researching Skidmore College for this activity.
2. Using the school's website, [BigFuture](#), [College Scorecard](#), [ScholarMatcher](#), and/or [College Navigator](#) complete the College Research Worksheet below.
3. You can write your comments/answers directly on this document. However, you will be asked to enter your individual responses via this submission form listed on the [College Coach Training Page](#). **If you want, you can download this as a word document (under "File">"Download">"Microsoft Word") to jot down your responses or save it as a google document.**
4. Information may be slightly different depending on where sources are gathered from. For instance, the student-to-teacher ratio will be different on BigFuture and College Scorecard. This is okay.

Tips: We created a [tutorial](#) on how to navigate Big Future and our in-house search engine, the ScholarMatcher. Click here for a tutorial on the [College Navigator](#). Click here to learn more about [College Scorecard](#).

Admission and Basic Information: Using Big Future

You can use any of the aforementioned resources to locate this information, including the college's website. Each website provides very similar data and information, in various formats and likings to each user. When using [BigFuture](#) (or you can also use the Education Department's [College Scorecard](#) tool), locate the following information:

Admission Rate (<i>Hint: Click on "Applying" to locate</i>):	First-Year Retention (% of students who return after their first year):	Graduation Rate (% of students who graduate within six years):
Student Body #:	Student to Faculty Ratio:	Setting (<i>Urban, medium-sized city,</i>

		rural, etc.):
Middle 50th%/Average GPA (Range, if available):	Average SAT Verbal & Math Scores/Range:	Cost of Attendance (COA): (Cost of attendance includes tuition/fees, room/board, personal expenses, transportation, and books)
% of Financial Need Met:	% of Financial Aid that is Scholarships/Grants:	Average debt at graduation (The typical amount of loans a student must pay back):
Racial/ethnic diversity (What % of the student body falls into each of the following Ed. Dept. categories from the College Scorecard?)* Asian: Pacific Islander: Black: Native American: Latinx: White:		Socio-economic diversity: What % of the student body received an income-based federal Pell Grant intended for low-income students? (You can find this information on College Scorecard)

Academic Life: You can find this information on the college website.

1. What are two noteworthy academic programs, majors, and/or research programs?
2. What is one thing that makes this college stand out?

College Support and Activities: College website

1. What resources are available at this college to support BIPOC, first-generation, rural, low-income, neurodivergent, disabled, and/or LGBTQ+ students? Please name at least one resource per category. (For example, the multicultural office, writing or tutoring center, first-gen experience programs, residence hall experience, etc.)
2. What are two noteworthy student groups or extracurricular activities?

*ScholarMatch acknowledges that this partial list is incomplete, and that there is a complex conversation to be had about these Ed. Dept. categories and terms, but for the purposes of this training assignment, it's useful to run these basic numbers.