

HOW TO FIND THE RIGHT COLLEGE

WHETHER YOU ARE A FRESHMAN OR A SENIOR, YOU CAN USE THESE RESOURCES TO CONDUCT YOUR COLLEGE RESEARCH AND GET INFORMATION ABOUT COLLEGES.



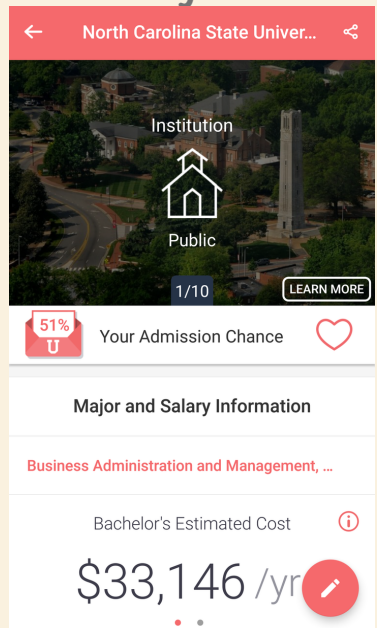
SCHOOLD

-**TYPE:** App

-**FEATURES:** Admission coach(a professional who can answer any possible questions), admission chance, estimated cost based on major, estimated starting salaries, majors offered, school contact information. Search by area, major, name, or career.

-**USEFUL FOR:** Retrieving personal data by inputting your information (such as GPA and income),

-**DOWNSIDES:** Little basic college information, such as housing; no advanced college search



COLLEGE BOARD

- **TYPE:** Website (collegeboard.org)
- **FEATURES:** ANY basic college information (cost, location, type); where you stand compared to other students; deadlines; studying materials for admission tests; save colleges
- **USEFUL FOR:** Knowing all the basics about the college.
- **DOWNSIDES:** Little ability to get personalized data; not a good advanced college search

The screenshot shows the College Board profile for North Carolina State University. At the top, the university name and location (Raleigh, NC) are displayed. Below this are navigation links: 'Add to My College List', 'See if you're on track', 'Compare colleges', and 'Print complete college profile'. The main content area is divided into several sections: 'At a Glance' with sub-sections for Deadlines, Majors & Learning Environment, Campus Life, Applying, and Paying; 'For International Students'; 'MORE TO EXPLORE' with a list of similar colleges; and a large descriptive paragraph about the university. On the right side, there are two red and green callout boxes: 'Are you on track?' with a progress indicator and 'Does this college have what you want and need?' with a checklist of three items. The bottom of the page features a navigation bar with 'Welcome!', 'Sign up', 'Sign in', 'Me', 'My Colleges', and 'My Plan'.

North Carolina State University
Raleigh, NC

[Add to My College List](#) [See if you're on track](#) [Compare colleges](#) [Print complete college profile](#)

At a Glance

- Deadlines
- Majors & Learning Environment
- Campus Life
- Applying
- Paying

For Transfer Students

For International Students

MORE TO EXPLORE

Students who viewed this college also viewed these:
[See similar colleges](#)

A large, 4-year, public university. This coed college is located in a large city in an urban setting and is primarily a residential campus. It offers associate, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees.

www.ncsu.edu

Are you on track?

See if you're set to meet this college's requirements – and how you can get there.

[Go to Academic Tracker](#)

Does this college have what you want and need?

1. Go to [College Search](#)
2. Identify what's important
3. Check back to see how this college compares

Welcome! [Sign up](#) [Sign in](#) Me My Colleges My Plan

COLLEGE XPRESS

- **TYPE:** Website (collegexpress.com)
- **FEATURES:** Save and compare colleges, see scholarships, see school ranks, an advanced college search (inputting what you want in a college and getting results)
- **USEFUL FOR:** Knowing all about a college; finding scholarships; refining your college search
- **DOWNSIDES:** Not easy to navigate

The screenshot displays the College Xpress website interface. At the top, there are navigation icons for College Search, Grad School Search, Scholarship Search, Lists and Rankings, Summer Programs, Explore Interests, \$10,000 Scholarship, and Parents & Counselors. A search bar contains the text "Search College/press...". Below the search bar, the results for "North Carolina State University -- Raleigh" are shown, including a "compare" button and a "save" button. A green button says "Yes, connect me!". The main content area features a red banner for "NC STATE UNIVERSITY" and a photo of a building. Below this is a navigation bar with tabs for Overview, School Profiles, Lists & Rankings, Campus, Student Body, Admissions, Cost & Financial Aid, Majors, Athletics, Transfer, International, and Services. The "Tuition & Fees" section shows a price of "\$8,880" with options for "in state" and "out-of-state". The "Test Scores" section shows a bar chart for "Percent of freshmen in each score range" for SAT and ACT, with data for Reading, Math, and Writing. The "Scholarship" section shows a "\$10,000" offer and a "Register now" button. The bottom of the page shows "Ratios" for undergraduate students, "Selective" status, and "Public" status.

