

**Sophomore Scholars in Residence, Living Learning Community and Special Interest
Program Resident Assistant Applications
2010-2011**

We are pleased that you are interested in applying to serve as a resident assistant for one of our Sophomore Scholars in Residence (SSIR), Living Learning Community (LLC) or Special Interest (SI) programs. In order to be considered for this resident assistant position applicants must meet the minimum GPA requirement as set by the Richmond College and Westhampton College Dean's Office and be in good standing. These resident assistant positions are very unique and are ones that requires additional job responsibilities in addition to the standard resident assistant job description/contract.

Sophomore Scholars in Residence

The Sophomore Scholars-in-Residence program is a co-educational living and learning experience residing in either the Lakeview Residence Hall or Freeman Residence Hall that combines a traditional academic course with co-curricular learning activities. Restricted to members of the class of 2013, there are six courses offered in the 2010-2011 academic year. Each course consists of a one-unit class in the fall semester, a half-unit group project in the spring semester, and various out of class activities that enhance learning. All activities associated with the course, including group travel, will be at no expense to the participant.

<i>Freeman Hall</i> (RA will be employed by Westhampton College)	<i>Lakeview Hall</i> (RA will be employed by Richmond College)
Demanding Equality: Activism in the South Since Reconstruction	Argumentation and Debate
Global Health, Infectious Disease and Human Rights	Children and Mental Health
Salsa meets Jazz	Leadership and the Common Good

Living Learning Communities

The living learning community is a co-educational experience residing in Lakeview Hall that combines a traditional academic course with co-curricular learning activities. Open to all members of the rising sophomore, junior or senior classes, there are two courses offered in the 2010 – 2011 academic year. Each course consists of a one-unit class in the fall semester, and various out of class activities that enhance learning.

<i>Lakeview Hall</i> (RA will be employed by Richmond College)	
Earth Lodge	Spanish in the Community

Special Interest Communities

There are two special interest communities offered in the 2010 – 2011 academic year and offer programming centered around a theme or topic. The Global House is a co-educational community open to all members of the rising sophomore, junior or senior classes residing in Keller Hall. Women in Science₂ is a women's community open to all members of the sophomore, junior and senior classes residing in North Court (tentative and subject to change).

<i>Keller Hall</i> (RA will be employed by Westhampton College)	<i>North Court (tentative)</i> (RA will be employed by Westhampton College)
Global House	Women in Science ₂

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can I apply for more than one program?

A: Yes. You can apply for up to three programs. You will be required to have an interview with the faculty member of each program. You will want to be specific and address each program you are interested in, in the resident assistant application.

Q: How do I schedule my interviews with Richmond College, Westhampton College, and the faculty?

A: You will receive an email on November 24 informing you which Dean's Office to schedule your interview with, the faculty member(s) you will interview with and their contact information. The interview timeframe is only one week, so being prompt and professional in contacting the Dean's Office and faculty is expected.

Q: What can I expect from the interviews with faculty?

A: You can expect that the faculty will ask you questions about your interest in the program, what you can add to the community, what ideas you have for co-curricular programs to offer to the participants, and your ideas about leading the community.

Q: Do I have to enroll in the course if it is a LLC or SSIR program?

A: No. It is not a requirement, but many faculty prefer that the RA enrolls in the course or have previously taken the course.

Q: Do I have to be a rising sophomore to be the RA for an SSIR program?

A: No. The RA to the SSIR programs can be a rising sophomore, junior or senior.

Q: I'm not sure what some of the programs are. How can I get more information about each program?

