

RECRUITING CHECKLIST AND QUESTIONS TO ASK

Use this guide to have meaningful conversations with coaches during recruiting process

ACADEMIC

- **Overall Academic Reputation of the School**
- **Reputation of Your Intended Major:** National ranking, student / teacher ratio, facilities, etc.
- **Importance of Academics to Coaching Staff:** Team GPA, class and practice conflict policy
- **Graduation Rates (APR):** Student body, athletics, basketball, head coach (career)
- **Athletic / Academic Counseling:** Tutoring programs, degree progress monitoring, study halls
- **Freshman Year Programs:** Orientation, life skill programs
- **Scholarship:** Full / partial / summer school / fifth year aid
- **Libraries:** Research and resources
- **Computer Access:** Facilities and labs, laptops, wireless capabilities
- **Post-Graduate Academic Opportunities:** Scholarships, internships, graduate assistantships
- **After Graduation:** Post graduate placement success, career services, alumni network

ATHLETIC

- **Basketball and Athletic Department:** Traditions, resources, success, relationship among sports
- **Head Coach:** Contract, career record, coaching style, history of transfers, relationships with players
- **Coaching Staff:** Responsibilities, experience (coaching / playing), length of time with head coach
- **Conference:** Competitive level, NCAA Tournament bids, NIT Tournament bids, professional players
- **Style of Play:** Fit, opportunity to play, ability to develop, position, non-conference schedule
- **Team Members:** Personality, atmosphere, class and position breakdown
- **Team Schedule:** Competition level, modes of travel, accommodations, dining, foreign tour, etc.
- **Facilities:** Arena, locker room, weight room, video room, players' lounge, etc.
- **Equipment:** Apparel brand, shoes, practice gear, uniforms, clothing, travel gear
- **Player Development:** Strength training, offseason, nutrition, etc.
- **Medical Attention:** Training staff, sports medicine facilities, insurance, rehabilitation
- **Media Coverage and Exposure:** Radio, TV, newspaper, internet, coaches' show, athletic website
- **Career Ending Injury:** Commitment to graduation

SCHOOL

- **Campus:** Size, setting (city-rural-suburban), distance from home, security
- **Campus Life:** Recreation center, events, organizations, student unions
- **Ethnic Diversity:** Campus population, under-grad population, post-grad population, team roster
- **Residence Options:** Dorms (single, double, suite), apartments, locations, roommates, amenities
- **Meal Plans:** Training table, dining halls, other on-campus alternatives, per diem with traveling
- **Athletics within the University Community:** Role, acceptance, attitudes
- **Religious Affiliations:** Available and proximity of places to worship
- **Cultural Opportunities:** Plays, concerts, museums
- **Social Opportunities:** Entertainment, dining, shopping, other sporting events

OTHER

- **Weather / Climate**
- **Environment:** Comfort, lifestyle, safety
- **Travel:** Airport options, airlines, flight availability and costs
- **Alumni Network:** Size, accessibility, national or regional
- **Recreation:** Hiking, biking, swimming, skiing, boating, etc.

RECRUITING CHECKLIST

SCHOOL NAME: _____ CONFERENCE: _____

▶ **Head Coach:**

- Age:
- Coaching record:

▶ **Assistant coaches I have spoken too:**

▶ **School win record from previous three seasons:**

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▶ **Things I know:**

School:

1. _____
2. _____
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4. _____

Basketball Program:

1. _____
2. _____
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Social Life:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Other: