AAP Quiz for current and new members

Colgate University is a highly selective liberal arts university located on a beautiful hillside in Hamilton, New York. Since the institution is constantly changing, we want to provide you with a series of questions which will help you gauge your knowledge of Colgate. Feel free to use the viewbook, course catalogue, and your AAP Manual as you answer these questions. Many of these facts are core statistics and points of interest that come up in the recruitment process. Please familiarize yourself with this basic information, and keep your eyes out for more updates from campus!

1. What is the CORE?
   a. A 5 course requirement in the Colgate curriculum
   b. A 4 course requirement in the Colgate curriculum
   c. A 6 course requirement in the Colgate curriculum
   d. A 3 course requirement in the Colgate curriculum

2. How many majors are offered at Colgate?
   a. 45
   b. 48
   c. 50
   d. 51

3. What minor has most recently been added at Colgate?
   a. Middle Eastern Studies and Islamic Civilization
   b. Journalism
   c. Film & Media Studies
   d. Architecture

4. Does Colgate award merit-based scholarships?
   a. Yes, both academic and athletic scholarships.
   b. Yes, but only athletic scholarships to a limited number of sports.
   c. Yes, but only academic scholarships.
   d. No, all aid is need-based.

5. What is the percentage of students involved in fraternities and sororities?
   a. 35%
   b. 44%
   c. 25%
   d. 55%

6. How many Division I sports are offered for men and women respectively?
   a. 13 women’s sports and 12 men’s sports.
   b. 10 women’s sports and 15 men’s sports.
   c. 12 women’s sports and 13 men’s sports.
   d. 15 women’s sports and 10 men’s sports.

7. What is the difference between Early Decision and Early Action? (We only offer Early Decision.)
   a. The Early Decision deadline is in November. Early Action deadline is in January.
   b. Early Decision is not binding. Early Action is binding.
   c. Early Decision is binding. Early Action is not binding.
   d. There is no difference. Early Action and Early Decision are the same.
8. Are interviews evaluative, and can I do interviews in my hometown?
   a. Interviews are evaluative, and you can have an alumni interview in your hometown.
   b. Interviews are non-evaluative, and you can have an alumni interview in your hometown.
   c. Interviews are evaluative, and you cannot have an alumni interview in your hometown.
   d. Interviews are non-evaluative, and you cannot have an alumni interview in your hometown.

9. Does Colgate offer study abroad programs, and are there domestic programs available?
   a. Yes. Colgate offers 24 off-campus study programs including domestic programs.
   b. Yes. Colgate offers 15 off-campus study programs including domestic programs.
   c. No. Colgate offers only domestic programs.
   d. No. Colgate does not offer any off-campus programs.

10. Does Colgate offer pre-med or pre-law majors?
    a. Yes; Colgate offers pre-law as a major, but not pre-med.
    b. No; Colgate does not offer pre-med or pre-law, and Colgate would not properly prepare someone looking to enter either career.
    c. Yes; Colgate offers majors in both pre-law and pre-med.
    d. No; but Colgate does offer pre-health sciences and pre-law as pre-professional programs. Students who wish to pursue this academic track would meet with an advisor or committee of advisors who would assist the student in the course selection and graduate school process.

11. What standardized testing is required for admission to Colgate?
    a. The SAT I only
    b. Three SAT IIs
    c. The ACT only
    d. SAT I or ACT

12. What are the application deadlines for Colgate?
    a. Early Decision Option I – November 15; Early Decision Option II – January 1; Regular Decision – January 15.
    b. Early Decision Option I – November 1; Early Decision Option II – January 1; Regular Decision – January 15.
    c. Early Decision Option I – November 15; Early Decision Option II – January 15; Regular Decision – January 15.
    d. Early Decision Option I – November 1; Early Decision Option II – January 1; Regular Decision – January 1.

13. What are the application deadlines for transfer students?
    a. Spring transfer – December 1; fall transfer – March 15.
    b. Spring transfer – November 15; fall transfer – March 1.
    c. Spring transfer – November 1; fall transfer March 1.
    d. Spring transfer – November 1; fall transfer – March 15.

14. What percentage of the student body is comprised of international students?
    a. 2%
    b. 5%
    c. 1%
15. Name two talking points about financial aid at Colgate.
   a. We offer academic merit aid and controlled loan limits.
   b. We offer both athletic and academic scholarships.
   c. We maintain student contributions at a reasonable level and control loan limits.
   d. We maintain student contributions at a reasonable level and offer merit-aid.

