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? Yes

Freshman Profile: GPA: 3.65 SAT: 1160 Critical Reading & Math Only ACT: 26.1

Usually admits students with 3.0 GPA, 1000 SAT, 21 ACT

GPA - How is it calculated? Cumulative, weighted - Students are reviewed on an individual basis.

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? No Super Score? No

What are the average AP requirements? N/A - UA encourages students to challenge themselves

Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for? Important for scholarship consideration only. "Significant achievements, honors and leadership and volunteer experiences are important factors."

Most popular majors at this school: Cornerstone Colleges are Business & Education. There are 8 colleges. Comprehensive in all areas. One of the oldest colleges of Engineering. STEM Paths. Continually adding new majors.

For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for Academic Common Market? Yes – Music Theory and Metallurgical Engineering

Does chosen major affect decision process? No but for Nursing and Athletic Training students must re-apply during their sophomore year. 104 students admitted out of 300-400 applicants. Average GPA for these programs are 3.8-3.9.

Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs (2-5 weeks), Semester-Long and Year-Long Programs

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? Well known nationwide Co-Op Program

Research Opportunities? Yes. UA is a student centered research university

Special successes the school is known for: Top law school with 90% placement into law school

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? There are 5 levels of scholarships for academics: Capstone - \$3500 annually, Collegiate - \$4000 annually, Foundation in Excellence – Half Tuition, UA Scholar – 2/3 Tuition, Presidential – Full Tuition. There are no quotas/ limits on the amount of scholarships granted. Eligible for scholarships with a 3.5 GPA, 27-32+ ACT, 1210-1400+ SAT CR/MA .Will accept ACT/ SAT test scores through Dec 10 to qualify for scholarships. More info at scholarships.ua.edu.

When are scholarship deadlines? Dec 15 Please note- this is the only hard deadline Alabama has. You must be admitted before this date to receive the scholarship application link (myBama portal). There is only one application for all 5 scholarships. Submit a resume for scholarship consideration. Scholarship recipients will be notified by mail.

What is the Total cost of Attendance?	Out of State
Tuition & Fees	\$26,750
Housing & Meal Plan	12,880
Estimated Books, Supplies, Parking Decal	1,540
Total Per Year (Two Semesters)	\$41,170

Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed? University Day (next opportunity Nov) Tours available M-F (4-10 tours per day) and on Sat (2 tours per day as long as there is not a home football game) A more indepth visit can also be arranged. Contact Admissions Rep for more details.

Applications

When are application deadlines? Rolling decisions. Applications go live in July. Decision announcements begin in August. No denials issued for fall applications, maybe deferred. After Feb 1, denials begin.

Is an essay required for all decision options? No essays

Are letters of Recommendation required? No – letters of recommendation are not accepted

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? No, but the admissions rep will meet with you if you have questions

Does the school use the Common App? No (UA app should take 5-10 min) How much is the application fee? \$40

How many applicants are received per year? 37,000+ Are there quotas for applicant acceptance? No

Campus Life

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

Are sporting events free? Pay for football Is there a ticket lottery? Sort of, students that know they aren't going to use their tickets turn them back in. Those are made available to other students through a lottery.

Do freshmen live on campus? Yes Are cars allowed? Yes

What are the dorms like: Most are suite-style, some 2 bedroom community-style also offer Living & Learning dorms. All were refurbished in 2005. The earlier you apply for housing, the more options you will have to chose from.

Campus life: Suburban environment. More like UGA than Auburn. (Auburn is their biggest rival.)

Undergraduate enrollment? 30,754 (6,856 Freshman, 1951 Freshman in Honors College) Total enrollment? 36,155

Percentage of male: female - 55% male: 45% female

Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students – 46% in-state, 54% out-of-state

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life – 30%

Where is the school located? Tuscaloosa, AL How far is it from Milton? 4 hours by car (1 hour from Birmingham)

Other:

- Large campus but from an academic standpoint, you won't feel the size. Each college operates on its own.
- 1000 acre campus with a 19:1 Faculty to student ratio
- More academic all Americans over the last 10 years than any other school in the country
- Crimson Tide nickname has been around since 1907 coined by a sportswriter describing the team entering the field in their signature crimson jerseys.