

College Rating Worksheet Instructions

List factors that are important to you and assign a value 1-5, with 5 being the most important. The factors and values below are for sample purposes only. Assign your own factors and values.

Factor	Value (1-5)
Location	2 (Not very important)
Cost	5 (extremely important)
Academic Reputation	5 (extremely important)
Athletic Scholarships Available	3 (Somewhat important)
Coach & Coaching Staff	5 (Extremely important)
Teammates	4 (Important)
Conference of the School	2 (Not very important)
Division of the School	3 (Somewhat important)
Coed	1 (Does not matter)
Housing Situation	2 (Not very important)
Desired major offered	4 (Important)

The next step is to rate each factor for each school you are considering using the following scale:

- 1—Poor*
- 2—Fair*
- 3—Average*
- 4—Above Average*
- 5—Excellent*

In the above sample, location is ranked with a 2—not very important. If a school is located in an undesirable area, then it would receive a poor evaluation (1). Therefore, its location score would be 2 (2 x 1).

Calculate the totals for each school. The higher the score, the more the school meets your needs. See sample worksheet on the next page.

Sample College Rating Worksheet								
Factors & Value	East Universit	Total	South Universit	Total	Midwest Universit	Total	West College	Total
Location (2)	5 (5 x 2)	10	3 (3 x 2)	6	2 (2 x 2)	4	1 (1 x 2)	2
Cost (5)	3	15	2	10	2	10	1	5
Academic Reputation (5)	3	15	3	15	5	25	3	15
Athletic Scholarships Available (3)	5	15	5	15	5	15	3	9
Coach & Coaching Staff (5)	2	10	1	5	5	25	5	25
Teammates (4)	4	16	5	20	3	12	5	20
Conference of the School (2)	5	10	5	10	4	8	2	4
Division of the School	5	15	5	15	5	15	4	12
Coed (1)	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Housing Situation (2)	4	8	5	10	3	6	1	2
Desired Major Offered (5)	1	5	5	25	3	15	1	5
Totals	East	134	South	126	Midwest	140	West	104

In the above example, Midwest University receives the highest ranking. The higher the ranking, the more the school meets your needs.