# Tailored Skills



# Learn: Applying for College

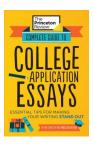
### **Books and Materials**

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The bound-for-college guidebook: a step-by-step guide to finding and applying to colleges

by Frank Burtnett Presents a step-by-step guide to finding a college, from exploring the options to deciding where to go to



Complete guide to college application essays: Essential Tips for Making Your Writing Stand Out

by Princeton Review
This user-friendly guide gives
struggling students the step-by-step
writing help they need to perfect the

writing on their college applications, from the allimportant personal essays to the supplemental material like short answer questions and resumes. Also available on Libby & Overdrive.

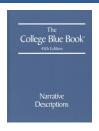


The Best 386 Colleges 2021: In-depth Profiles & Ranking Lists to Help Find the Right College for You

by Princeton Review
This comprehensive guide to the
nation's best colleges provides indepth profiles on schools, best-of lists

by interest, and tons of helpful student-driven details that will help you or your student choose their bestfit colleges! Available on Libby & Overdrive.

## Online Library Resources



### The College Blue Book

by Gale

Guide to thousands of 2-and 4-year schools in the U.S. and Canada. Covers the expected listings and detailed descriptions, degree programs offered, scholarships, and occupational education programs.



### LearningExpress Library

This database contains a College Admission Test

Preparation section to help prepare for any entrance exams. It also provides guidance for writing college admission essays. In addition to the preparation assistance, it features a School & Scholarship finder to help you choose the best college for you.



#### **JobNow**

Having trouble choosing a major? Check out eParachute

from JobNow! It will help you discover the college majors and careers that match your skills and interests. Use the Writing Lab to have an expert review your application essay for tips on how to improve it.



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### **Online Courses**



#### Khan Academy

Life Skills: College Admissions Course description:

We interviewed admissions officers across the country and compiled their advice into this comprehensive resource to help you make the most of your application process. Get tips on how to prep for your admissions interview, help brainstorming for your college essay, and advice on asking your teachers for letters of recommendation. Whatever stage of the application process you're in, we've got you covered. This course may contain ads and its content does not reflect the views of the Metropolitan Library System.



# LinkedIn Learning College Prep: Writing a Strong Essav

Course description: Given today's competitive college admissions process, a

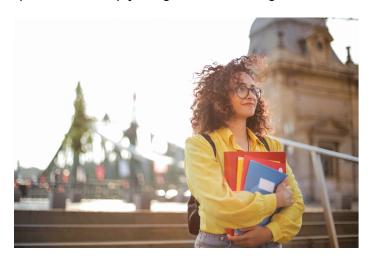
strong essay is critical. It can be the difference between acceptance and rejection. In this course, writing instructor Leigh Ann Chow covers planning, drafting, editing, and polishing an unforgettable college essay. She explains how the essay is used in determining acceptance and reviews good and bad essay examples. These lessons will not only help improve your chances of getting into a top-choice school, but also make you a better writer once you get there.

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### Other Tips

### Take a Tour!

Most colleges and universities will offer campus tours to prospective students. Use that tour as an opportunity to take a look at the campus and ask questions to help you figure out if it is a good fit.



#### Check this out:

Take a look at the How To Get Into College: Ultimate Guide to Admissions article from Affordable Colleges Online to see a useful College Admission Timeline as well as tips and resources for navigating the admissions process.

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