16. Is Colgate need-blind?
   a. Colgate strives to be need-blind and admit the most talented applicants.
   b. Colgate is need-blind only for athletes.
   c. Colgate is need-blind only for international students.
   d. Colgate is need-blind every year for every student.

17. About how many students pursue either a double major or minor?
   a. 38%
   b. 22%
   c. 50%
   d. 5%

18. What are the most popular majors?
   a. Psychology, Economics, and Biology.
   b. Economics, Political Science, and English.
   c. Economics, Psychology, and Sociology/Anthropology.
   d. English, Education, and Psychology.

19. What is the name of Colgate’s service organization?
   a. CORE
   b. COVE
   c. ALANA
   d. CEWS

20. What is the most important factor in the admission process?
   a. Test scores
   b. Transcript
   c. Essays
   d. Recommendations

21. Which of the following is not a component of the New Vision for Residential Education?
   a. A sophomore program on the Arts of Democracy.
   b. A new vision for Broad Street housing that includes university-owned fraternity and sorority houses.
   c. A Life Skills program for first-years.
   d. Removing Colgate’s off-campus living options for seniors.

22. What is the distribution requirement at Colgate?
   a. The Core program is the only distribution requirement.
   b. Four courses in each of the three academic divisions — humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics.
   c. Two courses in each of the three academic divisions — humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics.
   d. The Core, plus a writing and language course.
23. In what programs do Colgate alums work with the Career Services Office?
   a. A Day in the Life Program for students to shadow alumni.
   b. Information sessions on campus to speak about their respective field.
   c. The Real World program for seniors in January.
   d. All of the above.

24. What is the LOFT?
   a. A leadership program for a first-year residence hall.
   b. The new coffeehouse on campus.
   c. A component of the PE requirement.
   d. A new Broad Street house.

THE END...Now check your answers
1. What is the CORE?
   b. Colgate’s CORE has been at the center of the curriculum since 1928, and it is recognized as one of the most ambitious and elegant general education programs in the country. The CORE asks students both to confront the question of “Who am I?” and to cultivate habits of mind that form the lifelong legacy of a liberal arts education.

All Colgate students take 4 Core classes: 1) Western Traditions; 2) Challenges of Modernity; 3) Core cultures of the Asias, Africas and the Americas; and, 4) Scientific perspectives course to study how the world has been shaped by science and technology.

2. How many majors are offered at Colgate?
   c. Colgate offers 51 different majors.

3. What minor has most recently been added at Colgate?
   a. Approved summer 2004, The newest minor at Colgate is Middle Eastern Studies and Islamic Civilization. However, Film & Media Studies, approved in the 2002-2003 academic year, is also relatively new. It allows students to take advantage of the new digital facilities in Little Hall.

4. Does Colgate award merit-based scholarships?
   b. In October 2003, the Board of Trustees passed the Strategic Plan, which includes granting athletic scholarships in a select number of sports. Teams that center on group (versus individual) results and that are forced to carry a full Patriot League schedule receive the scholarships, which aim to improve the caliber of athlete and student that is typically wooed away by Ivy competitors.

5. What is the percentage of students involved in fraternities and sororities?
   b. Of the entire student body, 35% of students participate in a fraternity or sorority. However, of those who are eligible (sophomores, juniors, and seniors), 44% of the student body are members of a fraternity or sorority.

6. How many Division I sports are offered for men and women respectively?
   a. Colgate offers 25 varsity level sports, 13 women’s sports and 12 men’s sports.

7. What is the difference between Early Decision and Early Action?
   c. Early Decision is the term used to describe the binding agreement the student makes with an institution, that, if admitted, the student will enroll. Early Action is a term used to describe early notification, yet a student is not committed to enroll at that particular institution. Colgate uses only Early Decision.

8. Are interviews evaluative, and can I do interviews in my hometown?
   b. Interviews at Colgate are non-evaluative and have no bearing on the admission process. We do offer informational alumni interviews in many regions of the country.

9. Does Colgate offer study abroad programs, and are there domestic programs available?
   a. Currently, faculty and students travel to 24 locations for off-campus study groups. By sponsoring its own programs, Colgate ensures that its students can participate without falling behind in their major. These include international programs, in addition to four groups within the U.S.

