Finding the Right Fit:
What to look for when choosing a college with
LD Programs and Services

Listed you will find some questions you might want to explore as you compare the various services and programs at different colleges. This checklist can help you to evaluate the colleges that you are interested in.

	Yes/No	Comments
Does the college have a comprehensive program?		
Is the college culture sensitive to the gifts and needs of LD students?		
Are LD students fully integrated into the college?		
Reputation and/or length of program existence?		
Is there a fee?		
Academic credit received?		
What is used to evaluate students for admission? SAT/ACT Letter of Recommendation Personal Statement Personal Interview Psycho-Educational Report Special Application		
Are LD Specialists available? Professional level of training Appropriate staff/student ratio		
What is the nature of the support? Strategy Instruction (for reading comprehension, time management, etc.) Development of Metacognition Mentoring Strength Discovery Self-Advocacy Strengthening		
Is there a preparatory Summer Program?		
Is there academic advising that integrates LD issues?		
Are facilities inviting and appropriate?		
Is there an Assistance Technology Center? Accessible Textbooks (e.g., audio support for electronic text) Kurzweil Readers Voice-activated Dictation Software Outlining Software Recording Pens Book Scanning Services Calculators		
Is assistance and training available in the use of assistive technologies?		
Are the following services available? Extended Time Note Takers Alternative Exam Arrangement Assistive Technology Training		
Is subject area tutoring available? Professional Peer		
Are these counseling services are available? LD Support ADD Counseling Individual Substance Abuse Issues Career		