Navigating a College Website

Every university website will be designed differently. However, the information that needs to be researched is the same. This guide will use UNH's website as an example.

Admission Requirements

How to Apply: First-Year Undergraduate Admissions

The admissions page should give information about what a school looks for in a candidate, how they handle the SAT, acceptance trends, and application timeline. For large universities, this part of the website may include contact information for the admission's counselor for NH applicants.

Costs - Scholarships and Financial Aid

Costs | Financial Aid

This section of a university's website can be difficult to uncover. For UNH, it is located under Admissions. Since financial aid packages vary from student to student, the phone number for the financial aid office is the most important item to find. Additionally, all higher education institutions are required to have a Net Price Calculator tool in this part of their website. The Net Price Calculator can help families get an estimate of their cost of attendance with financial aid: <u>Net Price Calculator</u>

Student Life

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In this section you will find information on student clubs, intramural sports, dining hall menus and an overview of campus dormitory life. When looking through Student Life pages, pictures are very important. Do the students appear happy? Can you imagine yourself in the photos, too?

Degree Requirements

Mechanical Engineering Major (B.S.)

Perhaps the most difficult to find yet most important part of a university's website is the classes needed to graduate with a degree in a specific major. In order to find this information, I usually start with a Google search "name of university name of major degree pathway/plan/requirements" (UNH Mechanical Engineering degree plan). Every university's degree pathway should be divided by year. There will be a mixture of general education/liberal arts courses that all students must take regardless of their major as well as classes that are required for their specific major.