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Saint Rose Resident News

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On Campus

Living on campus is a great opportunity for the students at The College of Saint Rose. More than just a convenience, it is an important part of the social and academic growth of students. It has been established that students who live on campus have been shown to do better academically, in part due to the easy access to the campus academic support resources, such as computer labs, writing center, tutoring and the library. In addition, living in close proximity to other students who are taking the same classes helps to develop those social networks where it is easy to compare notes and organize study groups. Understanding that college often provides the first experience for students to live away from home, our staff is trained to make that transition as easy as possible for our students.

The Office of Residence Life offers a living community that strives to meet the social and academic needs of the students. We support a community based on individual responsibility, where there is an appreciation of individual rights. Our staff offers a wide variety of activities, events, and programs that are designed to provide opportunities for student interaction, development, and leadership.

Saint Rose provides facilities that are designed to be safe, clean, comfortable and conducive to student learning. The College offers a variety of housing options from traditional residence halls for freshmen to a suite-style building, Victorian houses, and apartments for upperclass students.

The Saint Rose Community

The Office of Residence Life keeps in very close contact with other departments at The College of Saint Rose, as well as off-campus agencies. These connections are important to our work with resident students. Some of the people we work most closely with are the offices of Safety and Security, Facilities, Student Affairs, Health Services, Campus Dining, Counseling Center, Intercultural Leadership, Career Center and Student Life, just to name a few. Together with these and other departments, we attempt to assess student needs and offer a myriad of services such as shuttles, escorts, support groups and workshops. We also work with these departments to provide structured activities and leadership opportunities which challenge our resident students while offering support for growth, development, and ultimately...success.

Independence can, however, have a significant impact on lifestyle choices. College life offers more freedom than other environments. There are not curfews established for the residents and the student is responsible for following his/her class schedule, dining hall hours, and College policies. There will be many activities to choose from, some helpful and others distracting. Students who are observed making questionable lifestyle choices in areas such as personal health or academics are directed toward appropriate offices on campus.

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Examples of typical rooms in Brubacher Hall



The Office of

Residence Life

support the academic
success of the student
by providing a safe,
comfortable and
positive living
environment.

hopes to promote and

Furnishings, etc.

The College provides each student with a standard size twin bed, desk, desk chair, dresser and wardrobe or built in closet. Students may bring additional furnishings, but please check with your roommate first! Find out what they are bringing. You don't want to duplicate or not have enough space in the room.

Please note—only 1
refrigerator and 1 microwave per room is allowed.*

Each room is equipped with basic cable service. If a student wants premium channels, they can make arrangements with Time Warner Cable.

For technology information in student rooms and on-campus, visit <u>its.strose.edu</u>. Every resident student has

a free e-mail account through the College whether or not they have their own computer.

Freshman Only:

*Small personal refrigerators must not exceed 115 volts and 3.1 cubic feel, and Energy Star rated-Microwaves must not exceed 700 watts and 0.7 cubic feel and both appliances must be UL approved.

Prohibited Items

The following is a list of items that are prohibited:

- × Torchiere or halogen lamps
- × Hot plate/burner
- × Electric coils
- × Sunlamp
- × Air Conditioner
- × Heater
- × Electric Percolator
- × "Hot Pot"
- × Toaster/Toaster Oven
- Any other electrical appliance used to cook foods
- × Lofts/Cinder blocks

- × Candles
- × Borders
- × Potpourri burner
- × Incense
- × Hanging Shelf Units
- × Curtains
- × Empty Alcohol Containers

For a complete list of things to leave at home go to:

http://www.strose.edu/campuslife/residence_life/ studentinformation/studentinformationlist/article1218

If students are found to have any of the above items in their room, the item will be confiscated and possible student conduct action may occur.

For a complete list and explanation of College policies, please refer to the College Policies and Procedures section of the Student Handbook at http://www.strose.edu/campuslife/student_life/student_handbook

Things to Bring

- Surge protector
- 3 prong adapter
- Standard twin size
 bedding
- Pillows
- Necessary medication
- Alarm clock

- Music
- Throw rug
- Lamp
- Light bulbs
- Flashlight/Batteries
- Hangers
- Desk supplies

- Towels
- Pictures/Posters
- Key chain
- Umbrella
- Address book
- Camera



http://www.strose.edu/campuslife/ residence_life/studentinformation/ studentinformationlist/article1217

The Buildings



Lima Hall- Freshman Residence

The Office of Residence Life oversees all aspects of oncampus living. Approximately 1400 students reside in more than 35 different residence halls. The residence halls are differentiated by type of living arrangement, class

standing and gender. The

following are brief descriptions of the halls:

<u>Brubacher Hall—</u>houses approximately 305 freshmen students and 11 upperclass RAs in mainly double rooms with common bath facilities on each floor and wing. This building also contains a 24-hour security desk, 2 laundry rooms, faculty offices, computer labs, a snack bar, gameroom and classrooms for the art department.

