UNDERGRADUATE RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

Residential Academic Programs (RAPs)

A number of the residence halls are home to residential academic programs (RAPs), whereby students live in and take special classes in their hall that meet core curriculum and/or other course requirements. All of these programs charge additional $425 fees per academic year. For detailed information about each RAP, see the Residential Academic Programs (https://catalog.colorado.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/academic-enrichment-programs/undergraduate-residential-programs/) website.

- CMCI/Communication RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/cmci-communication-and/) offers 200 first- and second-year students a program to explore many different areas of communication, ranging from processes of face-to-face interaction to the impact of media and technology on daily life.
- Creative Minds RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/creative-minds-rap/) (CMRAP) is a living and learning community that unites several arts disciplines and core requirement options in one program. Our mission is to foster the skills students need to develop into creative leaders of tomorrow. Our guiding principles are creativity, curriculum and community.
- Engineering Honors RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/ honors-engineering-rap/) provides educational experiences that match the abilities and ambitions of some the very best students at CU.
- Environment and Natural Science RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/bakerrap/) is designed for freshmen and sophomores in the College of Arts and Sciences or Program in Exploratory Studies interested in the natural sciences and environmental studies.
- Global Engineering RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/ global-engineering-rap/) prepares engineering students for the new global conditions of the engineering professions through experiencing international culture, mastering a second language and gaining confidence with IT-driven international communication and collaboration.
- Global Studies RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/globalstudiesrap/) promotes the recognition of global interdependence, encourages the study of foreign languages and international affairs and emphasizes the value of international education. This year-long program connects participants with a peer group of students who have similar interests and goals. The staff is knowledgeable about CU Boulder’s many international resources, and the faculty incorporate international work into their teaching and research.
- Health Professions RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/hprap/) accommodates approximately 270 first and second-year students. This community is ideal for students interested in exploring coursework and career options in the health professions such as clinical practitioners, researchers or policymakers. Courses offered include a rich mix of science courses well suited for IPHY, MCDB and NRSC majors, and other interested in the life sciences, supplemented by select general education courses.
- Honors RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/hrap/) is the residential component of the Honors Program of the College of Arts and Sciences. It promotes and sustains academic excellence within a lively community setting. First-year students take one, onsite, seminar-style three-credit-hour course each semester. Beyond the classroom, Honors RAP offers a variety of co-curricular and student-led activities that enhance the learning experience. It is open to approximately 335 first-year and continuing honors-qualified students in the College of Arts and Sciences.
- Leeds Business RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/business/leeds-first-year-experience/leeds-residential-academic-program/) (Leeds RAP) is a targeted community that is comprised exclusively of students who are business majors. Leeds RAP seeks to build individuals who are well-rounded, prepared, engaged and equipped to succeed in 21st century workplaces and take roles as global leaders. Students in the program develop supportive relationships with faculty and staff, including an in-house academic advisor, as well as with peer mentors.
- Pre-Business RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/pre-business-rap/) is a community of first-year students pursuing a business degree, but have not yet been directly admitted into the Leeds School of Business. The program provides a supportive and preparatory path for students to transfer into Leeds their sophomore year.
- Stories and Societies RAP (https://www.colorado.edu/srap/) is a program for first- and second-year students enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences or Program in Exploratory Studies who have an interest in the study of history, education, and society, or are considering a career in the teaching professions. The program offers small classes taught in Sewall Hall, co-curricular activities that support the RAP’s theme and help build community, and personalized attention from faculty and staff dedicated to student success.

Living and Learning Communities

Living and Learning Communities (LLCs) (https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/#anchor2) enhance the learning environment by building communities of students connected by their passions for specific topics or themes. Some LLCs offer academic classes, while others build co-curricular activities into the residential experience.

- Active Living LLC (https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/active-darley-community/) offers students in Darley North a living community in which all participants strive to lead an intentionally active lifestyle. Events in the program inspire the holistic development of mind, body and spirit. Ultimately, Active Living participants aim to achieve academic success and fulfillment of their personal needs and goals.
- Colorado Stories LLC (https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/colorado-stories-llc/) takes students living in Darley Hall on a journey through deep time, telling the geologic story of how Colorado’s spectacular landscape came to be. This program incorporates classroom study and fun trips to iconic Colorado places and some of its hidden gems. Its aims to deepen your satisfaction and sense of place at CU by exploring how Earth processes have influenced the state's human
history and how they continue to shape our collective present and future.

