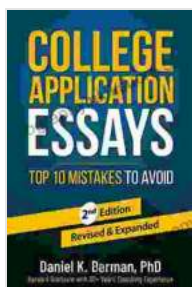


# Top 10 Mistakes to Avoid When Trying to Earn Fat Envelopes

College admissions are becoming increasingly competitive, and students are pulling out all the stops to get into their dream schools. Many students and parents turn to private college counseling companies for help, and these companies can certainly be helpful. However, there are some common mistakes that students and parents make when working with college counselors that can hurt their chances of getting into top schools.

Here are the top 10 mistakes to avoid when working with a college counselor:



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### 1. Not ng your research

Before you hire a college counselor, it's important to do your research and make sure they are a good fit for you. Ask friends and family for recommendations, read online reviews, and interview several counselors

before making a decision. You should also make sure that the counselor is familiar with the schools you are interested in and has a good track record of helping students get into those schools.

## **2. Not being honest with your counselor**

It's important to be honest with your college counselor about your academic record, extracurricular activities, and aspirations. If you are not honest, your counselor will not be able to give you the best advice and support. Be open and honest about your strengths and weaknesses, and be willing to listen to your counselor's feedback, even if it's not what you want to hear.

## **3. Not following your counselor's advice**

Once you have hired a college counselor, it's important to follow their advice. Your counselor knows the admissions process better than you do, and they are there to help you make the best decisions for your future. If you are not following your counselor's advice, you are hurting your chances of getting into top schools.

## **4. Giving up too easily**

The college admissions process can be long and difficult, but it's important to not give up. If you are struggling, talk to your counselor and ask for help. They are there to support you and help you stay on track.

## **5. Putting all your eggs in one basket**

It's important to apply to a range of schools, not just your dream schools. You never know which schools will accept you, so it's important to have options. Applying to a range of schools will also help you avoid being too disappointed if you don't get into your dream school.

## **6. Applying to schools you are not qualified for**

It's important to be realistic about your chances of getting into certain schools. If you have a low GPA or test scores, it's unlikely that you will be admitted to a top school. Don't waste your time and money applying to schools that you are not qualified for.

## **7. Not being yourself**

The college admissions process is all about getting to know you. Don't try to be someone you're not. Be yourself and let your personality shine through in your essays, applications, and interviews.

## **8. Not taking care of yourself**

The college admissions process can be stressful, but it's important to take care of yourself. Eat healthy, get enough sleep, and exercise. Take breaks when you need them and don't be afraid to ask for help from your counselor, friends, and family.

## **9. Not being prepared for the interview**

If you are invited to interview for a college, it's important to be prepared. Do your research on the school and the interviewer, and practice answering common interview questions. Dress professionally and arrive on time.

## **10. Getting discouraged**

The college admissions process can be discouraging, but it's important to stay positive. Don't let setbacks get you down. Keep working hard and never give up on your dreams.

The college admissions process can be challenging, but it's important to stay positive and avoid making these common mistakes. By following the advice in this article, you can increase your chances of getting into the schools of your choice.

### **Additional tips for avoiding fat envelopes:**

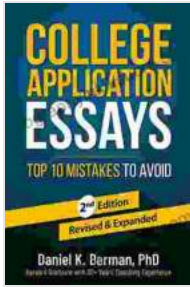
- Start early. The earlier you start working on your applications, the more time you will have to refine them and make sure they are the best they can be.
- Be organized. Keep track of your deadlines, applications, and other materials. This will help you stay on top of things and avoid missed opportunities.
- Get feedback from others. Ask your teachers, counselors, and friends to review your applications and essays. This will help you identify any areas that need improvement.
- Proofread carefully. Make sure your applications and essays are free of errors. Even small errors can reflect poorly on you and hurt your chances of admission.
- Be yourself. Don't try to be someone you're not. The admissions committee wants to get to know the real you.
- Don't give up. The college admissions process can be challenging, but it's important to stay positive and never give up on your dreams.

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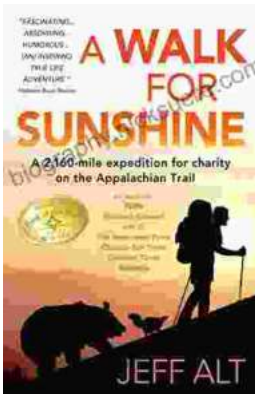
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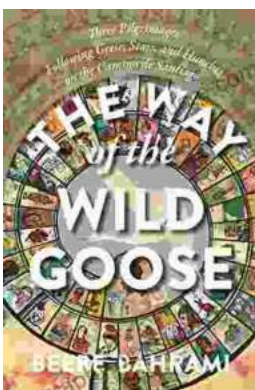


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