

NACAC National College Fairs Online
How to Navigate Guide: By Middlesex Community College, MA

Getting Ready for the Online College Fair

Step 1: Register for a Virtual Fair -

You will receive a confirmation email.

<https://www.virtualcollegefairs.org/>

Step 2: Download Zoom and Create an Account -

You can create a free Zoom account with your MCC email.

Please include your full name in the account.

<https://zoom.us/signup>

Step 3: Login to the Virtual College Fairs -

**** Do this before the event begins!**

<https://www.virtualcollegefairs.org/login>

Step 4: Look for Schools

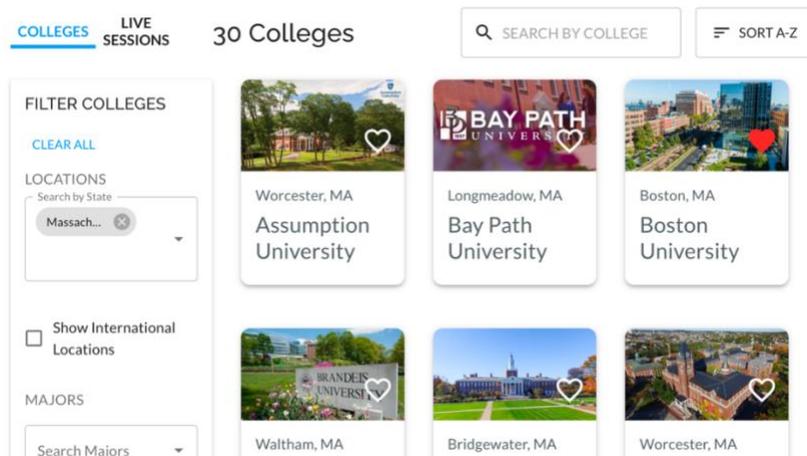
Find schools that you may be interested in connecting with and learning more about.

There will be schools from around the world!

Click Colleges

Click Filters – to narrow your school search

You can narrow it by state, major, school size, etc.



Step 5: Favorites and Saving Schools

You can click the heart and add a school to your favorites list if you would like to connect with them during the fair. Don't be afraid to explore schools you may not have thought of before.

Click the menu to view a list of your favorites



Tip: Prepare questions to ask schools ahead of time.

Ask about: your major, transfer requirements, scholarships, the school atmosphere, online vs on campus, day vs evening classes, special groups you are looking for at a campus, etc.

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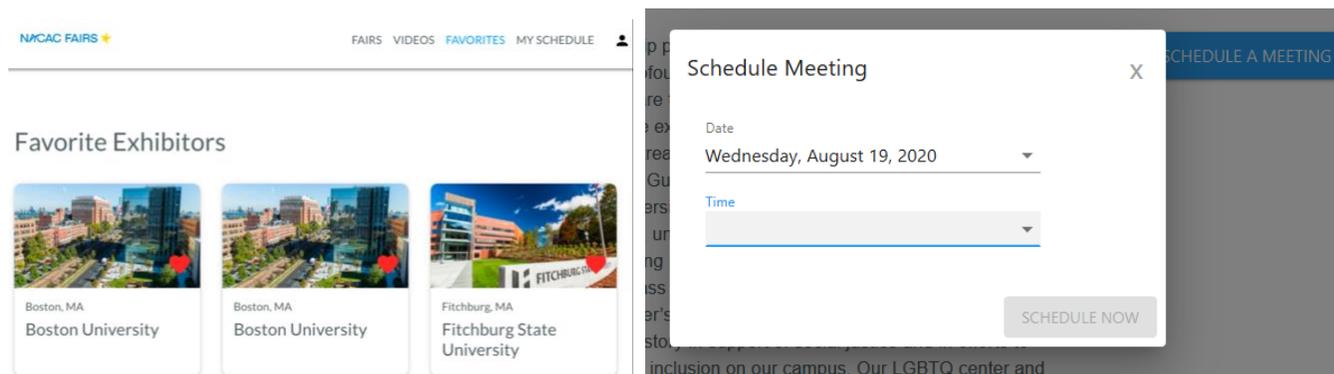
Step 1: Login to Zoom (The Day of the Virtual Fair.)

Login before entering the virtual college fair.

Step 2: Login to the Virtual Fair and Setup Meetings with Schools

You can click your favorite schools in the menu and then schedule a meeting.

