

The College Visit Minute

A written account of college recruiting visits to Cambridge High School for those that cannot attend the visit.

School: Georgia College

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Is the Rep a school Alum? Yes

Is the Rep involved in the admissions process? Yes

Last year's Freshman Profile: 3.65 GPA / 1220 SAT / 27 ACT (averages, not minimums)

Honor's College: Roughly 3.8 GPA / 1250+ SAT / 28+ ACT (averages, not minimums)

GPA -How is it calculated? Unweighted core GPA

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? Not required/considered **Super Score?** Yes, we super-score

Rigor - What are the average AP requirements? We like to see some rigor, but don't require

Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for? Anything is fine, involvement does look good

Most popular majors at this school: Biology, Nursing, Business, Education, etc. <https://www.gcsu.edu/programsearch>

For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for the Academic Common Market? N/A

Does chosen major affect decision process? No

Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs? We offer study abroad on every continent and for any length of time along with foreign language programs

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? Yes to both! We have a full Career Center with staff who help students secure internships and jobs.

Research Opportunities? Yes! We recently received the AURA Award as one of the top universities for Undergraduate Research.

Special successes the school is known for: One of the top three most selective school in Georgia, top three for 4-year graduation rates, top three for highest freshman retention rates – of the top three, we're the smallest (smaller class sizes and close-knit community).

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? We accept HOPE/Zell, but we also have an independent merit-based scholarship competition (PSC) – [gcsu.edu/psc](https://www.gcsu.edu/psc)

When are scholarship deadlines October 15th for PSC

What is the Total cost of Attendance?

	<u>In-State</u>	<u>Out of State</u>
Tuition & Fees	\$4,700	\$14,400
Housing & Meal Plan	\$5,500	\$5,500
Books & Supplies	\$750	\$750
Total Per Year (Two Semesters)	About \$10,950	\$20,650

With HOPE, cost is closer to about \$7,500/semester, Out of state students have a scholarship that can cover the difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition.

Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed? Fallfest (our Fall preview day for seniors), Springfest (for admitted students in March), tours every day except for Sunday

Is there a “Scholar Day” for Honors bound students? We have an Honors Preview Day on campus in the Fall and in the Spring.

Applications

When are application deadlines? **Early decision (non-binding):** Early Action (non-binding) 10/15, Regular 4/1

Is an essay required for all decision options? Yes, two short-answer (200-300 words)

Are letters of Recommendation required or suggested? Suggested

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? We only interview for our Summer Bridge Scholars Program and President’s Scholarship Competition.

What does the school look for in each “round” of decisions? Holistic review: GPA, test scores, academic trends, rigor, extracurriculars, demonstrated interest, etc.

Does the school use the Common App? Yes!

How many applicants are received per year? Roughly 5,500+

How much is the application fee? \$35

Are there quotas for applicant acceptance? Our Freshman class caps around 1,500 students

Campus Life

NCAA Criteria (Division I, II, etc)? NCAA Division II Peach Belt Conference

Do freshmen live on campus? Yes, all freshmen

Are cars allowed? Yes

What are the dorms like: Two styles – traditional residence halls (two rooms on either side of a bathroom with two students in each room) & Village apartment style (four bedrooms, two bathrooms, a living room, and kitchen), both are available for freshmen.

Campus Life (requirements, restaurants/cafeterias, clubs/activities, etc) 170+ clubs/organizations, Greek Life, Volunteer service opportunities, local restaurants right next to campus, one central dining hall

What is the undergraduate enrollment? About 5,500

Total enrollment? About 6,500

Percentage of male: female About 2:3

Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students Around 90% in state

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life Around 30%

Where is the school located? Milledgeville, GA

How far is it from Milton? Around 2 hours

Other: *Below are some helpful links!*

Application Process: <https://www.gcsu.edu/apply>

Programs (Majors/Minors): <https://www.gcsu.edu/programsearch>

Touring (Financial Aid break-down at the bottom of the page): <https://www.gcsu.edu/visit>

Clubs: <https://www.gcsu.edu/studentactivities>

Housing: <https://www.gcsu.edu/housing>

Honors College: <https://www.gcsu.edu/honors>