

**YOUR FIRST CONSIDERATION
MUST BE ACADEMIC**

FIELDS OF STUDY

- Identify your general and specific interest
- Do you prefer a research institute or one committed to undergraduate studies?
- Do you prefer innovative programs or traditional, structured programs

COLLEGE SIZE

- Do you want a broad range of activities?(i.e., larger schools offer more)
- Do you require a broad range of courses or specialized training?
- Are graduate students acceptable as instructors in lower level course?
- Do you prefer a big name program?

LOCATION

- Would you like to be close to home?
- Do you prefer a rural or urban campus?
- Do you prefer a specific climate?
- Do you wish to play in a particular conference?

COLLEGE ENVIRONMENT

- Do you prefer a particular religious affiliation?
- Conservative or liberal environment?
- Coed or single-sex institution?
- Private or State University?
- Are sororities and fraternities important?

Identify up to 10 colleges that meet your individual needs

**NOW CONSIDER THE
SOCCER PROGRAM**

IDENTIFY YOUR SKILLS

- What are your strengths? (Do you have speed, quickness, strength, etc.)
- Is your style compatible with the program you're interested in?
- What is your potential to contribute to the program and when?

IDENTIFY POTENTIAL COLLEGES

- Can you be competitive at the college's level of play?
- Competitive ness of schedule?
- Chance of making the team?
- Potential playing time in first year?
- Competence and personality of coach?

Identify 7-10 schools that meet your academic and athletic requirements

CONTACT SCHOOLS

COVER LETTER

Handwritten or typed

RESUME

Neatly typed and concise

CAMPUS VISIT:

Be prepared

Dress appropriately

Ask the right questions

KNOW THE RECRUITING RULES!