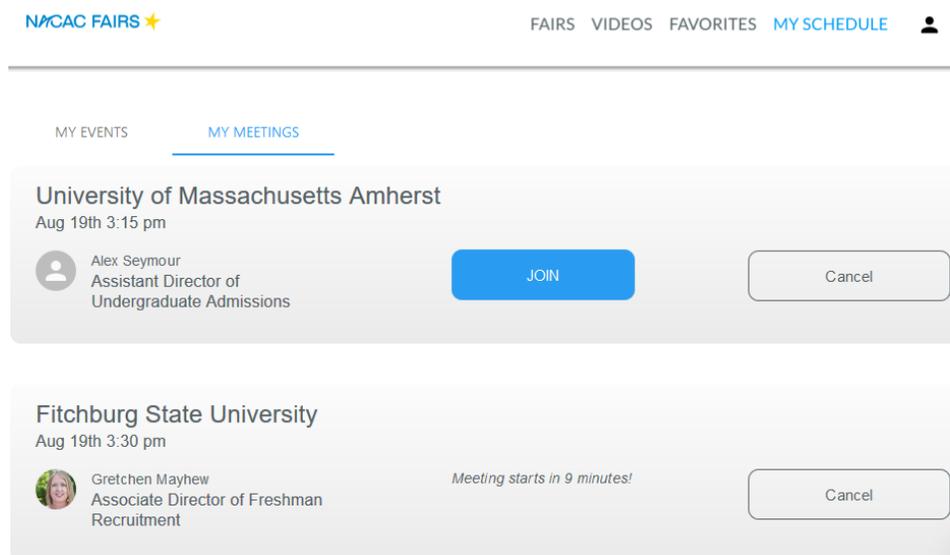
These will be appointments for you to ask individual questions.



Step 3: Join Meetings

Click “My Schedule” then “My Meetings”

Then you will see a button to join. You will join through zoom, so have that opened already.



** Tips for a Virtual Fair:

- Before you join, make sure your computer, camera, sound, etc. work.
- Be camera ready!! Turn your video on if you can. Be sure those around you are appropriate and “academic”.
- Have your questions ready. (See page 1)
- Be ready to talk about: your academic interests, your grades, what you are looking for in a school, etc.
- Take notes! Write down important information for each school. Deadlines, contact information, answers to your questions, what you liked and did not like, etc. You can take a second after your appointment to write additional notes if needed.

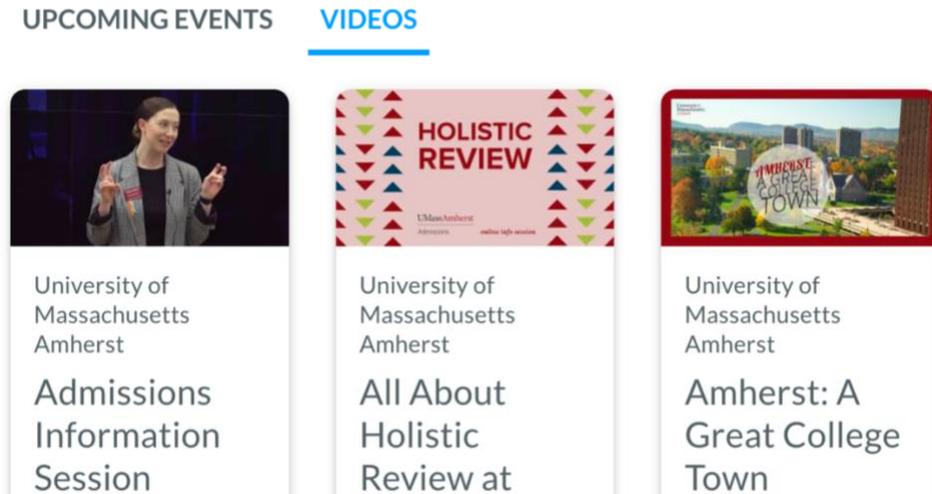
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Step 4: Sessions and Videos

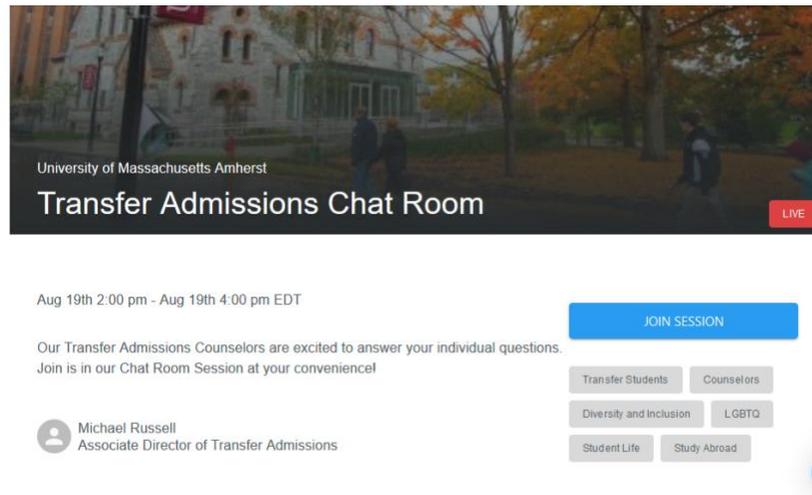
Go to the schools you have added to your favorites list.

Open a school and scroll down.

You will be able to see upcoming events/sessions and videos.



Session Example:



Step 5: Explore the Remainder of the Site and Communicate with Schools

Look at videos and schools you may not have thought about.

You may find something you did not even know you were looking for.

Tip:

You may need to allow pop-ups in your internet browser.

