



Tips for applying to schools

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Unlike many universities in Europe, most schools in the US allow students to switch majors much more efficiently. This means in my personal experience, I did not choose schools based on my major as they all offered all of my interests. Instead I would recommend considering these factors when applying:

1. The location of the school is very important. Every state in the US is very different, has unique locations and diverse people. Campus location is also very important because it can alter your entire college experience. Think about your preference when it comes to campus style. City campuses are usually in the hearts of cities and the buildings are spread across. Rural campuses are located farther away from large cities, and maintain more of a “campus structure” where all the buildings in the area are connected to the school.
2. The size of the school is an influential factor when it comes to decision making. If a “homey” environment is something you feel more comfortable in then search the population before applying. School sizes range significantly in the US and affect the overall experience in and out of the classroom.
3. Make sure to explore clubs and student organizations. Each college has different options with different characteristics and personalities. Find your interests within the school before applying as academics should not be the only thing you consider.

For all of these factors, it is definitely helpful to visit the campus. If you are unable to do so, many schools offer virtual tours or details and pictures of the campus on their websites.