

Freshman Finances Questions

Things to think about

1. Do you have any money saved up for college?
2. Do you have any scholarship?
3. Do you have a part time job lined up? Are you willing to take one?
4. How much student loan are you expecting to receive per semester/quarter?
5. Are you getting any money from your parents?
6. Where will you be living? At home? On campus? Off campus?
7. If you are living at home or off campus, how are you planning to commute?
8. How many classes will you be taking? Do you know a rough estimate of how much your books will cost?

Information from College

1. How much is the tuition?
2. What are the other fees? (Security, lab fees, campus fees)
3. (if you are living on campus) How much is the dorm fee?
4. Utilities included or not?
5. How much is the meal plan?
6. Will you have access to a kitchen?
7. Can you get health insurance from the college? How much does it cost?
8. (If you have a car) How much is the parking?
9. What are the transportation options if you don't have a car?

Information from senior students

1. (If you are going to live off campus) What are some good neighborhoods?
2. How much is the rent (roughly)
3. How much is the living expense?
4. Are there any extra fees that are specific to your major?

[Note: I have not included information on student loans/scholarships as these questions focus on finances when you are almost ready to start school. Also I have included questions to help with your finances not other things like you major]