

# Residential Life

## at Centre College

**Living on campus is exciting. Ninety-eight percent of Centre students live on campus, so that's where the action is. Games, pizza parties, late-night study sessions, hall programs, movie marathons, and great conversations quickly turn residential life into the time of your life!**

### Where Will I Live?

Unless you've spent a lot of time away from your house, residence life is going to be a big change. Often it's the most challenging adjustment you'll make at college. *But it doesn't have to be!* Centre students will tell you that living on campus is fun.

For first-year students a room will be assigned to you by the Housing Director, based on information you give us. You'll find out in mid-July where you'll be living, as well as the name and address of your roommate. The housing brochure you'll receive with this information will give you the rules and specific regulations of residence life.

### What are the Residence Halls Like?

Three main clusters of halls dot the campus, which we call the North Side, Old Centre, and the Old Quad. Each cluster has access to a laundromat, a computer lab, kitchen facilities, ironing boards, vending machines, parking lots, bicycle racks, lounges, and study rooms. Bingham Hall in the Old Centre cluster and the new Pearl Hall are handicapped-accessible.

Every floor is staffed with one or more upper-class Resident Assistants (RAs). These students will be there to welcome you, take care of any technical problems in your room, distribute information, and help resolve problems. Residence Directors (RDs) live on campus and serve as a link between the students, RAs, and the administration.

There is also apartment-style housing near campus for upperclass students that is owned by the College.



**Students can decorate their rooms and often spend time together in their dorm rooms.**

### What About Food and Meals?

Eating on campus is varied and convenient. We have three on-campus choices for dining:

- Cowan Dining Commons comes complete with a hot-foods line, an international line, a pizza and pasta bar, a grill for burgers and fries, order-made sandwiches at the deli counter, a soup and salad bar, an ice cream machine, and a dessert bar. Cowan serves three meals a day during the week and two on Saturdays and Sundays. If you miss the main serving hours, Cowan is open between meals for cereal, salad, fruit, ice cream, or a sandwich.



**"Residence life is unique at Centre College—emphasis is placed on developing relationships with residents and empowering them to achieve their goals. Being an R.D. is a great leadership opportunity, plus I've been able to reach out to residents in times of need."**

**Danny Noll**  
**Centre Class of 2010**  
Financial Economics Major  
Residence Director



**The Campus Center contains the Cowan Dining Commons where students, faculty, and staff can choose from a variety of meal choices and areas to gather.**

- The Everyday Café is located to the right of the entrance of Cowan. There you will find grill selections cooked to order with some exciting menu option, an array of fresh salads and sandwiches, Starbucks coffee and milkshakes, and much more!
- The Hall of Fame Café located in the heart of Sutcliffe Athletic Center, features a variety of menu choices including salads, sandwiches, smoothies, coffee, dessert, and more.

You'll choose one of the five different meal plans. Some of the plans have more Cowan meals; others with more Flex Dollars. When you want to eat at Cowan, you scan your ID card at the door, and one meal will be taken off. At The Everyday Café and the Hall of Fame Café, your ID card works like a debit card, using the Flex Dollars that you receive based on your meal plan. Centre Bucks are accepted at the Hub Coffee House & Café, Subway, various pizza shops, and other restaurants in town.

### What About a Car?

All students are allowed to have a car on campus. You'll have to buy a yearly parking permit, which lets you park in any student spot on campus. (A Centre bumper sticker will not suffice—Public Safety officials will ticket you if you don't have the permit.) If you decide not to bring your car, it's okay; there are several banks, a pharmacy, places to worship, a convenience store, and restaurants within easy walking distance.

### The Time of Your Life

Centre is a challenging school, but it's also a fun school. You'll get to know tons of people on this small campus and

have more things to do than you can possibly imagine. When you want a change of scene, Lexington is just up the road and Louisville is a short drive away.

### Come "Reside" for a Night

These are some tips about residential life at Centre, but the best way to get a feel for the campus is to come for a visit and spend the night. You can also tour the campus, attend a class, and talk to the professors and students.

#### Tips You Won't Find in the Viewbook:

- Make sure you bring extra-long sheets (36" x 80").
- Refrigerators must be six cubic feet or smaller; microwaves must be 700 watts or less.
- Each room has a phone jack, so you may bring a landline phone.
- A computer is helpful but not necessary since there are many computer labs on Centre's campus.

**It's a good idea to check with your future roommate to coordinate what you're bringing so that you don't end up with two of everything.**

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