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The College Admission Process: Planning Workshop for High School Students & Parents



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Different types of colleges and universities

A **university** is an institution of higher education and research, which grants academic degrees in a variety of subjects. A university provides both undergraduate education and postgraduate education.

University of Georgia- Georgia State University – Georgia Tech

A **community college**, sometimes called a **county college**, **junior college**, **technical college**, or a **city college**, is an educational institution providing higher education and lower-level tertiary education, granting certificates, diplomas, and associate's degrees.

Georgia Perimeter College- Atlanta Metropolitan College

Liberal arts colleges are primarily colleges with an emphasis upon undergraduate study in the liberal arts. A liberal arts education is defined as a "college or university curriculum aimed at imparting general knowledge and developing general intellectual capacities, in contrast to a professional, vocational, or technical curriculum."

Emory College-Agnes Scott College – Berry College

A **vocational school** provides vocational education and is also referred to as a **trade school** or **career college**. They are operated for the express purpose of giving students the skills needed to perform a certain job or jobs.

Atlanta Technical College-Gwinnett Technical College

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) were established before 1964 with the principal mission of educating African Americans and have long played a vital role in the U. S. educational system.

Morehouse –Spelman-Clark Atlanta

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Other Factors to Consider When Applying to Selective Institutions

- Major and Minors offered
- What does the school specialize in?
- Diversity
- Physical location of School
- Retention rates
- Support services in place
- Scholarships/Financial Aid Programs
- Campus climate
- Social setting

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Admission Plan Types

- Rolling
 - Range of institutions – from large state schools (University of Maine and Hawaii Pacific University) to liberal arts colleges (Barry University) and others (Parsons New School of Design)
 - No deposit required
 - Deadline: Determined by the school
 - Notification: Determined based on the application submission date
 - Deposit: May 1 (usually)

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Admission Plan Types

- Regular Decision
 - Multiple applications
 - Deadline: January/February
 - Notification: April 1
 - Deposit: May 1

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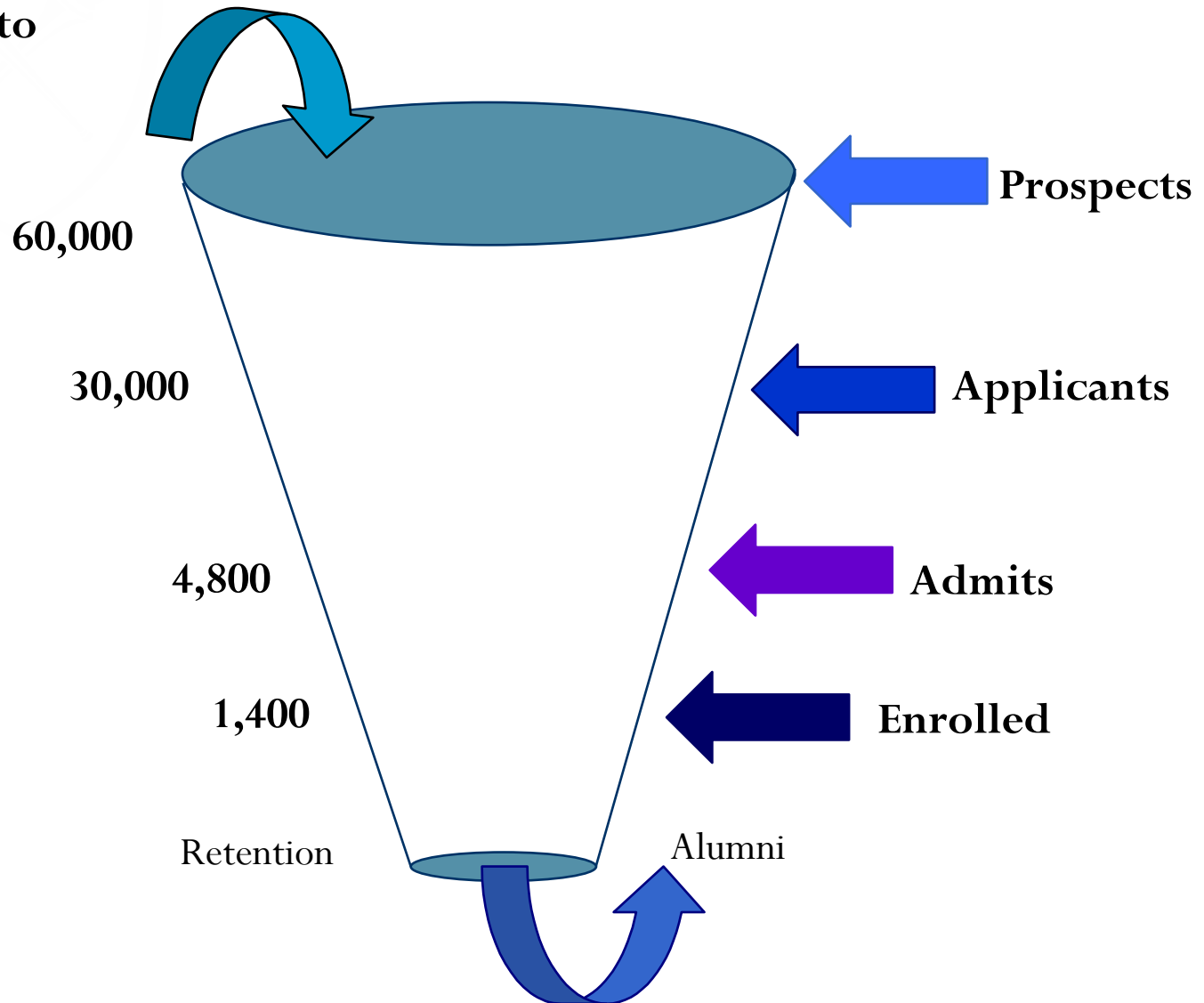
Application Plan Types

