

The College Visit Minute

A written account of college recruiting visits to Cambridge High School Campus for those that can't attend by *The CHS Center*

School: Duke

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Is the Rep a school Alum? Yes

Is the Rep involved in the admissions process? Yes

Last year's Freshman Profile: GPA -

SAT -

ACT -

GPA -How is it calculated? They do not recalculate **Core vs Cumulative?** Weighted vs. Unweighted?

No minimum GPA requirement or class rank. Most students who apply are in the top 10% of their class.

Class rank and GPA are considered in the context of each school

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? Yes **Super Score?** ACT with Written; SAT (prefer 2 subject tests and SAT with reasoning)

Math scores need to be strong for Engineering

	Trinity Arts	Pratt Engineering
SAT Critical Reading	690-790	700-790
SAT Math	700-800	760-800
SAT Writing	700-790	710-790
ACT composite	31-35	33-35

Rigor - What are the average AP requirements? Want to see a challenging curriculum

Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for? Yes, required showing a sense of engagement; inclination to take full advantage of the talents and abilities; demonstrated ability to have an impact; Creativity, curiosity, and sense of fun; openness to opportunities

Most popular majors at this school: There is a full list – refer to Duke website

For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for the Academic Common Market? None specified

Does chosen major affect decision process? No

Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs? Yes over 200 programs; can work with Global Education Advisor

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? Yes, many on campus and close by with corporations

Research Opportunities? Yes, many on campus and close by with corporations

Special successes the school is known for: Part of the Research Triangle, have a rich alumni presence in and around Duke, which has the highest concentration of PhDs and MDs in the world.

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? None specific

When are scholarship deadlines? With the application; and also after admission – see website for current deadlines

What is the Total cost of Attendance?

In-State

Out of State

Tuition & Fees

\$49,498

Room & Board

\$14,690

Books and personal

\$3,466

Total

\$67,654

Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed? **Oct 17th** (see flyer at career center), can visit and ask to be paired with a student as part of the 'Tour Guide' program – contact the Rep

Is there a "Scholar Day" for Honors bound students? **No**

Applications

When are application deadlines? Different decisions: **Early Action, Binding, Early Decision, Regular Decision, Rolling?**
See website for current dates. **Early decision students are 3 times more likely to get in than regular. Early decision is binding**

Is an essay required for all decision options? **Yes, 150 lines** which is a supplement to the Common Admission app. **Do not repeat what is in the application – list activities, passion, family responsibilities, part-time job – what defines you.**

Are letters of Recommendation required or suggested? **Yes, one from counsellor and 2 from teachers**

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? **Not required, but is conducted by local area Alumni.**

What does the school look for in each "round" of decisions?

	Early Decision		Regular Decision	
	Trinity	Pratt	Trinity	Pratt
Applications	2580	598	21053	7026
Accepted	653	163	2137	616
% Accepted	26%	27%	10%	9%
Enrolled	636	162	785	175

Does the school use the Common App? **Yes**

How many applicants are received per year? **31,186**

Campus Life

NCAA Criteria (Division I, II, etc)? **Division I**

Are sporting events free? Is there a ticket lottery?

Do freshmen live on campus? **Yes**

Are cars allowed? **Yes**

What are the dorms like: hall-style, suite-style, apartment-style? **Living & Learning Dorms?**

All students live in dorms; UG live on East Campus

Campus Life (requirements, restaurants/cafeterias, clubs/activities, etc) – **Various opportunities and extracurricular clubs to engage with**

What is the undergraduate enrollment? **6,471**

Total enrollment? **14,850**

Percentage of male: female – **even**

Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students – **12% NC students**

Highly diverse with a good mixture of international students

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life –

Where is the school located? **Durham, NC**

How far is it from Milton? **6 hours drive**

Other: Criteria of application

1. **Strength of curriculum (Challenging with good grades)**
2. **Grades – have denied admission to valedictorians too (this is not the only criteria)**
3. **Standardized tests**
4. **Letters of recommendation**
5. **Extra-curricular activities**
6. **Essay (150 words) – make the student stand out**

Students can get admission in Trinity College if they are not sure about Engineering, however can take classes in almost any major/minor

8:1 Student Faculty ratio with a high graduation rate – 95% and students moving to Grad studies