Preparing to Transfer?
Here’s what to ask college recruiters!

To help you determine if a college/university is a good fit for YOU, it’s important to ask questions. Here are 7 key topics of exploration to help you research or to prompt conversations with admission counselors.

PROGRAMS
• What majors do you offer?
• Are advanced degrees (master’s, doctorate) offered?
• Do you offer any technical or certificate programs?
• Can I enroll part-time, take courses in the late afternoon, evenings, weekends, or during the summer?
• Are there internship opportunities available on campus, or in the community?
• Do you have any honors programs for transfer students?
• Do you consider your school as transfer friendly? Why or why not?
• What are your graduation and retention rates?

CAMPUS COMMUNITY
• Is your college located in an urban, suburban, or rural setting?
• Are you on a semester or quarter system? When do classes begin?
• What kinds of social, cultural, and recreational activities are available on the campus or in the community?
• How diverse is your campus population?
• Do you have a disability services office?
• Will I need a car to get around? Does public transportation provide easy access to both the campus and community?
• In what ways do you see a Phi Theta Kappa member thriving on your campus?
• Do you have a transfer support office, transfer clubs/organization or social events specifically for transfer students?
• How many students are enrolled in your institution? How many of the enrolled students are transfer students?

VISITING
• How do I arrange to talk with someone further at your college to discuss enrollment opportunities?
• How do I arrange to take a tour of your campus?
• Do you have an open house program for prospective students? When and whom do I contact for more information?
COST OF ATTENDANCE
• What is the cost of your institution including tuition or registration fees, books and supplies, housing, parking, etc.?
• When is payment due for those fees?
• Will you waive the application fee for Phi Theta Kappa members?
• Do I have to send in a deposit to confirm my intention to enroll? If so, how much, and when?

FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIP
• When and how do I apply for financial aid? Do I apply for scholarships separately?
• What kind of scholarships do you have for transfer students? Are these scholarships stackable with others?
• When will I be notified if I will or will not receive assistance?
• Are there special kinds of assistance for students from certain ethnic minority or other underrepresented groups?
• Are work-study programs available? Is it easy to get a part-time job on campus or in the community?

APPLYING FOR ADMISSION
• Where, when, and how can I apply to your University?
• What is your application deadline date?
• When do I have to submit transcripts, test scores and other admission materials?
• Does my major have any additional requirements? If so, what special requirements do I need?
• Do transfer students get priority registration?
• If I’m not accepted in my major, what are my options? Can I change to another major?

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS
• What are your admission requirements for transfer students?
• What is the admissions priority of transfer students from community colleges? From four-year colleges?
• If I go to a community college first, will my credits transfer? How and when will I know?
• Do you offer academic clemency?
• How do I know what credits from my two-year college will transfer? Will a course in which I received a “D” grade count for transfer credit?
• How do you determine my grade if I repeat a course?

Need Assistance? We’re here to help! Contact Phi Theta Kappa’s College Relations team at colleegetrans@ptk.org or 866.286.8453.