



COLLEGE GUIDANCE

FALL

We provide step-by-step guidance that ensures all participants get accepted to their right-fit college.

- ▶ Using college values to create your college list
- ▶ Completion of student brag sheet
- ▶ Introduce college application timeline and open deadlines
- ▶ CSU application
- ▶ UC application
- ▶ Common application
- ▶ College application myths
- ▶ Demystifying early action and early decision
- ▶ Plan of action for letter of recommendation
- ▶ Master essay writing workshop
- ▶ Mock admissions workshop
- ▶ Understanding EOP



PAYING FOR COLLEGE

WINTER

We provide college planning, financial aid workshops, and scholarship support to students and parents.

- ▶ Understanding FAFSA/DREAM Act – The real cost of college
- ▶ Understanding award letters
- ▶ Understanding your Student Aid Report (SAR)
- ▶ Cal grants
- ▶ CSS profile
- ▶ Financial aid award letter review and comparison
- ▶ Final college choice and decision checklist
- ▶ Housing and orientation
- ▶ Submit intent to register (SIR), final college deadlines, and final college choice checklist



COLLEGE SURVIVAL

SPRING

We help students transition from high school to academically rigorous two and four-year universities.

- ▶ What is culture shock?
- ▶ How to identify the right college resources
- ▶ College values
- ▶ Managing stress and homesickness
- ▶ How to get involved on your college campus
- ▶ Professionalism inside and outside the classroom
- ▶ Study habits
- ▶ Time management in college
- ▶ Financial literacy
- ▶ Housing and roommates
- ▶ Parents and college 101
- ▶ Leaving home: the in-state/ out-of-state question
- ▶ Academic catch-up: how to get college-ready in writing and math
- ▶ ELM/EPT Information
- ▶ The perfect college schedule
- ▶ How to spend your summer before college



Our students have a 97% college enrollment rate compared with 52% nationwide for low-income youth.