10. Are there pre-med or pre-law majors, and will I have difficulty going to these graduate schools from Colgate?
11. What standardized testing is required for admission to Colgate?
   d. All admission candidates must submit the results of standardized testing according to one of two options:
      a. The Scholastic Assessment Test – SAT I: Reasoning Test (verbal and mathematics).
      b. The American College Testing Program (ACT).

12. What are the application deadlines for Colgate?
   c. All first-year applications for Regular Decision must be postmarked by January 15. Notification for Regular Decision candidates are mailed by April 1. Students must respond by May 1 with a $500 non-refundable deposit.

   Two early decision options are provided for students who are certain that Colgate is their first choice. Early Decision Option I candidates must apply by November 15, and decisions are sent by December 15. Early Decision Option II candidates must apply by January 15. Option II decisions are made on a rolling basis, beginning in early January. Regular Decision candidates may convert to ED II by filing the Early Decision agreement prior to March 1.

13. What is the application deadline for transfer students?
   d. Spring transfer application must be postmarked by November 1. Fall transfer applications must be postmarked by March 15.

14. What percentage of the student body is comprised of international students?
   b. 5% of the Colgate student body is comprised of international students.

15. Name two talking points about financial aid at Colgate.
   c.
      a. Controlled loan limit – The average debt incurred by Colgate students on financial aid is roughly $13,000.
      b. Reasonable home equity – We consider both family income and local real estate market values in determining how much of this asset is available as a resource.
      c. We are dedicated to meeting the need of continuing students who require financial aid—if a student does not receive or does not qualify for aid in the first year, but shows financial need in subsequent years, Colgate provides financial aid, including grant funds.
      d. We maintain student contributions at a reasonable level. First-year students are expected to contribute at least $1,100, and upper-class students contribute $1,400 from their summer jobs. These contribution levels have not increased in recent years and are quite competitive when compared with policies at most peer institutions.
      e. We recognize top candidates with preferential need-based awards—full grant to meet demonstrated need is awarded to Alumni Memorial Scholars. In addition, all Scholars, regardless of their financial aid status, may receive a fellowship of up to $5,000 to pursue research, internships, or projects related to their academic interests.
      f. With the passing of Colgate’s Strategic Plan, athletic scholarships are now granted for select sports.

16. Is Colgate need-blind?
   a. Colgate University strives to be need-blind and admit the most talented applicants, regardless of their financial circumstances.

17. How many students pursue either a double major or minor?
   c. 29% of all students double major, and 19% of students pursue a minor—so 48% of students go beyond the requirement of one concentration at Colgate.

18. What are the most popular majors?
b. Economics (10%), English (10%), Political Science (9%), Sociology/Anthropology (8%), History (8%).

19. What is the name of Colgate’s service organization?
   b. Colgate’s new Center for Outreach, Volunteerism and Education (COVE) is a place where students and faculty can change the world through community service and political citizenship.

20. What is the most important factor in the admission process?
   b. Academic achievement, as demonstrated on the high school transcript, is the most important quality in the admission process. An academic record is evaluated strictly in terms of course selection and achievement. The strongest applicants will have completed five major academic courses per year whenever possible, and the senior year is most important in a student’s final preparation for college.

21. Which of the following is not a component of the New Vision for Residential Education?
   d. The Residential Education Vision is a four-year plan that, among various programs, stipulates that all Colgate students must live in University housing, with the exception of the 250 seniors who will continue to be granted off-campus living status each year.

22. What is the distribution requirement at Colgate?
   c. Over the course of a student’s four years at Colgate, he or she must take two classes in each of the three divisions—humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics.

23. In what programs do Colgate alums work with the Career Services Office?
   d. Colgate is noted for its strong alumni network, and this includes a variety of programs through Career Services. “A Day in the Life” allows students to shadow alumni on the job, while information sessions and “Real World” bring alumni back to campus to share their experiences.

24. What is the LOFT?
   a. Colgate offers several special interest opportunities for first-years, and the LOFT is a leadership program in one specific residence hall.

Please remember to always bring your AAP Manual to help answer any questions you may be asked so that you can provide the most up-to-date and factual information regarding Colgate, the campus, and our admission policies.

Thanks for participating!