<u>Lima Hall</u>—houses approximately 182 freshman students and 5 upperclass RAs in double rooms with common bath facilities on each floor. This building also contains a 24-hour security desk, a laundry room and two 24-hour computer labs.

 $\underline{\textit{Golub Hall}-}$ houses approximately 19 freshmen students and 1 upperclass RA in a house setting of single and double rooms. There is also a kitchen, common room and washer and dryer.

<u>Alumni Hall</u>—houses approximately 86 upperclass students in a suite-style setting with 3 double rooms, a living room

and common bath facilities in each suite.

<u>Morris Hall</u>—houses approximately 42 upperclass students in mainly single and double rooms with common bath facilities on each floor.

<u>RCC</u>—houses approximately 60 transfer students in townhouse -style buildings consisting of double rooms with common bath facilities on each floor of each building.

<u>Quillinan Hall—</u>houses approximately 15 transfer students in a house setting of single and double rooms with common bath facilities in the building.

<u>Victorian Homes</u>—house anywhere from 10 to 42 upperclass residents. These buildings are all very unique and consist of mainly double and single rooms with common bath facilities.

<u>Centennial Hall-</u>houses approximately 224 upperclass students, in furnished two or four person apartments.

During the academic year (excluding break periods), each residence hall has at least one Resident Assistant that is part of the Residence Life staff. RAs are graduate and undergraduate students responsible for fostering an atmosphere of academic, social and personal growth. They provide opportunities

for educational programming and community building in addition to being a liaison for maintenance problems and/or requests.



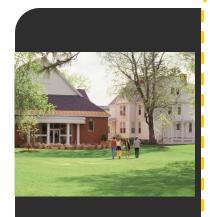
Brubacher Hall Freshman Residence

On Campus: A Living & Learning Experience

Once you join our residential community, you will attend a floor meeting led by your Resident Assistant. This will mark the beginning of what we hope will be a positive living-learning experience for you. Here, students will be introduced to their community members and to the philosophy of Residence Life. At this first floor meeting, students will be supplied proper check in/check out procedures, where to report a maintenance concern, College policies and other important information.

Floor meetings will continue throughout the year as a means by which RAs and residents can communicate back and forth and with each other. Other methods, such as postings on bulletin boards, emails, social media, and Axis TVs are also used.

The Student Handbook is available to view on-line at http://www.strose.edu/campuslife/student_life/student_handbook. It is an excellent tool, which contains valuable information beyond the policies and procedures which everyone expects. It is every student's responsibility to be familiar with the policies outlined in the handbook. The policies help define community expectations and norms so that students can live in a positive environment. Staff is available at any time to help interpret these policies but we do emphasize that students need to be aware of the College's policies.



"The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step".

Lao Tzu's

College is full of
possibilities, these
possibilities are
endless. Once you take
your first step onto
campus in the fall, you will
begin your college
journey!



Parking Permits

- Parking permits are required for students using any College parking lots.
- All non-freshmen may obtain a resident student parking permit.
- Parking permits are obtained for a fee from the Office of Security and Safety located at 340
 Western Avenue.
- Reminder...Freshman
 (1st year) resident students
 may not register for a parking permit or even have a

car on campus.

Obtaining parking fraudulently will subject the person to revocation of parking privileges, towing fines and other sanctions.

CDTA: The Capital District Transportation Authority provides buses throughout the Capital District. By showing their College ID card to the driver, a student can ride the 4,9,10,11,12 and 63 bus

line for free. For additional information go to: http://www.cdta.org/



The Residence Life Staff

The Residence Life Staff responds to the needs of the resident population. There is a combination of full-time professional, graduate assistant and part-time student staff. The full-time staff includes the Director, Assistant Director, 4 Area Coordinators and an Administrative Secretary. The part-time student staff includes more than 40 Resident Assistants (RA). There is also 1 Graduate Assistant who helps facilitate student conduct meetings.

The *Director* is responsible for supervising and coordinating all aspects of the residence hall systems to ensure an appropriate residential experience that is consistent with the *College* mission and goals and acts as a student conduct officer.

The *Assistant Director* serves as a liaison between Residence Life, Security, and Facilities, in addition to overseeing the room reservation process and all maintenance requests.

The *Administrative Secretary* is responsible for managing administrative aspects of the program such as purchasing, correspondence, and responding to questions by phone or in person, in addition to managing the overall daily operations of the office.

