

Questions for yourself and the University/coach:

1. Does this university have my major?
2. How many students are at this university?
3. How many swimmers/divers are on this team?
4. Is the team co-ed? If so, do women and men train together? If not, what is the relationship between the two? Do they travel together? Are the conference meets together? How many coaches are there, if they are combined?
5. What is the level of training/yardage I am looking for? Find out from coaches what their level is.
6. What are the coaches' strengths/weaknesses?
7. Of what value is the swim program to the athletic department?
8. If I swim here, will I travel right away? If not, what will it take?
9. Is weight training part of the program, or some type of dryland? If so, what kind of dryland is done?
10. If I break a bone or am injured and cannot swim, do you take my scholarship away?
11. What is the process for annual scholarship renewal (they cannot "guarantee" a 4 or 5 year scholarship)? What is needed to get 5th year aid?
12. What is the average GPA of the team?
13. What would I mainly swim in dual meets?
14. Do we have Thanksgiving/Christmas off? If so, for how long?
15. Is there a training trip over the winter holiday break? (what fees are involved?)
16. After the last meet of the season (conference/NCAA), how much of a break is taken? What are spring and summer training expectations? How many stay on campus to take classes and train over the summer months?
17. If I'm not on a full scholarship, what do I have to do to earn one?
18. Is this university on quarters or semesters? Which do I prefer?
19. Is there a training table for athletes, or do we eat in the cafeteria?
20. What academic advising/tutoring services are available to athletes? Is there a charge for tutorial services?
21. Do you have a mandatory study hall for athletes? (freshman year only, or by GPA, or for the whole team?)
22. If the coach left, would I want to remain at this university?
23. Does the school have a solid academic reputation?
24. Would I choose this school if I was not a swimmer?
25. What percentage of students get jobs in my field of study upon graduation?
26. In order to gain experience through internships, would something be available in my field of study?
27. What percentage of student athletes graduate from this university? From this team?
28. Does this university have a graduate program to fit my interest?
29. Am I choosing the appropriate level for myself as far as athletics and academics are concerned?

30. Does the staff and program fit my needs?
31. Do I socially fit in with this group of swimmers?
32. Am I looking for a large city or a small college town setting?
33. Can my family afford travel to and from school for holidays, or do I have friends/family in their area to stay with in the area if not?
34. Can my family afford to send me to this school?
35. What kinds of grants/financial aid are available, and how can I get information on them?