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- Co-curricular, Co-educational



Language House Snapshot: Chinese House

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 Chinese majority, minority, inter-racial students, and Island students, 100-150

What is the academic value of a language house?
 "It is of great value and importance. The house is the practical. Students like the language class are readily available, but it's what you do with it."



What are Special Interest Houses?

Special Interest Houses are a unique part of the college experience. They provide a supportive and inclusive environment for students with shared interests, backgrounds, or identities. These houses foster a sense of community and belonging, while also promoting academic excellence and personal growth.

Sharpe Scholars Community Housing Snapshot

Sharpe Scholars Community Housing is a unique living arrangement for students who are members of the Sharpe Scholars Program. It provides a supportive and inclusive environment for students with shared interests, backgrounds, or identities. These houses foster a sense of community and belonging, while also promoting academic excellence and personal growth.



William Randolph Leadership

• The C. Nicholas' Street

• Promoting Leadership: Student Members of the College

• Member of the College

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Sharpe Scholars Community Housing Snapshot

Sharpe Scholars Community Housing is a unique housing option for students who are interested in community service and social justice. The house provides a supportive environment for students who are committed to making a positive impact on the world.



William Randolph Leadership

• The C. Nicholas' House

• Promoting Leadership, Global Membership in the College

• Member of the College Chapter of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society



Today's Agenda

- What are Special Interest Houses?
- Africana House
- Language House Snapshot
- Sharpe Scholars Community House
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- Substance-free Housing
- Mosaic House
- Colonial Williamsburg House

What are Special Interest Houses?

- Support of an academic department, program, or faculty member
- 2-year financial support commitment
- In-house tutor, if appropriate
- Proposal that includes a mission statement, goals, and implementation methods of the Living Learning Community

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Living Learning Community

- Explore the history, cultural traditions and economic circumstances of those with African descent
- Lifelong friendships and organic cultural experiences

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Language House continued

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Sharpe Scholars Community Housing: Spotswood

- Residential initiative for freshmen dedicated to public and community service
- Have to enroll in program-sponsored seminars, partake in public forums & community projects
- Work closely with faculty advisors
- Able to apply for \$3000 in summer research funds



Spotswood Snapshot

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Substance-Free Housing

- Residents and guests are committed to refrain from smoking, using tobacco products, possessing/ consuming alcoholic beverages
- Commitments are enforced by the Area Director and reassignments are implemented where necessary

100%
Substance
FREE

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- Any discipline
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William Randolph Lodging

- 406 E. Nicholson Street
- Partnership between Colonial Williamsburg and the College
- Named one of the Coolest College Dorms in the U.S.

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- Demonstrate ability to serve as representative of William and Mary

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 "It is an important academic and cultural resource for the university. It can provide a place for students to learn the language and culture in a more immersive way."



What are Special Interest Houses?

Special Interest Houses are a type of student organization that provides a community for students with shared interests or backgrounds. They often offer support, resources, and networking opportunities for their members.

Sharpe Scholars Community Housing Snapshot

Sharpe Scholars Community Housing is a program that provides a safe and supportive living environment for students who are members of the Sharpe Scholars Community. The program offers a variety of services and resources to help students succeed academically and personally.



William Randolph Leadership

Phi Chi Chapter's Story

Phi Chi Chapter is a leadership organization that focuses on developing the leadership skills of its members. The organization offers a variety of programs and activities to help students grow as leaders and professionals.