The *Area Coordinators* supervise student staff and are responsible for the overall management of the residence halls they are assigned to and act as student conduct officers as well as working full-time in the Residence Life Office.

The *Graduate Assistant* works closely with the Assistant Director and Administrative Secretary to manage the room change process.

The *Resident Assistants* are students who are chosen for their leadership and interpersonal skills. Living in the buildings with residents, RAs serve as resources providing residents with support on a variety of subjects ranging from personal and academic counseling to conflict mediation, program implementation, and policy enforcement. Residents' questions or concerns should be addressed initially to the RA.

The majority of both the full-time professional staff and part-time student staff reside on-campus in the residence halls. During the academic year, the RAs in each building share evening "duty" responsibilities along with the professional staff.

Things to Know

- → <u>Main Dining Room</u>—located upstairs in the Events and Athletics Center, students use their meals off of their board plan here.
- ⇒ <u>Camelot Room</u>—located in the Events and Athletics Center, a variety of snacks and full meal options can be purchased using cash or 'points' for your purchases.
- ⇒ Brubacher Café—located downstairs in Brubacher Hall, a variety of snacks can be purchased using cash or 'points' for your purchases.
- ⇒ Burger Studio & POD- located in Centennial Hall, featuring Gourmet Burgers & Grab-n-Go Items
- ⇒ Washers and dryers are located in each residence hall free of charge to students.

- ⇒ All rooms are cable ready and internet accessible. For questions visit its.strose.edu.
- Every motor vehicle parked in a campus owned lot must have a valid parking sticker issued by the Office of Security and Safety for a fee. Students may only park in student lots and a parking sticker does not guarantee a space. Only sophomores, juniors and seniors are allowed to have vehicles on campus.
- ⇒ There is an ATM located in the Events and Athletics Center and is owned by KeyBank. Other local banks within walking distance include:

Charter One Bank 489-8953 501 Western Avenue

Trustco Bank 489-4711 1084 Madison Avenue

- ⇒ Student Association and Student Events Board offices are both located in the Events and Athletics Center.
- ⇒ The Student Handbook is located on the internet at:
 http://www.strose.edu/campuslife/student_life/student_handbook
- ⇒ Lima and Brubacher residents: go directly to your building to get your key and move in.
- ⇒ All student mail should be addressed as follows:

Student Name
Box #
366 Western Avenue
Albany, NY 12203

Room and Board Costs

ROOM

The room fee for the 2014-2015 academic year is as follows for each semester:

Single—\$3,092. Double—\$2,900, Triple—\$2,825, Apartment—\$3,731, Centennial Hall 2-Person-\$4,509, Centennial Hall 4-Person-\$4,244.

BOARD

Every resident student is required to be on a meal plan. The College offers different meal plan options as described below:

<u>Platinum</u>-250 Meals, \$50 points, 5 guest passes <u>Silver</u>-150 Meals, \$200 points, 5 guest passes

<u>Gold</u>-200 Meals, \$175 points, 5 guest passes <u>Apartment Meal Plan-</u>60 Meals, \$800 points, O guest passes

The points on the above meal plans act as money and can be used at any food service operation on campus. You can add points to any of the above meal plans at any time in the semester through the Bursar's Office.

The following meal plan rates are for the 2013-2014 academic year and are per semester:

Platinum-\$2,927

Gold- \$2,866

Silver-\$2,744

Apartment Plan-\$1,500

Meal plan changes are accepted through the first Friday of each semester and need to be in written form including the student's name, student ID number, the current meal plan and the new meal plan. Please allow 48 hours from receipt for the change to take effect.

<u>Withdrawal from housing</u>— Students who withdraw from housing during the first week of the semester will be eligible for a 100% refund for room charges. During the second week of the semester, students will be eligible for a 50% refund and after the second week, no refund can be given for room charges.

Board charges are prorated accordingly.



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Community Behavior

The College of Saint Rose is an academic community which promotes both the rights and responsibilities of individuals within that community. The rights and responsibilities that govern the conduct of students, faculty, administration, staff and visitors on campus and College property can be found in the Student Handbook. All members of the campus community are responsible for knowing and following these policies. The College of Saint Rose Student Handbook can be located on line at: http://www.strose.edu/officesandresources/student_life/studenthandbook

In the spirit of fairness, the disciplinary process is intended to be as flexible as possible and is chiefly concerned with the best interest of both the student involved and the College community. The process was designed to be educational in nature and to guarantee a student's rights while assuring responsibilty for one's own actions. The College's student conduct system consists of the Student Conduct Coordinator and the Hearing Officers who also act as Appeal Officers.

Numbers to Know...



Main Number...(518) 454-5111