Lyons Hall

Hall Life

Lyons is a hall with incredible history and architecture (just over 85 years old, and featuring a beautiful archway that looks onto St. Mary’s Lake), and its residents are incredibly loyal to their hall and proud to call themselves Lyonites. Most of them think getting assigned to Lyons is the next best thing to getting sorted into Gryffindor.

Lyonites are great leaders inside the hall and out, active in many clubs and organizations, athletics (we have at least one woman on almost every varsity team), musically talented, and provide service to others in a variety of ways.

Lyons Hall prides itself on “keeping it classy”, with the women dressing up in black dresses and lion-ear headbands for the first pep rally of each school year.

Quick Facts

Number of residents: 184
Hall Colors: Black and Gold
Hall Mascot: Lion
Signature Events: Mara Fox Run, Recess
Location: South Quad, North of the Rock
The Assistant Rector Position

The Assistant Rectors in Lyons Hall have a unique role, sharing some responsibilities with the Rector, and sharing between themselves some responsibilities unique to the Assistant Rector position. Those responsibilities shared by the two ARs are flexible, and can be assigned according to strengths, preferences, or seniority within the Hall. The most important qualities are an open heart and a willingness to support the growth and development of young women.

Responsibilities shared with the Rector include:

- Duty 2-3 nights per week, in addition to coverage for Fall, Spring, Thanksgiving, and Easter break as determined by Head Staff;
- Participation in weekly meetings of head staff (both ARs and the Rector) and hall staff (Rector, ARs and six undergraduate RAs);
- Developing and leading in-hall staff training;
- Developing and leading hall council (hall government) training;
- Supervision of Hall Council;
- Supporting the spiritual life of the hall.

Responsibilities unique to the Assistant Rector position include:

- Oversight of Hall Council: an equal number of commissions will be assigned to each AR, with one AR overseeing the hall president and hall council generally, and the other AR supervising the planning of major hall events;
- Leading Hall Council training, with planning retreats taking place at the beginning of each semester, as well as when new commissioners are selected in the Spring;
- Developing a signature event series, responding to the needs of the hall and working with offices on campus to develop engaging programming addressing social, academic, and health concerns;
- Working with the hall Treasurer and the Rector to maintain Hall finance records and develop and follow a budget for both Hall Council and Hall Staff.