

## COLLEGE VISITS

- Find out when Information Sessions and Tours are. Most colleges have at least one Open House on a Saturday in the fall, some in the spring. Also, use the days that students have off to schedule tours.
- Does the school require an interview? If so, prepare by learning as much about the college as you can, and be ready to talk about yourself!
- Plan to spend a few hours on each college campus. Attend a tour or session conducted by the admissions office, but also spend time on your own viewing the campus. Going when classes are in session is optimal, but not always possible. It is better to visit when you can than not to visit.
- If possible, introduce yourself to the representative that is responsible for CSP. That is the person who will be reading your application, so the better the person knows you, the better for you.
  
- Make the most of your time on a college campus. Speak to current students, eat lunch in the dining hall, or sit in on a class (arranged ahead of time)
- Ask lots of questions. You will quickly find that most colleges will start sounding the same. (“We have lots of Study Abroad opportunities!” “Some classes meet right in your residence hall; you don’t even have to get out of your pajamas to go to class!” “Our student-teacher ratio is really low!” “We have great internship opportunities!”) So, you have to find out what makes this campus different than the rest, and figure out what is important to you.
- Be sure to send a thank you email to the person you met with