



Experiences to Learn About College

For students who want to continue their education

What is it Like to Be in College?

In college, you will have the opportunity to:

- Meet other students, professors, staff members, and peers
- Attend classes that are in your **program of study**
- Get involved in student organizations
- Live on-campus or off-campus



How Can Learning About College Help Me Continue My Education?

You can learn about:

- What it is like to attend college or training programs
- The academic and social skills students need
- Living options and supports that are available
- The courses and programs of study that interest you
- How to get involved on-campus
- What college or training program you would like to go to



How Do I Find More Information About College or Training Programs?

Information Session

- An **information session** is a meeting for students interested in learning more about a specific college or training program.
- At an **information session**, you will learn about:
 - Programs offered at the college or training program
 - Services available to support students
 - Expectations and skills needed to attend the college or training program
- At an **information session**, you may have the opportunity to talk to admissions staff and current students.



College Tour

- A **college tour** is when a student visits a college or training program campus to learn about the college or program.
- At a **college tour**, you will learn about: :
 - Programs offered at the college or training program
 - How to apply to the college or training program
 - The application deadline
- At a **college tour**, you may have the opportunity to talk to students about the skills they need in college.

College Shadow

- A **class shadow** is when a student goes to a college or training program class so they can experience what it is like.
- At a **class shadow**, you will learn about: :
 - What a college or training program class is like
 - How students in a college or training program class interact with one another
 - Additional information about programs offered at the college or training program
- At a **class shadow**, you may have the opportunity to talk to the instructor or students in the class.

What Are My Living Options?

Colleges and training programs offer a number of living options. You may have the following common options to choose from:

On-Campus Living

- **On-campus living** are rooms and other housing options that are available for students to live on the college or training program campus.
 - Buildings with private or shared rooms where students live are called dorms
- Students living on-campus will have a residential advisor to support them.
 - **Residential advisors** are staff members who live in campus housing
 - **Residential advisors** can help support you with the transition of living on your own





Off-Campus Living

- **Off-campus living** are places students can live that are not on a college or training program campus.
 - Examples of places to live off-campus include apartments and living at home
 - Students who live off-campus can live with roommates, by themselves, or with their family.
 - Students living off-campus will need to have transportation to and from campus.

Wrap Up

- Learning about college or training programs will help you have a better understanding of the school, the programs, and the skills you will need to succeed.
- There are several ways to learn about what it is like to attend a college or training program:
 - An **information session** is a meeting for students interested in learning about a specific college or training program
 - A **college tour** is when a student visits a college or training program campus to learn more about the college or program.
 - A **class shadow** is when a student goes to a college or training program class so they can experience what it is like.
- **On-campus living** and **off-campus living** are housing options students have when they are in college or a training program
- Learning about what it is like to attend a college or training program can help you make informed decisions about continuing your education.