Carleton College, Office of Intercultural & International Life

Charter for Asia House

Mission of Asia House

Asia House provides support to Asian and Asian American students at Carleton College. In addition to providing support, the House will provide educational and social programs aimed towards the understanding of Asian and Asian American cultures and issues. All Carleton community members are invited to participate in Asia House programs.

Goals for Asia House

1. To provide a common space for regular discussion and support around issues specifically related to Asians and Asian Americans. Inclusive of students, faculty, staff and alumni.
2. To provide a shared living experience through which residents of the house learn from one another and build varying perspectives surrounding Asian/Asian American issues.
3. To provide educational opportunities and social programming addressing a variety of issues relating specifically to Asian/Asian American issues.
4. To support in a variety of ways, Carleton College’s efforts to recruit and retain Asian and Asian American students.

Selection Process

The Offices of Intercultural Life and Residential Life will work collectively on the selection process each academic year. Applicants will be expected to complete an application and interview with the selection committee. Selection of house residents for the upcoming year will be made on an individual basis, as opposed to group selection based on existing friendships.

Procedures for Removal

Any member of the house who is disruptive or fails to contribute to the community goals will be removed from Asia House. The following procedures will be used when conflict or disagreements arise:

1. All house members will attend a meeting for the purposes of reviewing expectations and resolving conflicts.
2. If conflicts or disruptive behavior continues, a mediation session with an Intercultural Life and/or Residential Life staff member will be required. Any house member under review may bring an advocate or supporter.
3. The Intercultural Life/Residential Life staff member will determine how to resolve the conflict, which may include removal of a house member.