# **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 College Center

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Admissions Rep. Name: Taylor BairdEmail: taylorb@lsu.eduTelephone: office 225-578-1175 cell 404-368-6046Is the Rep a school Alum? NoIs the Rep involved in the admissions process? Yes, she also lives in ATL

Last year's Freshman Profile - GPA: 3.0 Old SAT: 1030 (450 Critical Reading, 460 Math) New SAT Scores: 1100 (500 Math 25 Writing and language score)

ACT: 22 (Sub score in Reading 18, Math 19) these are the absolute minimum requirements for automatic admission.

**GPA** – How is it calculated? **Core**, **unweighted**.

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? No Super Score? Don't super score they use the highest test score from any sitting.

Rigor - What are the average AP requirements? Don't track. Only looks at these for a holistic review – if you don't meet minimum requirements. AP's accept 4&5's for credit. Dual enrollment transfer. GPA in these courses will transfer to LSU GPA.

Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for? Don't look at it. Only looks at these for a holistic review – if you don't meet minimum requirements.

Most popular majors at this school: Pre-professional tracks, agriculture, engineering. 235 areas of study.

Does chosen major affect decision process? No

For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for the academic common market? Yes, LSU has <u>8</u>: Fisheries and Aquaculture, Applied Coastal Environmental Science, Environmental Science and Research, Petroleum Engineering, Sport Commerce, Sport Leadership, Digital Advertising, and Political Communication

Study Abroad Programs? Yes. Almost 20 different options, everything from 2 weeks to year long. 300+ locations.

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? Yes.

**Research Opportunities?** Yes, LSU is a National Research Institute. Discover LSU program allows undergrad to participate in research from 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of freshman year.

Special successes the school is known for: Petroleum Engineering is #1. LSU is the only institute in the western hemisphere with a working oil rig on campus, very hands on learning environment. 100% job placement!

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? Will accept Hope but not Zell Miller. 15 competitive scholarships (lsu.edu/scholarships). 3 levels of automatic Merit Based Scholarships for Non-Residents:

Flagship Scholars Award	33 ACT or 1440 SAT and 3.0 GPA = \$20,500 per year
Academic Scholars Award	30 ACT or 1330 SAT and 3.0 GPA = \$15,500 per year
Tiger Excellence Scholars Award	28 ACT or 1250 SAT and 3.0 GPA = \$7,600 per year

GPA is weighted for scholarships. Use grades from 9-11<sup>th</sup> grades for GPA for scholarships.

When are scholarship deadlines? Nov 15<sup>th</sup> is deadline for Honors Scholarship. App must be submitted by then. Stamps Award ~ Full tuition plus \$14,000 stipend President's Award ~ Full tuition plus \$5,000 stipend President's Award requires 3.5GPA an LSU Statement and Interview

What is the Total cost of Atten	dance?
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## Room & Board \$10,910

## Total per Year \$38,344

Tuition

Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed? Ongoing daily tours. Fall kick-off days are offered every Friday before a home football game. 6-7 campus tours with 2 breakout sessions with major colleges.

\$27,434

#### **Applications**

When are application deadlines? Rolling, non-binding admissions, April 15 for Fall Semester. Honors College App due Nov 15.

Is an essay required for all decision options? No essays.

Are letters of Recommendation required or suggested? No Is an in-person interview required or suggested? No

Does the school use the Common App? No How many applicants are received per year? 1,000+ from Georgia

How much is the application fee? \$40 Are there quotas for applicant acceptance? No

#### Campus Life

NCAA Criteria, (Division I, II, etc.) Division I, SEC

Are sporting events free? There is a fee for football; all others are free. Is there a ticket lottery? No

Do freshmen live on campus? Recommended but not required. Are cars allowed? Yes. Parking is limited and price is tiered. The closer to dorms, etc. the more it costs.

What are the dorms like? Different options including: all male, all female, residential colleges (based on majors), on campus apartments, etc. Most have a suite style bath. Dorms are being renovated gradually to all suite style. Virtual tours of all dorms on website

**Campus Life:** Small campus feel (self-contained campus) but with an urban night life. Campus has a lot of green space. The LSU tiger, Mike VI, has a habitat on the campus.

What is the undergraduate enrollment? 25,000 Total enrollment? 33,000

Percentage of male: female? 52% male: 48% female

Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students? 76% in-state, 19% out-of-state, 5% international

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life? 24% - 19 Frats, 13 Sororities, 6 PanHellenic

Where is the school located? Baton Rouge, LA; 45 minutes northwest of New Orleans; on the banks of the Mississippi River; there is a lake in the center of campus

How far is it from Milton? 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> - 8 hours by car. Both Baton Rouge and New Orleans have an airport. Other:

- Founded in 1860 as an all male military institute.
- Fast track pre-vet '3 plus 1.' Last year of undergrad counts as 1<sup>st</sup> year of vet school.
- Fast track pre-law '3 plus 3.' Get a law degree in 6 years.
- 2 Medical Schools, Nursing School, Forensics Lab
- Tiger Trails free bus system that goes across campus, to the mall, grocery store, airport, etc.
- 375+ clubs and organizations
- LSU tuition is 15% less than other southern schools. Students carry 27% less debt than national average.
- LSU Shield App safety app for students
- Big Student Government and ROTC program