- **Design Your Path LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/exploratorystudies/design-your-path-llc/](https://www.colorado.edu/exploratorystudies/design-your-path-llc/)) provides opportunities for students within the program in exploratory studies to explore personal, academic and career interests while building community in Farrand Hall. This program strives to empower students to take pride in designing the best path for themselves through a life design model with support from campus offices and academic staff.

- **Engineering Connections** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/engineering-connections/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/engineering-connections/)) is a vibrant, supportive community for first-year students accepted into the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences. It provides enhanced academic, co-curricular, social and wellness opportunities to students living in Williams Village North, Williams Village East and Stearns East.

- The **Environmental Design (ENVD)** LLC ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/environmental-design-llc/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/environmental-design-llc/)) is a unique community where students accepted into the Environmental Design program live together in Willard Hall and participate in First-Year Experience (FYE) programming. Students create meaningful connections with their cohort, engage in social and academic events and gain the tools to continue their design education in confidence beyond the first year.

- **Healthy Buffs LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/healthy-buffs-llc/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/healthy-buffs-llc/)) is a connected and caring community that embraces a culture of wellness. This program is designed to connect you with other students living in Stearns West who share a passion for health and wellbeing, provide you with individualized health and wellness services, and help you develop strategies to support you throughout your journey at CU and beyond. Students have access to free yoga and fitness classes, wellness workshops, weekly mindfulness sessions, acupuncture, nutrition counseling and much more.

- **Leeds Scholars & Honors LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/leeds-scholars-honors-llc/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/leeds-scholars-honors-llc/)) is an opportunity for high-achieving first-year students at Leeds to build connections with peers, faculty and staff through in-house business courses, workshops and events, deep-dive discussions and informal social gatherings. This community is composed of students in the Leeds Honors and/or Scholars programs who live in Kittredge Central.

- **Lucile Berkeley Buchanan LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/lucile-b-buchanan-llc/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/lucile-b-buchanan-llc/)) provides a supportive, social and communal space for black-identified students and their community allies. Students gain access to artifacts, critical conversation and educational programming that create an inclusive and productive atmosphere within the residence hall.

- **Multicultural Perspective LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/multicultural/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/multicultural/)) is a community that provides a safe space for students to talk and learn more about social justice issues through conferences, events and dialogue. This program partners with the Spectrum Living & Learning Community.

- **Music Buffs LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/music-buffs-llc/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/music-buffs-llc/)) in Willard Hall is a community that brings together students who are passionate about the art of music and music-making. This community of aspiring music performers, teachers, creators and scholars consists of music majors from all undergraduate degree programs in the CU College of Music, those in the music minor program at CU and those with an interest in musical collaboration and creativity. Students living within our community can express and explore their creative interests and artistic skills while learning and discovering the power of music.

- **Service and Social Action LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/service-and-social-action-llc/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/service-and-social-action-llc/)) welcomes first-year students from all colleges and majors. This program seeks to develop leaders and propel them into a life dedicated to equity-based social action through purpose-driven service, education and reflection.

- **Spectrum LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/spectrum-llc-lgbtqia/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/explore-apartment-style-and-residence-hall-living/living-experiences/spectrum-llc-lgbtqia/)), part of the Multicultural Perspective LLC, offers a variety of social and educational activities including leadership opportunities. Spectrum is designed to provide a supportive place for individuals of all sexual identities including gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer people and their allies. The Spectrum living area has gender-neutral bathrooms.

- **Transfer Buffs LLC** ([https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/transfer-buffs-llc/](https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing/undergraduate-housing/living-experiences/transfer-buffs-llc/)) offers incoming transfer students the unique opportunity to live on campus and connect with students who have similar experiences. Students living in Weber Hall participate in programming to help them maximize their academic and co-curricular experience at CU Boulder and integrate into the Transfer Buffs and CU Boulder communities. Transfer Peer Mentors provide incoming students with valuable resources and will facilitate community-building opportunities and events.

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