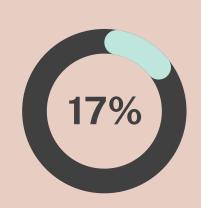
APPLYING TO COLLEGE

As a Trans Student

Applying to college and trying to figure out a good fit for you is hard enough, but when you're applying to college and you're trans, non-binary, genderfluid, or genderqueer, it can be especially tough.



In 2018, the Association of American Universities found that out of a sample of more than 180,000 students, nearly 17% identified as gay, lesbian, bisexual, asexual, queer, or questioning.

4 QUICK TIPS:

- 1. Keep up with the forms: make sure each school knows both your preferred and legal names.
- 2. Think about your essays: to come out or not to come out? Ask yourself: do I want to attend a college that would deny me because of who I am?
- 3. Check state laws: the most supportive campus in the world can't help you if the state denies access to specialized care.

4. Ask questions:

- Do they have gender-inclusive housing?
- Do they have a nondiscrimination policy for trans/queer students?
- Do they allow students to change their names on campus records?
- What resources and opportunities do they have to support trans/queer students?

resources for students

- MIT's Blog: Applying While Transgender
- FAQ About Transgender Students at Colleges and Universities
- Campus Pride Trans Policy Clearinghouse
- Recordings from NJCAC LGBTQ+ College Fair and Info Sessions
- <u>LGBTO+ Youth HRC Human Rights Campaign</u>

RESOURCES FOR PARENTS

- Free to Be Me: A Toolkit to Protect LGBTQIA+ Students' Rights by txtranskids.org
- OutYouth Texas Resources for Parents
- Supporting Transgender Students in the College Application Process
- Sign up for the **Equality Texas** newsletter



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LOOKING FOR COLLEGE SUGGESTIONS?

These schools are suggested for trans-friendly resources and environments

Virginia Commonwealth Babson College Ithaca College CU Boulder University of Oregon Tufts University Wheaton College **Rutgers University** Claremont McKenna College UC Santa Barbara Pacific University Oregon Oregon State University of Montana Vassar College Washington State University University of Washington

Western Washington University University of Connecticut Macalester College Clark University Massachusetts SUNY New Paltz Hampshire College Bard College Oberlin College Denison University The New School

New York University Wesleyan University Sarah Lawrence College Kenyon College Tulane University

Northern Arizona University

Whitman College Northeastern University Skidmore College Simmons University Clark University Evergreen Reed College Allegheny College University of Vermont Pitzer College Brown University Occidental College Goucher College Beloit College Augustana University Knox College