

Room Draw, Northfield Option and More!

If you read nothing else about choosing housing for next year, read this!!

The Residential Life staff hope this mailing will help you understand all the housing options for next year. Specific procedural information will be available for each option on the dates listed in the Housing Timeline included in this document. Visit our web site (go.carleton.edu/roomdraw) frequently to get up-to-date information. If you have questions, please contact the Office of Residential Life (Ext. 4072), Sevy G10, or e-mail ResLife@carleton.edu.

Off-Campus Study, Leaves of Absence and Proxies! If you will be on an off-campus program or taking a leave of absence during spring term 2012, you must designate a proxy to work through the housing process on your behalf and provide them with as much information as you can about what you want. In order to have a proxy select your housing, you must provide the name of that proxy to the Office of Residential Life before you leave campus. If no proxy is designated, Residential Life staff will select your housing after all other students are housed.

Lottery Numbers!?! Carleton's housing selection system is based upon a seniority system. Lottery numbers are used to determine the selection order within each class. For example, the student within the senior class who has number 20 will select their room after number 19 and before number 21. Each class has their own set of numbers and rising seniors will select a room before rising juniors and rising juniors before rising sophomores. Lottery numbers will be posted on January 25 online at [The Hub](#) to allow all students the opportunity to make decisions regarding their housing options based on their number.

Northfield Option is an alternative for those students who dream of neighborhoods, driveways, pets and dish washing. Students are responsible for finding their own apartments or houses after being granted Northfield Option. Approximately 100 seniors will be approved for Northfield Option. Seniors will use their lottery number to determine placement. Detailed application procedures will be sent to all seniors in late January. Additional information will be mailed to seniors and posted on the Housing website.

Shared Interest Living Communities are smaller living areas (generally sections of floors or off-campus houses) reserved for student groups formed around a common interest. Priority will be given to groups demonstrating the desire to truly utilize this option as a learning opportunity that will benefit not only the residents of the area but the campus community as a whole. Some examples of Shared Interest Living Communities are Farm House, Culinary House, and Science Fiction House. For a complete listing of the 2011-12 houses, please go to the Housing website. Applications will be available on February 6 in the Office of Residential Life. An informational session for new applicants is on Tuesday, February 7 and groups reapplying will be held on Thursday, February 9, to share information and answer questions about the application process.

Institutional and Language houses are permanent fixtures in the Carleton housing system. These houses have been designed to provide special residential settings for a variety of purposes. Each house functions within a set of guidelines established by the College and implemented by either a particular department or organization. These houses are seeking new residents for next year...so contact the person listed for more information and pay particular attention to the deadlines set for those applications. The houses designated as language and institutional are:

The Language House (Parish), Jewish Interest House (Page East), Freedom House (Williams), Women's Awareness House (Berg), Asia House (Hall), Q and A (Prentice), the Multicultural Center (Stimson) and La Casa del Sol (Hunt Cottage).

ROOM DRAW! The majority of students on campus will go through Room Draw in May. Using their lottery numbers, students line up and select their place of residence for the coming year. The 11-12 Room Draw Policy is posted on our web pages. In mid-April, the web page will be updated to reflect the 12-13 policy. **The main thing to remember is that Room Draw doesn't happen until May--Don't stress about it now!**

Quiet Areas are designed for those who seek a noise free environment. Residents of a quiet floor agree to provide (and receive) a quiet place to sleep or study at any time.

Substance free Areas are designated as a place free of alcohol, tobacco and any drugs. Residents agree not to use substances while on the floor or to cause a disruption on the floor because they used these substances elsewhere.

HOUSING TIMELINE

January 25

Lottery numbers posted

NORTHFIELD OPTION:

February 13

Northfield Option Draw, Olin 149 (Class of '13 only)

INSTITUTIONAL, LANGUAGE AND DACIE MOSES HOUSES:

Dacie Moses

Julia Uleberg-Swanson, Dacie Moses House

Language House

Language Department secretaries

Jewish Interest

Shosh Dworsky, Chaplain's Office

Freedom House

Isaiah Thomas, Office of Intercultural & International Life

La Casa del Sol

Isaiah Thomas, Office of Intercultural & International Life

Asia House

Isaiah Thomas, Office of Intercultural & International Life

Intercultural Center

Isaiah Thomas, Office of Intercultural & International Life

Q and A House

Alicia Morrell, Gender and Sexuality Ctr.

Women's Awareness

Alicia Morrell, Gender and Sexuality Ctr.

SHARED INTEREST COMMUNITIES:

February 6

Applications available in Residential Life

February 7

Informational Meeting for New Applicants

February 9

Informational Meeting for Re-applicants

March 29

Applications due at noon

ROOM DRAW!!!

mid-April

Room Draw procedure on web pages updated.

May 1 and 3

Information table in Sayles Hill.

April 29 & May 6

Housing Selection Committee at study breaks.

May 7

Room Draw — Seniors!

May 8

Room Draw— Juniors!

May 10

Room Draw— Sophomores

To give you an historical background, the Order of the Draw (a listing of the order in which rooms were drawn last year and previous years) is available on The Hub.

You may contact Residential Life (ResLife@carleton.edu or Ext. 4072) or any member of the Housing Selection Advisory Committee directly if you have questions. Student members are: James Dibb, Henry Gordon, Kyle Markwalter, Jacob McNaughton, Adan Nunez Frausto, Kayla Nygaard, Anne Claudia Schachter, Cameron Smith, Brady Still, Yuki Tominaga. Staff Member: Patrick Gordon, Burton/Davis/Sevy Hall Director

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