

# Special Interest Living Communities: Fall 2014—Spring 2015

Welcome to Residential Life at the University of Bridgeport!

Students living on campus are welcomed into a vibrant living environment filled with opportunities for social growth and experiences to compliment their educational pursuits.

Each of the residence halls are traditional style construction with community bathrooms on every floor, community lounge spaces with HD flatscreen TVs, recreational opportunities including pool and ping pong and community laundry facilities which students can access free-of-charge.

In their room, each student receives closet/dresser

space, a bed, desk and chair and each room includes connections for cable and high-speed internet (students must bring their own cable cord and Ethernet cord).

Additionally, each room is equipped with a micro-fridge unit combination of a fridge/freezer/microwave for use by the students in the room.

The residence hall staff, comprised of Resident Assistants—specially trained student staff—provide peer-to-peer support, educational and social programs with-

in the residence halls and serve as the first point of contact for students in the halls. Each residence hall is managed by a full-time live-in professional staff member which provides 24/7 coverage of the residence halls,

training and supervision of the student staff and coordinates the daily operations of the residence hall.

Each residence hall has its own unique personality and offers a different special interest living community for students to enjoy.

**We know each one of our residence hall students is unique—so we provide a variety of special interest living communities to meet their personal interests**

## First Year Achievement Program (FYA)— YOUR success is our bottom-line

We know that, for many, the first year at the university is a dynamic one filled with new experiences, new friends and new challenges—so we've

designed a program to help first year students successfully transition into the university, life in the residence halls and the UB campus!



Designed to provide First Year students with a comprehensive support system for academic success, the FYA program offers academically focused programming, personal academic support resources from our First Year Mentors, referrals for studying/

student support services and much more.

It is **HIGHLY** recommended that First Year students enroll in the First Year Achievement Program and gain a strong start to their academic pursuits at the University of Bridgeport by **ACTIVELY** taking part in the program.

For more information on the First Year Achievement Program—and how it can benefit you—contact us today at [reslife@bridgeport.edu](mailto:reslife@bridgeport.edu)

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### Living Community Quick Look

Special Interest Living Community	Location
Compass Residential Living Community	Barnum Hall 2nd Floor
First Year Achievement Living Community	Bodine Hall 2nd/3rd Floors
Upperclassman Living Community—60 credits/ Graduate Students	Chaffee Hall
Academic Excellence—24 Hour Quiet Hour Living Community	Cooper Hall
UB the Change: Community Service Living Community	Seeley Hall 3rd floor

**Special Interest Living Communities are a way for students to make great connections with their peers and become active members in their residence hall community!**

## Special Interest Living Communities:

### UB the Change: Community Service Living Community



Located in Seeley Hall, the UB the Change: Community Service Living Community is designed for students with an interest in Community Service, Civic Engagement and Social Justice, the “UB the Change” floor provides students with a variety of options to support the UB and local community. Students agree to participate in 4 hours of community service activities per week throughout the semester, as well as, a larger community service activity supporting the UB and local community on a monthly basis. Students on work-study may apply their community service time towards their work-study credit.

### Compass Residential Living Community

Located in Barnum Hall, the Compass Residential Living Community is designed for students with an active interest in business and career development. Preference is given to those who are majoring in the School of Business and students must participate in programs/activities provided which promote their development as active learners.

### Upperclassman Living Community

Located in Chaffee Hall, the Upperclassman Living Community offers traditional style housing including community bathrooms and kitchenettes on each floor with a laundry room on the 1st floor. Newly renovated and including air conditioning, the Upperclassman Living Community provides graduate students year-round housing in a comfortable and education focused living environment. Students living in Chaffee Hall must have a minimum of 60 credits or be a Graduate Student.

### Academic Excellence—24hr. Quiet Hours Living Community

Located in Cooper Hall, the Academic Excellence—24 Hour Quiet Hours Living Community is designed for students wishing to focus significantly on their academic pursuits, As the smallest residence hall, Cooper Hall provides a quiet setting as students living in Cooper Hall agree to 24 hour Quiet Hours throughout the length of the semester.

#### Requesting to Live in a Special Interest Living Community

Once you’ve found one of the Special Interest Living Communities you’d like to request to live in for the upcoming year it’s easy to register.

**STEP I:** Pay the \$200 tuition deposit

**STEP II:** Pay the \$200 housing deposit

**STEP III:** Submit a completed Housing and Meal License and indicate which residence hall(s) you would like to live in for the semester.

**STEP IV:** Submit a Special Interest Living Community Request Form



## General Residence Hall Information

- ☑ All residence halls are equipped with smoke detectors with voice evacuation systems.
- ☑ The front desk of each hall is managed 24 /7 by Residence Hall Monitors and Campus Security who coordinate the guest visitation process and serve as a resource for students.
- ☑ Smoking is not allowed in any of the residence halls.
- ☑ Alcohol is prohibited for any person under the age of 21.
- ☑ All doors to the residence halls are locked 24/7. Students must use their UB ID card to access their hall at all times. All guests must be signed in and out of the residence hall with a valid ID.
- ☑ **We encourage all students to obtain personal property insurance prior to coming to campus. The University of Bridgeport assumes no responsibility for any items lost, stolen or damaged—for any reason—within the residence halls.**
- ☑ The university reserves the right to require students, assigned to double rooms but with no roommate present, to relocate within the residence hall in order to best utilize all available space within the rooms.
- ☑ Efforts are made to match new roommates by preferences stated in their housing contract. Since the university celebrates diversity the Office of Residential Life and Student Conduct does not make any room assignment based on race, creed, religion, national origin, language or any other difference.