Living-Learning Communities create a residence hall experience that emphasizes and supports students’ learning. These programs allow students to have access to educational programs and extracurricular activities exclusive to each Living-Learning Community. Each community is unique, with specific requirements and living arrangements. You may select certain communities during online room selection; others require a separate application and acceptance into that program before assignment.

The Arts on Campus Living-Learning Community
This program is for students who are interested in the arts, regardless of their intended major. The program involves courses in which students reflect and write about the arts and have hands-on experiences with the arts. Out-of-class experiences focus on creating a vital presence for the arts within the residence hall. Local off-campus experiences may include group visits to the Bama Theater downtown, local art galleries in Tuscaloosa and Northport and the Kentuck Festival of the Arts in Northport every October.

Parker-Adams Freshman Living-Learning Community
The Parker-Adams Freshman Living-Learning Community serves incoming freshmen in the College of Arts and Sciences. Participants take some of their classes with students with whom they live, and students get to know faculty through a mentorship program. Academic advising is available in the residence hall and help is available for students who need assistance in defining their interests.

Students study and live in an environment that focuses primarily on academic achievement but also encourages leadership, service learning and engagement in both the University and Tuscaloosa communities. This program has designated academic courses, a required study hall and many cultural events throughout the academic year.

Faculty-in-Residence: Dr. Larry Bowen, Math professor and Associate Director for the Center for Academic Success

Blount Undergraduate Initiative
The Blount Undergraduate Initiative is a specialized living-learning environment for Arts and Sciences majors. Scholars reside within a building containing most of their classes, kitchen areas, computer facilities and faculty mentors.

Students in the Initiative major in the same subject areas as all University students. However, they have a special curriculum that includes seminars, discussion groups, special presentations and activities that will engage them in an integrated approach to learning.

Faculty-in-Residence: Cornelius Carter, Dance and Theater Department

For more information, visit www.as.ua.edu/blount/

The French House
This program is for any UA student who is interested in French language and culture. This Living-Learning Community provides students various opportunities for language study and out-of-class experiences that bring some of the feel of the French-speaking world to Tuscaloosa. The French House is open to any American or international student interested in French language and culture. A placement test showing language proficiency is required. This program has designated academic courses, journal writing and French conversation requirements.

German House
If you wish to enhance your German skills in a fun and relaxed environment, the German House is the place for you. Students who live in the Hans und Sophie Scholl Haus agree to speak German as much as possible, and also have the option of enrolling in a conversation course exclusive to German House residents. The program is supervised by a student director, who is a native speaker and lives in the house with the residents. Typically, about half of the residents are students from Germany or Austria and half are U.S. students.

The Spanish House
The Spanish House is a Living-Learning Community where students gain language proficiency and are guided by a live-in native (or near-native) speaker. The students agree to speak Spanish as much and as often as possible, and to dedicate two hours each week to full immersion in a group context. Weekly activities in the hall and on campus allow students to develop their Spanish language skills. This program has designated academic courses, journal writing and Spanish conversation requirements.

Honors College
The Honors College Community is available to members of the University Honors Program, International Honors Program, University Fellows and/or Computer-Based Honors Program. These coed living-learning facilities form the center of the University’s tightly knit honors community and include multiple Faculty-in-Residence across campus.

The Mallet Assembly
The Mallet Assembly is home to more than 70 students who represent a wide variety of academic disciplines. Mallet emphasizes personal growth through student leadership, expansion of intellectual boundaries and encouraging community involvement. Mallet is recommended to all academically inclined, independent and open-minded students.
At The University of Alabama, we encourage our students to build a network that supports their goals and academic careers. Our Shared Interest Communities allow students to live in a community with students from their specific colleges or with students who share common interests.

These communities are a great way for students to build a network of potential classmates and study groups. Shared Interest Communities do not require additional coursework, but have programming and other community-building resources. College-specific communities require admission to the appropriate college, and the community will automatically appear as an option during online room selection.

Capstone Communication & Information Sciences Community
The Capstone C&IS Community brings together students from this field of study to live in Harris Hall and share academic, social, and out-of-class growth experiences. Participants in this living option take a compass course, which serves as a useful introduction to the University.

Capstone Human and Environmental Sciences Community
The Capstone HES Community brings together students from this field of study to live in Harris Hall and share academic, social, and out-of-class growth experiences. Participants in this living option take a compass course, which serves as a useful introduction to the University.

Capstone Nursing Community
The Capstone Nursing Community brings together students from this field of study to live in Harris Hall and share academic, social, and out-of-class growth experiences. Participants in this living option take a compass course, which serves as a useful introduction to the University.

For more information on Shared Interest Communities and Living-Learning Communities, please contact us:

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The C&BA Living Community for men and women, located in Friedman Hall, will provide a personal, caring and supportive environment through increased student/faculty interaction. A C&BA faculty member lives in Friedman, and a Master in Business Administration (MBA) student serves as a Hall Director overseeing the operation of the building. This option will expose residents to a variety of perspectives, knowledge and information by involving C&BA faculty and staff, and business leaders in programs presented in the residence hall.

Residents will benefit from the mentoring, advising and peer counseling that takes place in the building. Group study areas will provide excellent opportunities for collaboration on papers, projects and business team requirements. You must be a C&BA major to live in this option.

Faculty-in-Residence: Craig Armstrong, Assistant Professor of Management

Engineering
Engineering living options are available for both men and women. These options provide an environment where students can exchange ideas, experiences, skills, and even class notes. The interaction between students with similar interests, and sometimes the same classes, is one of the main advantages of this community.

The International Living-Learning Community
The International Living-Learning Community in Burke Hall provides opportunities for international students and American students to live together and share meaningful interactions. Programming throughout the year includes food experiences, movie nights, and more, plus numerous opportunities for informal interactions. Primarily designed for upperclassmen, the International Community is an outstanding opportunity for students studying international business, foreign languages, history, anthropology, or those planning to, or returning from, study abroad.

The Rotary House
Rotary House offers a small, coed atmosphere for international students and other UA students who are interested in interacting with students from other nations. Students are selected for participation based on their interest and ability to be contributing community members.