



Dear Parents and Students,

The American Women's Club of Dublin will be hosting a FREE Zoom webinar presentation on the U.S. University admissions process with Bill Short and Barrie Messinger of The Short List.

**“How U.S. Universities Made Admissions Decisions
In the Most Selective Year...Ever!”**

Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 7:00 PM

Our invited guests, Bill Short and Barrie Messinger of The Short List, have been counseling internationally-based students for over 20 years. They will use their knowledge and experience to update parents and students on the many changes that redefined U.S. university admissions this past year, driven largely by 'COVID gap year' deferrals, test optional policies, virtual classrooms and a record number of applications. They will also highlight how their US-based team of counselors used innovative approaches and strategies to help their students break through and get accepted, despite this being the most selective year...ever!

You are invited to register for this webinar – [please click here to register](#) . Your request will be reviewed and, once approved, we will email you a link to attend the webinar.

The number of webinar attendees is limited, so please [register](#) soon.

With best regards,

Noreen Griffin
President
American Women's Club of Dublin

About the AWCD

The AWCD (www.AWCD.net) is a social and philanthropic club for women. Throughout our 45-year history, this volunteer-run organization has served the community of American expatriate women living in Dublin with friendship, professional networking, and activities both cultural and philanthropic. For more information about the American Women's Club of Dublin, please email president@awcd.net.



Mr. Bill Short (Founder & President, The Short List)

Bill earned his MBA from Harvard Business School and his Bachelor of Arts from Villanova University. He is a graduate of UCLA's College Counseling Program and New York University's Career Planning & Development Program. He is also a member of Harvard's Institute on College Admissions and the National Association of College Admissions Counselors (NACAC). Bill is a certified personal coach through the Coach Training Alliance (CTA) and a member of the International Coach Federation (ICF). After earning his MBA, Bill held various executive management positions with The Walt Disney Company, the National Hockey League (NHL), Hallmark Entertainment, and Warner Brothers.



Ms. Barrie Messinger (Senior Counselor & Trainer, The Short List)

Barrie earned her College Counseling certification from UCLA and her Bachelor of Arts degree from Kalamazoo College in Michigan, where she co-led the Admissions Tele-counseling Program for prospective students. For her senior thesis, Barrie studied the challenges students from Malaysia, China, and Japan face in understanding U.S. culture and education. Barrie began her career as the Coordinator of International Initiatives at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which included international admissions recruitment in Canada and Asia. She then served as the study abroad advisor at The George Washington University in Washington, D.C. Prior to working with The Short List, Barrie was the Associate Program Dean and Regional College Relations Manager for the Institute for the International Education of Students, an international education organization. Barrie has lived, studied, and worked in Asia, Africa, and South America.