

Marshall's Residential Curriculum

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The Residential Curriculum helps us understand the needs students have and how we can help them to meet those needs. Here are the things we want students to learn as a result of living on campus:

First Year Learning Objectives

Personal Development

- Identify and utilize wellness resources on and off campus
- Develop ethical decision-making skills in their day-to-day living
- Seek opportunities for spiritual and/or religious wellness
- Select a nutrition and fitness plan that works for the student
- Know and understand substance responsibility
- Explore new interests in and out of class
- Identify strengths and areas of growth

Academic and Professional Success

- Identify campus resources and use them
- Prepare for and use academic advising
- Develop study skills
- Build relationships with faculty
- Identify your learning styles
- Explore majors, minors, and other academic opportunities on campus
- Gain a better understanding of major(s)

Building Relationships

- Develop positive friendships within the MU community
- Building rapport with your roommate
- Understand how your actions impact the experiences of other residents
- Learn and get involved in the traditions of Marshall University
- Begin to create a network of supportive MU peers, faculty, and staff
- Develop relationships with a faculty member on campus

Intercultural Understanding

- Learn more about your own culture
- Gain an appreciation and understanding of current events
- Develop an appreciation for art, music, and theater
- Explore at least one culture different from your own
- Learn and use appropriate words related to diversity
- Understand the importance of international relations

Leadership

- Participate in floor and hall programming

- Identify opportunities for involvement
- Explore opportunities for community service/volunteerism
- Learn about and get involved in areas of need in Huntington

Upperclassmen Learning Objectives

Personal Development

- Identify the ways your values have changed or grown at Marshall
- Develop a personal plan for self-improvement
- Develop and utilize effective stress management and coping skills
- Articulate your personal life goals for post-graduation
- Learn how to budget your money
- Learn how to do regular home/car maintenance

Academic and Professional Success

- Continue to work on selecting a major and/or academic goals
- Explore internships and other work experiences to build your resume
- Find a professional mentor
- Understand the graduate/professional school preparation you need
- Identify career objectives
- Learn the graduate/professional school application process
- Create a resume and/or CV
- Identify co-op and internship opportunities

Building Relationships

- Learn about being an adult member of a family (e.g. parent, partner, caregiver, etc.)
- Develop healthy relationships with peers and significant others

Intercultural Understanding

- Understand social justice issues
- Recognize cultural issues at the local and global level
- Interact with others from diverse backgrounds
- Understand the privilege and oppression experienced by people of different identities
- Serve as an ally for an underrepresented group

Leadership

- Actively participate in campus opportunities
- Develop and improve leadership skills
- Understand your impact on the Huntington community
- Identify opportunities for student leadership
- Create positive changes in your local and global community