

College Rankings Research Worksheet

Researching and ranking colleges can be daunting yet exciting. Use the instructions on the next page to guide you through this worksheet.

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College Rankings Research Worksheet: Instructions

1 Personal strategy and/or reminder as I research and rank colleges:

Jot down an overarching theme, strategy, or reminder that you have for yourself to keep you anchored during research and ranking. Examples:

- "Rank the maximum number of schools that are a good fit for me to increase my chances of being matched."
- "Research and be open to colleges I have never heard of before."
- A reminder to breathe and take your time, or an inspirational quote that has helped you along the college application process or your life.

2 Factors for my happiness and success:

Think about the things you are looking for in a college and categorize them below. Remember to reflect upon different kinds of fit. Examples:

- Academic: Available majors and minors, freedom to personalize curriculum
- Community & Social: Student body size, diversity, student interest organizations
- Geographic: Distance from home, seasons and weather, urban or suburban

Non-Negotiables	Like-To-Haves	Low Priorities
<p>Factors that absolutely mean the most to me.</p> <p>As concise as I can manage.</p> <p>Schools I rank should reflect these non-negotiables.</p>	<p>Everything I would like to have, but don't absolutely need.</p> <p>Should be most comprehensive list out of the three.</p>	<p>Factors I decide I can ignore almost completely.</p> <p>When compared to a full four-year scholarship, what's not that important?</p>

3 QuestBridge college partners that I am:

Review QuestBridge college partners and categorize them below.

Very familiar with	Relatively familiar with	Unfamiliar with
Schools I know well because of family, friends, proximity, or teachers.	Schools I recognize or have heard of and would like to do more research on.	Schools I do not easily recognize or have not heard of and should research further.

4 QuestBridge college partners that I will:

Research college partners listed in section 3 to determine whether they have your specific fit factors you listed in section 2. Through research, categorize the college partners below.

Look carefully at the schools in your "Definitely" and "Most likely" categories, and place them in a ranked order of preference. You can rank up to 12 college partners. Remember, you must be willing to attend any of these schools if you are matched!

When ready, submit the Rankings Form and Match Agreement Form.

Definitely rank	Most likely rank	Most likely not rank/Save for Regular Decision