Parish: the language house

The purpose of the Language House is to promote international languages and cultures on campus. It affords an opportunity to practice language skills and learn more about other cultures.

Every year students who study languages taught at Carleton can choose to live together in Parish and share their selected language on a daily basis with individuals of different abilities and backgrounds, including the international Language Associates who live in the house, coordinate activities and act as a resource for language and culture. Students experience culture by having meals together, viewing and discussing films, creating radio shows, dancing, chatting, doing homework together, etc.

In addition to providing house residents with a setting that encourages language acquisition and cultural understanding, the house offers an opportunity for all students on campus to participate in cultural activities and practice language skills.

Housing Arrangements

Parish consists of doubles, triples and quads. Normally, French speakers are housed together, Russian speakers together, and so on. There are four different approaches to rooming with someone in Parish. Priority for space in Parish will be given to these students, in this order:

1st priority: You can apply for a quad, triple or double with other students of the language you are studying.
2nd priority: You can apply for a quad, triple or double with students who have applied to Parish in another language.
3rd priority: You can apply without a designated roommate, in which case you can meet with the house advisor to discuss roommate selection.
4th priority: You can apply for a quad, triple or double with students who are not advanced students in any language, but those roommates should also be committed to participating in house activities and interested in international cultures.

Every effort will be made to honor the roommate requests of those who apply together. Room draw numbers may be a factor in assigning rooms.

TIMELINE:

1. Applications due: Friday, April 5, 2013 in LDC 230 or LDC 340.
2. Notification of Preliminary room assignments by April 12.
3. Sign-Off on Room Assignments Meeting: Tuesday, April 16 common time (Check your e-mail as information comes forward!)
4. Final list sent April 23 to Residential Life Office
5. NO ROOM CHANGES UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30.
Parish House Application

Deadline for application: 4:30 pm, April 5, 2013
To: Jean Sherwin, LDC 230, or Mary Tatge, LDC 340

This is an application to live within the Language House Program, not merely in a room in Parish House. Answer the following questions giving thoughtful consideration to your goals in choosing your residence.

NAME: ___________________________  E-mail: ________________  Room draw #________
Year at Carleton and major: ___________________________________________  Male □  Female □

Language of Interest:
□ Chinese  □ French  □ German  □ Japanese  □ Russian  □ Spanish  □ Other_____

1. Please explain your interest in living in Parish House.

2. Have you traveled and/or studied abroad? If so, please give details. (Country, did you speak the language, did you live with a family, etc.)

3. While living in the Language House there is an implied agreement to assist the Language Associate with activities several times throughout the term. Do you agree to do this? What skills, interests or ideas do you have that will help you contribute to extracurricular programming in the house (e.g., cooking, dance, crafts)?

4. Are you applying with someone else? Please list name(s) and be sure that they have also submitted an application. Would you accept to live in the house with a different or additional roommate? Are you willing to live in a triple? Quad? (NO singles available)

5. Do you have other roommate preferences or people you know you can’t live with?

6. Are you applying for other housing for 2013-2014? Are you applying to be an RA?

7. Do you have plans to be off-campus? (which term(s))