As an adult learner, you will have some unique questions to ask college representatives when you visit a college campus. Here are some questions you should ask:

When you speak with an admissions representative, ask:

1. What is the admissions process for an adult learner?
2. What documents will I need to provide?
3. Will I have to take any placement tests?
4. Do you offer specialized programs that will work with my schedule? These might include evening or weekend courses, accelerated programs, independent study, online degree programs, distance education, and academic transfer programs.
5. Do you offer career assessment resources to help me decide on a field of study?
6. I previously took courses at the different college. Will those courses transfer to this school?
7. Do you offer the CLEP (College-Level Examination Program) as a way to earn college credit for what I already know?
8. Do you offer “Adult Basic Education” courses to help bring me up to speed in areas such as math, science, and English?
9. Are tutors available?
10. Do you have a daycare center for my children while I’m in class or studying?
11. Where would I park my car? Is there a cost for parking?
12. Can I expect to see other adult learners in my classes?
13. Will I have an academic advisor to offer guidance on courses I should take?

When you speak with a financial aid representative, ask:

1. How do apply for financial aid? What is the deadline?
2. Does this college offer scholarships for adult learners? If so, how do I apply and what is the deadline?
3. Can you provide an estimate of my financial aid package?
4. Do you offer a tuition payment plan?
5. Are there other options that will help me pay for college?

Depending on your situation, you might also ask the financial aid representative:

1. Will financial aid be available if I enroll in a master’s degree program?
2. I was laid off from my job. Are benefits available that will help pay my tuition?
3. I am a veteran. What is the process for accessing education benefits from the military?