A: You can contact Andy Gurka, Director of Living Learning & Roadmap Programs, for more information. You can also visit the following website: <http://www.richmond.edu/living-learning>

SSIR, LLC and SI Programs RA Selection Timeline	
November 20, 5:00 p.m.	Deadline for Applications Submit completed applications to The Office of Living Learning & Roadmap Programs, Richmond Hall, Room 113
No later than November 23	Email to applicants with interview details and contact information for faculty and Dean's Office interviews
November 30 – December 4	Interviews with Faculty and Deans' Offices
December 8	Job Offers Extended

Questions? Contact:

Andy Gurka, Director of Living Learning & Roadmap Programs
(804) 287-1238 or agurka@richmond.edu,

Patrick Benner, Associate Dean, Richmond College
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Charm Bullard, Associate Dean, Westhampton College
(804) 287-6076 or cbullard@richmond.edu



**APPLICATION FOR THE SOPHOMORE SCHOLARS-IN-RESIDENCE /
LIVING & LEARNING COMMUNITY / SPECIAL-INTEREST PROGRAM
RESIDENT ASSISTANT POSITION**

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Date of Birth: _____ Student I.D. #: _____

Contact Information:

Hall/Room _____

Box # _____ Campus Ext. # _____

Email Address _____@richmond.edu

Cell Phone # _____

Permanent/Home Address: _____
(Street or P.O. Box)

(City) (State/Country) (Zip/Country Code)

EDUCATIONAL DATA

Cumulative GPA: _____

Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

Present Classification () Grad () Sr. () Jr. () Soph. () First-Year

How many units are you planning to be enrolled in during for the 2010 fall semester? _____

Are you planning on studying abroad during the 2010-2011 academic year? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, what semester: _____ Fall _____ Spring

RESIDENCE WHILE IN COLLEGE

Which residence halls have you lived in during your college career (Please indicate any residential special-interest or living/learning programs in which you participated.)

First Year _____ Second Year _____ Third Year _____ Fourth Year _____

WORK EXPERIENCE

Please attach your resume to this application. List any experiences you have had (i.e. summer jobs, etc.) that relate to the SSIR/LLC/SI Resident Assistant position. Please list organizations you have been involved with as a student, any office held, and briefly list responsibilities or how such involvement strengthens your candidacy, as applicable.

If awarded the SSIR/LLC/SI RA position do you plan to hold another job? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please list the following:

Location: _____ Hours: _____

Job Title: _____

Does this work opportunity fall into either work study or an internship? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please explain. _____

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

Please list any extracurricular activities (excluding the SSIR/LLC/SI RA position) in which you anticipate being involved in the coming academic year. Please enumerate all activities including internships, honors projects, athletic teams and Greek organizations. Include any offices you anticipate holding in any of these activities.

Discuss how these involvements may/will affect your performance as a SSIR/LLC/SI Resident Assistant.

REFERENCES

Please list the names of the three persons who would serve as a reference for you. Please use at least one UR faculty/staff/administrator as a source for a reference. **One of your references MUST be from a Head Resident or Resident Assistant (preferably your own).**

1. Name _____ Position _____
E-Mail Address _____ Phone _____

2. Name _____ Position _____
E-Mail Address _____ Phone _____

3. Name _____ Position _____
E-Mail Address _____ Phone _____

COMMUNITY PREFERNCES

Please mark the following list, ranking your top three choices only (1 being most desired), where you would like to be placed if selected as a Resident Assistant. Understand that while we prefer to place Resident Assistants where they would like to be, the needs of the staff as a whole supersede personal preference. **The selections below are preferences only.**

Please mark the following list, by level of interest (1 being the most), of the SSIR/LLC/SI program(s) to which you would like to be considered:

- _____ Argumentation and Debate
- _____ Children and Mental Health
- _____ Demanding Equality: Activism in the American South since Reconstruction
- _____ Earth Lodge
- _____ Global Health, Infectious Disease and Human Rights
- _____ Global House
- _____ Leadership and the Common Ground
- _____ Salsa Meets Jazz
- _____ Spanish in the Community
- _____ Women in Science

Please use this space to provide support for your top choice preference: (if applicable)

The information on this application is accurate, to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this document and supporting materials are part of an application for employment, separate and apart from my permanent educational record and not subject to personal inspection.

Signature

Date

Return completed application to: Andy Gurka
Director, Living Learning and Roadmap Programs
Richmond Hall 113

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20th AT 5:00 P.M.