

College Timeline: Seniors

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If you're a senior in high school, follow these general guidelines...

Fall Semester

- Make campus visits.
- Continue your extracurricular involvement.
- Narrow down college choices and apply for college admission, meeting priority deadlines.
- Finalize résumé and write required essays.
- Request letters of recommendations and other admission requirements two to four weeks before due.
- Apply for housing at each college considered.
- Inquire about scholarship qualifications at each college where applied.
- Start the financial aid application process for each school.

Spring Semester (after January 1)

- Complete the [FAFSA](#)
- Complete your Mississippi Grant Application by going to www.mississippi.edu.
- Ask the guidance office to send first semester transcripts to schools. Final transcripts should be sent after graduation.
- Keep track of important financial aid and scholarship deadlines.
- Observe deadlines for sending in all required fees and paperwork including award letters, promissory notes, housing information, etc. You may be required to log in to the college Web site to complete these steps.
- Decide which college to attend and notify the school of your decision. Notify the schools you will not attend of your decision.
- Notify your college about any outside scholarships you received.

Summer before College

- Ensure final transcript arrives at chosen school
- Getting a summer job can help pay some of the college expenses.
- Attend summer orientation if offered. Check into buying books and supplies early.
- Call or meet assigned roommate to get acquainted and to make a list of what is needed for the residence hall room.