



## College Priorities Worksheet

Different students have different priorities when selecting a college. To help determine what is most important to you, rate each characteristic below on the scale from one to five. As you research colleges, pay close attention to the characteristics that you rank highly. When it is time to select schools to visit, eliminate schools that don't measure up on factors that are important to you. If other people, such as your parents, play a role in your college decision, have them rank their priorities on the chart in a different color of ink.

**Write in or check priorities on this side**

**Rank (circle) the importance on this side**

**Availability of a specific major**

I am interested in these majors:

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Not Important		Somewhat Important		Very Important
1	2	3	4	5

**Availability of non-traditional programs**

I am interested in

- evening programs
- weekend programs
- childcare availability

1	2	3	4	5
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**Academic reputation**

My college should have a good academic reputation

- locally
- regionally
- nationally

1	2	3	4	5
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**Cost of attendance, including financial aid**

- I do not want to take on any debt.
- I am willing to take on some debt for the right school.

1	2	3	4	5
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**Setting**

I want to be in a

- small town
- midsize town
- large city

1	2	3	4	5
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**School size**

- Large (Greater than 10,000 students)
- Medium (5,000-10,000 students)
- Small (Fewer than 5,000 students)

1	2	3	4	5
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**Distance from home**

- Close to home (within 1 hour)
- Fairly close to home (within 4 hours)
- Not close to home (more than 4 hours)

1	2	3	4	5
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(Continued from reverse side)

**Write in or check priorities on this side**

**Rank (circle) the importance on this side**

	Not Important		Somewhat Important		Very Important
	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Class size</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Small classes					
<input type="checkbox"/> Medium classes					
<input type="checkbox"/> Large classes					
<b>Availability of faculty</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> Easily accessible					
<input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat accessible					
<b>Geographic diversity of student body</b>					
I want to be part of a student community that is					
<input type="checkbox"/> predominantly from Kentucky					
<input type="checkbox"/> predominantly from Kentucky and the surrounding states					
<input type="checkbox"/> from all parts of the United States					
<input type="checkbox"/> from the United States and other countries					
<b>Student organizations</b>					
I want to be involved in these activities or join these student groups:					
_____					
_____					
<b>Athletics</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> I want to play this sport on a college team:					
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<input type="checkbox"/> I want to play this sport on an intramural team:					
_____					
<b>Placement rate into</b>					
<input type="checkbox"/> a job in my major field of study					
<input type="checkbox"/> graduate or professional school					
<b>Housing</b>					
I want					
<input type="checkbox"/> to commute from my current home					
<input type="checkbox"/> to live in an on-campus dormitory					
<input type="checkbox"/> family housing					
<input type="checkbox"/> a nice apartment close to campus					
<b>Other college attributes</b>					
I am interested in a					
<input type="checkbox"/> women's college					
<input type="checkbox"/> religiously affiliated college					
<input type="checkbox"/> historically black college					
<input type="checkbox"/> military college _____					
<input type="checkbox"/> other _____					