

# 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*

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**Is the Rep a school Alum?** [No, but she's been doing this for 15 yrs](#) **Is the Rep involved in the admissions process?** [Yes](#)

**Last year's Freshman Profile:** [GPA – "A"](#) [SAT - 2060-2250](#) [ACT - 30-33](#)

[94% of incoming freshman took AP Calculus or higher](#)

**ACT/SAT – Written Portion?** [Yes](#) **Super Score?** [Yes – Super Duper Score \(converts ACT to SAT Scores, takes highest\)](#)

**What are the average AP requirements?** [7-12 "Students that excel inside and outside the class do better at Tech"](#)

**Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for?** [GT looks at involvement in each activity: clubs, sports, work, community involvement, etc.](#)

**Most popular majors at this school:** [Engineering, Computer & Information Technologies, Business, Architecture](#)

**Does chosen major affect decision process?** [No. For admission, you apply to GT, not separate colleges. Major is not looked at when deciding whether or not to admit the student. They want "compelling, competitive students." Major is not declared until the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the sophomore year.](#)

**Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs?** [Yes](#)

**Internships / Co-Op Opportunities?** [Yes. Three out of four of students have jobs through internships and co-ops. Choose internship if you want to gain experience that leads to a job but don't want to commit to 1 company. Choose co-op if you want to work for the same company every other semester. Co-Ops and interns earn an average of \\$8,000-10,000 per semester.](#)

**Research Opportunities?** [Yes. Students must do research. "Create the box. Think outside the box. Then decide if you need the box."](#)

**Special successes the school is known for:** [94% of students had job offers after graduation; starting salary of \\$60k+](#)  
[2015 US News & World Report: GT is #1 Smartest College Students, #7 Public Univ, #12 Undergrad Programs in top 10](#)

**Scholarships:** [Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? Hope, Zell Miller, and others based on major](#)

**When are scholarship deadlines?** [Oct 15](#)

**What is the Total cost of Attendance?**

	<u>In-State</u>	<u>Out of State</u>
Tuition & Fees	\$12,204	\$32,396
Housing & Meal Plan	12,576	12,576
Books & Supplies	1,000	1,000
Total Per Year (Two Semesters)	\$25,780	\$45,972

## Applications

When are application deadlines? **Early admission** (non-binding) Oct 15 - Results: accepted, denied, or deferred.  
**Regular Decision:** Jan 10 In some cases an applicant may receive “summer” admission, take 2 classes the summer before your freshman year. Legacies may get conditional admittance – go to another school for 1 year, do well, then transfer to GT.

Is an essay required for all decision options? **Yes.** Your essay serves as your “interview.” This is your time to brag. Give specific details on activities as well as leadership roles in these activities. Write an essay that the admissions officer can read and really get to know you. When talking about clubs, do not use the word “founder,” use “co-founder.” GT requires 2 additional 150 word essays and 1 short answer, 25 words describing your personal motto.

Are letters of Recommendation required? **Yes - 1 from counselor, 1 from teacher, will not accept more**

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? **No**

What does the school look for in each “round” of decisions? **Classes, rigor, test scores**

Does the school use the Common App? **Yes** How many applicants are received per year? **27,270**

How much is the application fee? **\$75** Are there quotas for applicant acceptance? **No**

## Campus Life

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

Are sporting events free? **Yes** Is there a ticket lottery? **Yes for football and basketball**

Do freshmen live on campus? **Yes** Are cars allowed? **No**

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

What is the undergraduate enrollment? **15,132** Total enrollment? **25,017**

Percentage of male: female – **60% male: 40% female**

Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students – **60% instate, students from 49 states, 1400+ high schools, 84 countries**

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life – **25%**

Where is the school located? **Atlanta** How far is it from Milton? **1 hour by car**

## Other:

- **Demonstrated interest does not play a role in the admissions process**
- **New Music Technology Program that is not in the GT brochure**
- **Flexibility in class choices**
- **400+ clubs**
- **Tech is a tough school. “At some point, you will need a tutor. At some point, you will get a D or an F in a class. We believe failure leads to success.”**
- **Tech motto – Progress and Service – “We want to change the world.”**
- **Overall acceptance rate last year was 32%. For GA students it was 40%. For CHS students it was 48%.**
- **96% Freshman Retention Rate**