

EDUCATION



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Q: I have been shortlisted by two colleges and accepted by one. The colleges that have shortlisted me are my first two preferences. How do I improve my chances of getting into them? Should I just enrol in the college that has sent me the acceptance letter?

—Ricky Chopra, Dubai

A: It is always advisable to apply to several colleges rather than put all eggs in one basket. Pinning your hopes on one institute could lead to disappointment.

To improve chances of getting into your first preference, highlight those attributes that prove you are a strong candidate for the college.

Check your compatibility with their

profile and find out about their admissions history to facilitate the right decision.

Keep track of the deadlines of all colleges you have applied to. If your dream colleges have not gotten back to in time of the deadline of the one that you have been accepted into, take the standing offer.

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