

About Rob Franek, Editor-in-Chief, The Princeton Review®

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Rob Franek is a national expert on colleges and higher education. He is a publisher, editor, lecturer, media contributor and author of four books as well as a former college admissions administrator. As Editor-in-Chief at [The Princeton Review®](#), he oversees a [line](#) of more than 150 Princeton Review books distributed by Penguin Random House. Rob also directs The Princeton Review's annual surveys of students, parents, and school administrators and he reports on the survey findings at dozens of education conferences.

It is his interactions with students, parents, and counselors that Rob cites as his most inspiring professional experiences. They have been many. Over his 32-year career that began as a teacher/tutor, Rob has visited more than 1,200 high schools and more than 1,000 colleges and graduate schools.

Rob is author of [The Best 388 Colleges](#), [College Admission 101](#), [The Best Value Colleges](#) and [Colleges That Create Futures](#). He is co-author of [If the U Fits](#). He also penned the foreword to [The College Wellness Guide](#) and developed the publication of [The Ultimate Guide to HBCUs](#).

As director of The Princeton Review's national surveys, Rob has polled millions of college students for the company's widely-followed annual school rankings in dozens of categories —now in their 32nd year. He also oversees the company's annual [College Hopes & Worries Survey](#) of college applicants and their parents, and its [College Administrator Summer Survey](#).

Rob is host of more than 125 education videos that collectively have received more than a million views on The Princeton Review's [YouTube channel](#). The videos comprise four series: [Test Prep Tips & Strategies](#), [Key Concepts for Spring 2022 AP Exams](#), [COVID-19 News and Updates](#), and [College Admission 101 Learning Playlist](#).

A frequent lecturer, Rob gives more than 100 talks a year to audiences of high school students, parents, educators, and counselor/advisors. He has chaired panels at the National Association of College Admission Counseling (NACAC) conferences and been chosen to present keynotes at many of the Association's regional meetings. Rob has also delivered commencement addresses at three universities

Dubbed "*our go-to guy for all things college entrance*" by Northeast Public Radio host Bob Barrett, Rob has been sourced by many members of the media including reporters with the Associated Press, The New York Times, and The Chronicle of Higher Education. He has also appeared on hundreds of broadcasts over his career including 30 appearances on NBC Today. In his most recent Today show segment, co-anchor Hoda Kotb introduced him saying, "*He talks. We listen.*" Rob has also been interviewed on ABC, CBS, CNN, FOX, NPR, PBS, *Teen Kids News*, and Japan's NHK WORLD.

Rob earned his B.A. in Political Science and History at Drew University (NJ), at which he serves on the university's Board of Trustees. Prior to joining The Princeton Review in 1999, Rob was a college admissions administrator at Wagner College (NY) for six years. A resident of Manhattan, he is a New York history buff and an avid runner.

Some of Rob's national broadcast interviews include:

- NBC Today, "The Best 388 Colleges / Financial aid, internships, and more" August 18, 2022, <https://tinyurl.com/4bku4w8m>
- CNBC Squawk Box, "How Families Can Appeal for More College Financial Aid," June 25, 2021, <https://tinyurl.com/26mspftv>
- SCRIPPS MEDIA The Denver Channel, "SAT, ACT Important, Even as Universities Shift Away from Standardized Tests." January 5, 2022, <https://tinyurl.com/3rbyh62h>
- NORTHEAST PUBLIC RADIO The Best of Our Knowledge, "The Digital SAT," February 10, 2022, <https://tinyurl.com/matn2hsa>
- TEEN KIDS NEWS, "Applying to Colleges Early Decision," September 17, 2022, <https://tinyurl.com/3vw7t3ms>
- WESTWOOD ONE RADIO, The Jim Bohannon Show, "College Admission Advice During the Pandemic," May 3, 2021, <https://tinyurl.com/mr3e3kmr>

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Franek is pronounced FRAN-ik. A headshot of Rob is downloadable [here](#).

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