- Early Action
 - Non-binding
 - Deadline: November 1 or 15
 - Notification: December/January
 - Deposit: May 1

- Early Decision
 - Binding (contract) where student, parent and counselor sign document
 - 1st choice school
 - Commitment with deposit once accepted
 - Deadline: November 1 or 15
 - Notification: December
 - Deposit: December/January

Perspective- SAMPLE FRESHMEN CLASS

Prospects to
Alumni



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2017 Admit Rates at Most Selective Institutions

School	Class of 2021 Admission Rate	Class of 2020 Admission Rate
Brown University	8.3%	9%
Columbia University	5.8%	6.04%
Cornell University	12.5 %	13.9%
Duke University	9 %	10.4%
Emory University	12.5 %	25.2%
Harvard University	5.2%	5.2%
Johns Hopkins University	11.8%	11.5%
Princeton University	6.1%	6.46%
Stanford University	4.65 %	4.69%
Vanderbilt University	10.3%	10.4%
Washington University in St. Louis	16%	17%
Yale University	6.9 %	6.3%

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Selection Criteria

- What do colleges and universities consider?
- What is your role as a student?

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Selection Criteria – Curriculum

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

AP Courses- English, Calculus, Languages, Science, History, and
Micro/Macro Economics courses

Perceived “easy” AP’s: Art History, Psychology and Statistics

I.B Programs – Being Enrolled in the Diploma Program completing higher level
courses through “Theory of Knowledge”

Advanced/Honors Courses- Classes beyond the traditional College Prep Track

College Courses/Dual Enrollment - Core Courses (Math, Science, Languages,
and English)

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Selection Criteria –Personal

- Extracurricular Involvements
 - Leadership
 - Community Service
 - Special Talents Abilities
- Essays
- Recommendations
 - Counselor and (2) Teachers
- Other: special circumstances = additional information on the Common Application

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- Counselor Recommendation
 - Overview of the student
 - Picture of the student within the class and context of the school
 - Involvements in and outside of school
- Teacher Recommendation(s)
 - Classroom experiences
 - Intellectual vitality
 - Consider perspective that the teachers will give the admission committee = 1 humanities and 1 math/science teacher (?)

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Selection Criteria –Essays

- Consider your “essay” to be a PERSONAL STATEMENT
- Question to consider: What can the application reader learn about you that has not been illustrated in other parts of your application?

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Test Optional –

- What does it mean ?
- Should I submit my scores
- What do Colleges do with my Scores

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Emory Courtesy Scholarship

- The benefit amount you receive as a faculty or staff member is determined by, years of service and area of Emory you work for (Healthcare or University).
- You will need to contact your HR representative to determine your eligibility amount .
- Undergraduate Admission takes into consideration children of Faculty and Staff members in the review process.
- Legacy includes, Parents, Siblings, and Grandparents.
- The Courtesy Scholarship is the same for both Emory and Oxford College

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QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

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