

# Needed: a Better Guide for Choosing Colleges

In “Needed: A Better Guide for Choosing Colleges” (City Journal, October 16, 2018), Steve Cohen discusses how both students, and their parents often use faulty criteria for picking a school. He maintains, “Too many students ... base their college choices on frivolities and amenities. Which are the best party schools ... are often more easily researched than whether there is a foreign language or math requirement for graduation. Sadly, parents are not much more discerning. They push their children toward schools a few slots higher in the rankings. Many more students, and their families, would make better college choices if rankings included categories that captured schools’ real differences from one another, and how much preparation for the real-world students can expect.”

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