Housing Selection 21'-22' Discord Channel:
Instructions for Engagement

Getting Started

- For getting set up with a Discord account, please visit this article on the Discord site! This article above provides information for everything from creating and setting up an account to joining a server, which you will need to do to participate in the Housing Selection Discord server.

What is a Server?

- In Discord, a server is a specified space for discussing a topic or interest, like a focused online chat space. You can join or create servers for all kinds of communities (ex: book club, dance class, study group). The WashU Housing Selection Discord Server has been created to help give you a space to meet other residents and find others to live with for the coming 2021-2022 academic year. Below is a screenshot of what a server can look like:
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About the WashU Housing Selection Server & Text Channels

Text channels are spaces for talking. They keep conversations organized and give everyone plenty of room to talk. There are separate text channels in the WashU Housing Selection Discord server for residents. Within the Housing Selection Discord Server, there are specific channels:

- **#rules** - for rules of engaging in the server.
- **#announcements** - check for any major announcements.
- **#introductions** - share a quick intro about yourself. (not required)
- **#housing group size (multiple available)** - see below.

Residents must follow the steps provided on page 3 to be assigned their "resident role" and begin posting in the server.

Follow the below steps to get connected & involved in the Housing Selection Server:

1. All residents must go to **#rules** channel and agree to the rules.
2. Next, “react” to the most recent post in the **#rules** channel by clicking on the thumbs-up emoji located below the post. By clicking the emoji, you will initiate your ability to post elsewhere in the server.
3. Next, take a second to introduce yourself in the **#introduction** channel to the community. You are encouraged to share so that residents can know who to seek out and talk more with. Let folks know what you're looking for regarding grouping.
4. Finally, the **remaining four #channels** are based on housing selection group size preferences. These spaces have been created for residents to post and meet other residents they can live with for the next academic year.

Where can residents post?

Residents can post in the **#introductions and #group size channels**. Residents will not be able to post in the **#rules or #announcements channels**.
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Want to talk 1:1 with a resident? **Use DIRECT MESSAGE!** (click link)

Following the server rules, if you have made a connection with someone, start a 1:1 conversation. If you meet someone via a roommate mixer, encourage them to get connected to the WashU Housing Selection discord server and talk further here.

Similar to Instagram and Twitter, to start a 1:1 conversation, **direct message a resident.** First, see if they are online (screenshot below).

If the resident is online, click on their name. It will pop out their discord profile. **At the bottom of their profile, there will be an option to message the resident directly.** Select the message space and type your direct message there. Once typed, hit enter.

After hitting enter, you will be automatically taken to a direct space message space to continue your 1:1 conversation.

The circled is the direct message space.
Get invited to the Discord Channel by clicking here. You will be taken to a quick form and receive the invitation to get started.

NOTE: Phone or voice calls are not available on the WashU Housing Selection Server channels.