

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE SPECIALTY HOUSING

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Info Session

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Important Dates

- ▣ 2/20 – Register for the Housing Lottery
- ▣ 2/8, 10 & 15 – Housing Information Session
- ▣ 2/24 – Specialty Housing Application Due
- ▣ 3/1&2 – Specialty Housing Interview Days
- ▣ 3/14 – Specialty Housing Letters Mailed
- ▣ 4/9 – Specialty Housing Lotteries

What is specialty housing?

- ▣ An opportunity for students to live in a different style of housing OR within a traditional residence hall around a theme OR provide different types of programming to the college community.

Alternative Housing

- ▣ Quiet House
- ▣ Wellness Living
- ▣ Substance Free Lifestyle
- ▣ Language House
- ▣ Sustainable Living
- ▣ Gendered Housing
- ▣ Academic Year Round Housing

Quiet Housing

- ▣ Housed in Burdick House
- ▣ 1 Housefellow, 1 Floor Governor
- ▣ 24 Hour Quiet Sun-Thurs
- ▣ Non-quiet hours are established by community for weekends
- ▣ Quiet \neq Silent
- ▣ Must re-apply each year
- ▣ No interview component

Wellness Living

- ▣ Substance Free Lifestyle vs. Substance Free Living
- ▣ Blackstone Basement, 1st and 2nd Floors, Smith 4th Floor and Wright 3rd Floor (Living)
- ▣ Blackstone 3rd Floor (Lifestyle)
- ▣ Focus is on Wellness/Healthy Living
- ▣ Sub-Free is a component
- ▣ Must re-apply each year
- ▣ No interview component

Language Housing

- ▣ Housed in Knowlton House
- ▣ 1 Housefellow, 1 Floor Governor
- ▣ Focused on language
- ▣ Residents are required to do one program per semester around their chosen language
- ▣ Preference may be given to students taking CC language courses
- ▣ Must re-apply each year
- ▣ Interview component

Sustainable Living

- ▣ Housed in Earth House
- ▣ Committed to Earth friendly/sustainable living
- ▣ 7 singles with shared living room, kitchen, 2 full baths and 1 half bath
- ▣ Campus outreach is part of community growth
- ▣ Must re-apply each year
- ▣ Interview component

Gendered/Academic Year Round Housing

- ▣ Gendered Housing for males: JA basement and Branford 1st floor
- ▣ Gendered housing for females: KB 4th, Freeman 4th, Harkness 4th, Windham 4th (First Year students only), and Lambdin 4th Floors
- ▣ Academic Year Round Housing: Abbey House and River Ridge Apartments
- ▣ Must re-apply each year
 - No interview for gendered housing & Abbey House
 - Interview required for River Ridge Apartments

Independent Living

- ▣ Winchester Houses
- ▣ River Ridge Apartments
- ▣ Tentative Spaces:
 - 5 person house
 - 5 person apartment
 - 2 person apartments

Winchester Houses

- ▣ Four 4-person houses, One 6-person house
- ▣ Considered Quiet Housing
- ▣ Shared living room, kitchen, full bathroom (2 in 6 person) and laundry
- ▣ Parking is available in driveways and student designated lots
- ▣ Preference given to students who express living in Wellness environment
- ▣ Not year round housing
- ▣ Overseen by Village Housefellow and 1 ILC
- ▣ Must re-apply each year, interview component

River Ridge Apartments

- ❑ Eight 5-person apartments, Two 2-person apartments
- ❑ Considered Quiet Housing
- ❑ Shared living room, kitchen, full bathroom and laundry
- ❑ Overseen by Village Housefellow and 2 ILCs
- ❑ Must re-apply each year, interview component

Thematic Housing

- ▣ 360 Apartments
- ▣ Park Apartment
- ▣ Freeman Tower

Themes

- ▣ Must contribute to the growth of the campus community
- ▣ Past themes:
 - Revolution
 - Dance
 - Looking Back, Looking Forward
 - Sustainable Relationships with Food
 - Controversies in Science
 - Camels for Gordie

360 Apartments

- ▣ Three 3-person apartments and one 2-person apartment
- ▣ 1 Housefellow for Earth House and 360 Apt's
- ▣ Shared living room, kitchen and full bathroom
- ▣ Laundry is in the basement and shared with Earth House
- ▣ Not year round housing
- ▣ Must re-apply each year
- ▣ Interview component

Freeman Tower

- ▣ 4 person suite (2 double rooms)
- ▣ Shared living room and bathroom
- ▣ 1 Housefellow, 3 Floor Governors
- ▣ Can program in the Freeman common room
- ▣ Not year round housing
- ▣ Must re-apply each year
- ▣ Interview component

Park Apartment

- ▣ 5 person apartment (1 triple, 1 double)
- ▣ Shared living room, full kitchen, laundry and full bathroom
- ▣ 1 Housefellow, 2 Floor Governors
- ▣ Can program in apartment or Park common rooms
- ▣ Not year round housing
- ▣ Must re-apply each year
- ▣ Interview component

Process

- ▣ Register for Housing Lottery
- ▣ Fill out appropriate application (available online or in the REAL office)
- ▣ Return application and set up interview (if necessary) in REAL office
- ▣ Interview (if necessary)
- ▣ Receive email notification (only group leader for groups)
- ▣ Participate in Specialty Housing lottery

Applications

- ▣ 3 different applications
- ▣ If applying as a group, designate group leader-will be your contact with our office throughout the process
- ▣ ALL members of the group MUST be registered for the housing lottery
- ▣ You must fill out a different application if you are applying for different types of housing
 - Ex: Park Apt (Thematic) and River Ridge (Independent Living)
 - Do essay questions for each different housing you are applying for
 - Due February 24th

Interviews

- ▣ March 1st and 2nd all day
- ▣ Sign up for time slots after the 24th
- ▣ Groups must have as many members present as possible for interviews
- ▣ Abroad members will have the interview questions emailed to them, phone/Skype interviews are not possible
- ▣ Interviews are student run, so you will meet with members of REAL student staff, advisory committee and other volunteers

Decisions and Selection

- ❑ Decisions will be emailed to the group leader/ applicant on March 14th
- ❑ All approved applicants will be placed in their respective Specialty Housing lottery
- ❑ Will only be able to select housing the person/ group has been approved for
- ❑ Any group member may select housing for apartments

QUESTIONS?