

College Search Bootcamp

ACTIVITY & SKILL CHECKLIST

We set out to create a Bootcamp that sets you up for success *beyond* your college search. Along the way, you'll learn transferable skills you can apply in college and at work! Plus, you'll be ready to take on any self-paced, online learning, which will almost certainly be a part of your future someday!

Activities

Module 0: Set-Up

- Build your team
- Create your calendar
- Choose your Bootcamp schedule

Module 1: System

- Influencer Self Assessment
- Stay Focused & Tackle Roadblocks worksheet

Module 2: Self

- Zoom Out Exercise
- Introductory Diagnostic
- Prioritize Criteria Cards
- SVP Worksheet
- SVP Team Discussion

Transferable Skills

Module 0: Set-Up

- Stress relief techniques
- Self-paced learning
- Scheduling for long-term goals
- Leading a team

Module 1: System

- Analyzing a system
- Identifying influencers
- Critical thinking

Module 2: Self

- Critical thinking
- Articulating personal views
- Self-analysis and reflection
- Prioritization

Activities

Module 3: Stratification

- Stratification Worksheet
- Create Your Personal College Matrix

Module 4: Search Strategically Part 1

- Master Databases: Big Future
- Master Databases: Niche
- Track colleges in your PCM
- Search online credibly
- Cull your list exercise with college selection cards

Module 5: Search Strategically Part 2

- Dive Deeper research using social media, in-person meetings, etc.
- Create your college scorecard

Module 6: Selection

- Transform data in your PCM
- Cull your list exercise with college selection cards
- Select your 20/20
- Determine your number
- Plan ahead for applications

Transferable Skills

Module 3: Stratification

- Classifying + stratifying options
- Using excel/google sheets to create a research and decision framework

Module 4: Search Strategically Part 1

- Online market research
- Validating sources
- Data entry and organization
- Prioritization and decision making
- Research using databases (ie. Niche, Big Future, etc.)

Module 5: Search Strategically Part 2

- Online + in-person market research
- Data entry and organization
- Designing rubrics and decision frameworks

Module 6: Selection

- Transforming qualitative data to quantitative data
- Evidence-based data analysis
- Prioritization and decision-making