

Rules. Consider each of the following principles as it applies to living in close proximity with others:

## BE SAFE

Never create or ignore a threat to any person's safety.

Residents act in a way that takes into consideration the physical safety of themselves, others, and the community. Any act that creates an immediate danger to oneself or others is the strongest possible threat to the community and the most serious violation one can commit. Violations of rules that create immediate danger are those for which the most serious outcomes are applied. Any student who commits such violations can expect to be removed from the community.

## BE CIVIL

Behave toward others with the respect that maintains relationships and honors their dignity and rightful place at Maryland.

The University is committed to creating and maintaining an educational living and learning environment that respects the right of all individuals to participate fully in the community. Residents act in a way that promotes each person's sense of their rightful place in the community. Conduct that threatens others' sense of their rightful place in their homes on campus is damaging to the campus community. Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, assault, and verbal or written threats will be addressed immediately, and dealt with seriously, including possible removal from the community.

## BE COOPERATIVE

Find the win/win with your neighbors and consider the balance between your rights and responsibilities.

Residents take on a shared responsibility for their community and engage efforts to compromise. They understand the mutual obligations that all residents and community members have to one another in order to live, rest, and study successfully in close quarters. Uncooperative behavior interferes with the sense of shared responsibility, the efforts to compromise, and the mutual obligations that members of the community have to one another in order to live, rest, and study in a shared community. Violations of rules that bring about disorder and disruption, or misuse or damage common facilities and resources will be addressed. Any student who engages in such behaviors can expect that staff will make an effort to assist the student in revising behavior, and if possible, to repair or make up for what has been done, but will also formally be held accountable through the conduct process with the Office of Rights and Responsibilities. Multiple or aggravated instances of uncooperative behavior may result in removal from the community.

## BE INVOLVED

Get involved in your community. It will enhance your total educational experience.

Residents become involved in their community, which has been shown to enhance any students' total educational experience. Involvement in the community is not only beneficial to oneself, but can benefit the entire community. When a resident's lack of engagement is a contributing factor of a Residence Hall Rule violation, residents can expect the educational outcome of their conduct process to include activities that address being involved in the community.

1. Maintain the safety and necessary order for an academic residence community

2. Determine accountability for prohibited behavior

3. To foster among students an understanding of their responsibility as community members

4. Promote student well-being and personal development

**The Office of Rights and Responsibilities** believes living in the residence halls is an opportunity to better understand how to be a thoughtful community member. If students violate policy and go through the conduct process, that process is an opportunity to learn, grow, reflect, find support, and move forward in a way that more aligns with one's values. All students that enter the process are encouraged to think critically about how their actions impact the community and themselves and what they want that impact to look like in the future.

in mind, students are encouraged to take responsible action in any situation where there is doubt about a person's welfare. Students who summon help for themselves or others in a non-emergency will normally be referred to by disciplinary and administrative action for possession or use of alcohol or drugs and will apply to both who summons help and the recipient of assistance. In lieu of disciplinary and administrative action, students will be required to complete an evaluation through the University Health Center.

[reslife.umd.edu/rap](http://reslife.umd.edu/rap)

## CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES

Confidential resources are meant to help students navigate options and support themselves emotionally and mentally.

Campus Advocates Respond Educate (CARE) to Stop Violence  
University Health Center  
(301) 314-2222  
(301) 741-3442 (24 hours)

Behavioral Health  
University Health Center  
(301) 314-8106

Counseling Center  
Shoemaker Building  
(301) 314-7651