College Xpress

Search College/press... Sign Up Login

North Carolina State University -- Raleigh
Raleigh, NC

Are you interested? [compare](#) [save](#)
[Yes, connect me!](#)

NC STATE UNIVERSITY

Overview School Profiles Lists & Rankings Campus Student Body Admissions Cost & Financial Aid Majors Athletics Transfer International Services

Tuition & Fees
\$8,880
not including room and board
[in state](#) [out-of-state](#)
[More Financial Details](#)

Test Scores [SAT](#) [ACT](#)
Percent of freshmen in each score range

Subject	Score Range	Percentage
READING	700-800	11%
	600-699	47%
MATH	500-599	38%
	400-499	4%
WRITING	300-399	0%
	200-299	0%

[More Admissions Details](#)

\$10,000
Are you our next winner?
Register now for our scholarship giveaway

I am a *
High school student

First Name

Ratios undergraduate
Selective 50% Public 22,158

CFNC

- **TYPE:** Website (cfnc.org)
- **FEATURES:** Take a quiz and get results as to where you should go; scholarships; basic college information
- **USEFUL FOR:** Knowing all about a college; finding scholarships; refining your college search
- **DOWNSIDES:** Only North Carolina schools; a little hard to navigate

The screenshot shows the CFNC.org website interface. At the top, the logo 'CFNC.org' is displayed with the tagline 'Helping you plan, apply, and pay for college'. The navigation bar includes links for 'My CFNC', 'Plan', 'Apply', 'Pay', and 'Save (NC 529)'. Below this, there are tabs for 'For High School', 'For College', and 'For A Career'. The main content area features a profile for 'North Carolina State University'. On the left, a vertical menu lists categories like 'About', 'Admissions', 'Academics', 'Cost & Financial Aid', 'Student Life', 'Transfer Students', 'International Students', 'Learning Disabilities', and 'Campus Photos & Videos'. The main profile section includes a header with the university name, a search bar, and a 'view on map' link. Below the header is a photo of students in a classroom. A red 'NC STATE UNIVERSITY' logo is positioned to the right of the photo. At the bottom, a 'Highlights' section lists 'Type of college' as 'Public' and 'Programs/Majors offered' as 'University'.

CFNC.org Helping you plan, apply, and pay for college

College Foundation of North Carolina

866-866-CFNC(2362)

Search CFNC

My CFNC Plan Apply Pay Save (NC 529)

For High School For College For A Career

About

Admissions

Academics

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Learning Disabilities

Campus Photos & Videos

North Carolina State University

Located in Raleigh, NC

http://www.ncsu.edu/

view on map

Highlights

Type of college Public

Programs/Majors offered University

NICHE

- **TYPE:** Website (niche.com)
- **FEATURES:** See "grades" for different aspects of the college; basic college information; see student reviews of the college; access scholarships
- **USEFUL FOR:** Evaluating and comparing colleges; seeing what other students thought of the school
- **DOWNSIDES:** Not very much basic college information

The screenshot shows the Niche website interface for North Carolina State University. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Niche logo and links for 'Places to Live', 'K-12', and 'Colleges'. A search bar is located on the right side of the navigation bar. Below the navigation bar, there is a dark grey header with links for 'College Search', 'College Rankings', 'Review Your College', 'Scholarships', and '\$2,000 No Essay Scholarship'. The main content area features a large image of the university's main building. Below the image, the text reads 'North Carolina State University', '★★★☆☆ 2,800 reviews', and 'Raleigh, NC · 4 Year'. A green 'Add to List' button is visible on the right. A large green 'A' grade is prominently displayed in a circle. Below this, the text reads 'Overall Niche Grade' and 'How are grades calculated?'. To the right of the main grade, there are six smaller categories with their respective grades: Academics (A), Value (A), Diversity (B+), Campus (A), Athletics (A+), and Party Scene (A). At the bottom of the section, there is a link to 'View Full Report Card'.