# A Research on How to Effectively Utilize Academic and Social Resources in Universities and Colleges for New Students.

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# **Proposal**

### 1. Research Question

Our group is investigating effective methods for prospective students to conduct research on utilizing academic and even social resources and connections at universities, on campus or on websites. As senior students of the class of 2023 are graduating and beginning their college life this year, they want to quickly adapt to a new life and effectively cope with coming, challenging problems in life to become better while they are studying their four years of undergraduate programs. Therefore, our group focuses on researching and summarizing practical methods and tips for fully exploiting existing resources at schools, either on campus or through online websites, and taking one of the most famous universities as an example.

#### 2. Background Research

So far, we have researched several relevant resources online that help illustrate and examine the methods for conducting online/offline research at universities/colleges.

#### 3. Procedure

Confirm our overall research topic, learn about relevant fundamental knowledge about effective research methods and useful data collection, and visit the websites of universities to figure out homogeneity and differences in academics like faculty research, facilities and project and social resources like internships. Then, we take Cornell University as an example to illustrate how to collect information about Academics/Research/ Public Engagement/ and for first-year students. After collecting all the required information, we start to write a complete outline of the paper and add information we've researched. We finally complete the paper and prepare for the cooperative presentation.

# 4. Group task assignments and timeline

In this project, Eric is responsible for managing the general process and writing the outline; Tony and Sam are responsible for conducting background research and collecting relevant information online. The preliminary research and proposal would be completed by May 17<sup>th</sup>; The report writing will be done together: the main parts would be done by May 21<sup>st</sup>, and the remaining would be finished by May 25<sup>th</sup>. The presentation would be prepared together and shown in class later.

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