



### Getting In: A College Coach Conversation

Thursday at 1 PM Pacific

**August 04th 2016: Office Hours, including Schools Out: Application Workshop - What to do with that Additional Information Section?, and Listener Admissions and College Finance Questions**

The office is open this week, as we do an all Office Hours show. We'll continue our work on the application process, and one of our focuses will be what students should include as part of the "additional information" section of the application. Hint: it could be nothing at all!. We'll also answer listener questions related to both admissions and financial aid.

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### Featured Guests



#### Kara Courtois

Kara Courtois has spent her entire career dedicated to working in education and admissions. She began and developed her admissions career at Barnard College, part of Columbia University, where she was responsible for recruiting students from New York State and then became the director of international recruitment, overseeing the recruitment, application and enrollment of domestic, European, and Canadian students. Prior to working in admissions, Kara volunteered as a classroom teacher with Americorps and also taught high school in the Washington, DC and San Francisco areas. She has a Bachelor's degree in history with a minor in medieval studies from the University of Notre Dame and a Master

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#### Beth Feinberg Keenan

Beth Feinberg Keenan has spent her entire professional career in financial aid. She started her career at Lesley University and spent over a decade at Northeastern University's Office for Student Financial Services, where she was a senior assistant director. At Northeastern, Beth worked with applicants for financial aid, athletes, and families interested in financing their educations. In addition, she has served as an ambassador with the Massachusetts Education Finance Authority, visiting Massachusetts high schools to introduce students and parents to the financial aid process and the many sources of education financing that are available. Beth is a graduate of Scripps College in Claremont

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#### Guest Image

#### Shannon Vasconcelos

Shannon Vasconcelos has worked in student financial assistance at Boston University and Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, where she served as the assistant director of financial aid. At Tufts, she was responsible for reviewing financial aid applications, determining financial aid awards, and helping families through the college financing process. In addition, Shannon has served as an active member of the Massachusetts Association of Student Financial Aid Administrator's Early Awareness and Outreach Committee, as a trainer for the Department of Education's National Training for Counselors and Mentors, and as a volunteer for FAFSA Day Massachusetts. She has a BA in economics fro

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