

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 married to an alum & she's from Mississippi](#)

Is the Rep involved in the admissions process? [No \(she's only a recruiter, not an admissions counselor\)](#)

Freshman Profile: [Beginning in Fall 2015: Full admission to Mississippi State University for non-residents of Mississippi will be granted to high school graduates who complete one of the following:](#)

- [Complete the College Preparatory Curriculum with a minimum 2.50 grade-point average, composite score of 20 or higher on the ACT, or a combined score of 940 or higher on the SAT.](#)
- [Satisfy the National Collegiate Athletic Association standards for student-athletes who are full or partial qualifiers under Division I guidelines.](#)
- [The typical Honors College freshman achieved approximately a 30 ACT composite score and a 3.8 GPA](#)

GPA – How is it calculated? [For admissions, it's weighted core. For scholarships, its weighted cumulative. Grades 9-11](#)

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? [No](#)

What are the average AP requirements? [N/A](#)

Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for? [Well rounded individuals](#)

Most popular majors at this school: [Agriculture, Engineering, VET School, Poultry Science \(Poultry Science has a 100% placement rate for graduates.\)](#)

For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for Academic Common Market? [Yes – Aerospace Engineering, Petroleum Engineering, Biological Biomedical Engineering, and Floral Management \(part of the Agriculture & Life Sciences College under Horticulture\)](#)

Does chosen major affect decision process? [Yes – For PGA Golf Management \(part of the Business College under Marketing\), you must have a handicap of 8 or less. For the Vet School, there is a elite program for the top 25 students](#)

Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs? [Yes, 1000 programs in 80 countries](#)

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? [Yes.](#)

Research Opportunities? [Yes. Research I University \(nationally ranked in research\)](#)

Special successes the school is known for: [Tradition of ringing of the cow bell dates back to the 1930s. Cowbells must be gifted; it's bad luck if you buy your own.](#)

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? [Yes please see - scholarships.msstate.edu](https://scholarships.msstate.edu)

When are scholarship deadlines? [Dec 1](#)

What is the Total cost of Attendance?	<u>In-State</u>	<u>Out of State</u>
Tuition & Fees	\$7,502	\$20,142
Housing & Meal Plan	9,068	9,068
Estimated Books, Supplies, Transportation	7,554	7,554
Total Per Year (Two Semesters)	\$24,124	\$36,764

Applications

When are application deadlines? [Rolling decisions. Applications go live on August 1.](#)

Is an essay required for all decision options? [Only required for Honors College, Engineering and Vet School](#)

Are letters of Recommendation required? [Only for Honor College](#)

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? [No](#)

Does the school use the Common App? [No](#) How many applicants are received per year? [10,000](#)

How much is the application fee? [\\$40](#) Are there quotas for applicant acceptance? [No](#)

Campus Life

NCAA Criteria (Division I, II, etc)? [Div I SEC](#)

Are sporting events free? [Yes](#) Is there a ticket lottery? [No, first come, first served](#)

Do freshmen live on campus? [Yes](#) Are cars allowed? [Yes](#)

What are the dorms like: hall-style, suite-style, apartment-style? [Living & Learning Dorms? Yes](#)

What is the undergraduate enrollment? [3000 freshman](#) Total enrollment? [20,000](#)

Percentage of male: female – [50% male: 50% female](#)

Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students – [24% out-of-state, students from 50 states, 75 countries](#)

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life – [20%](#)

Where is the school located? [Starkville, MS](#)

How far is it from Milton? [5 hours by car](#)

Other:

- [300+ clubs](#)
- [25 intramural sports competitions](#)
- [19:1 Student to faculty ratio](#)
- [700 different employers recruited at MSU last year](#)
- [4200 acre campus](#)