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Beyond the Classroom: Student Life Opportunities

Student Affairs, Campus Ministry & Residential Life
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Student Affairs at Assumption

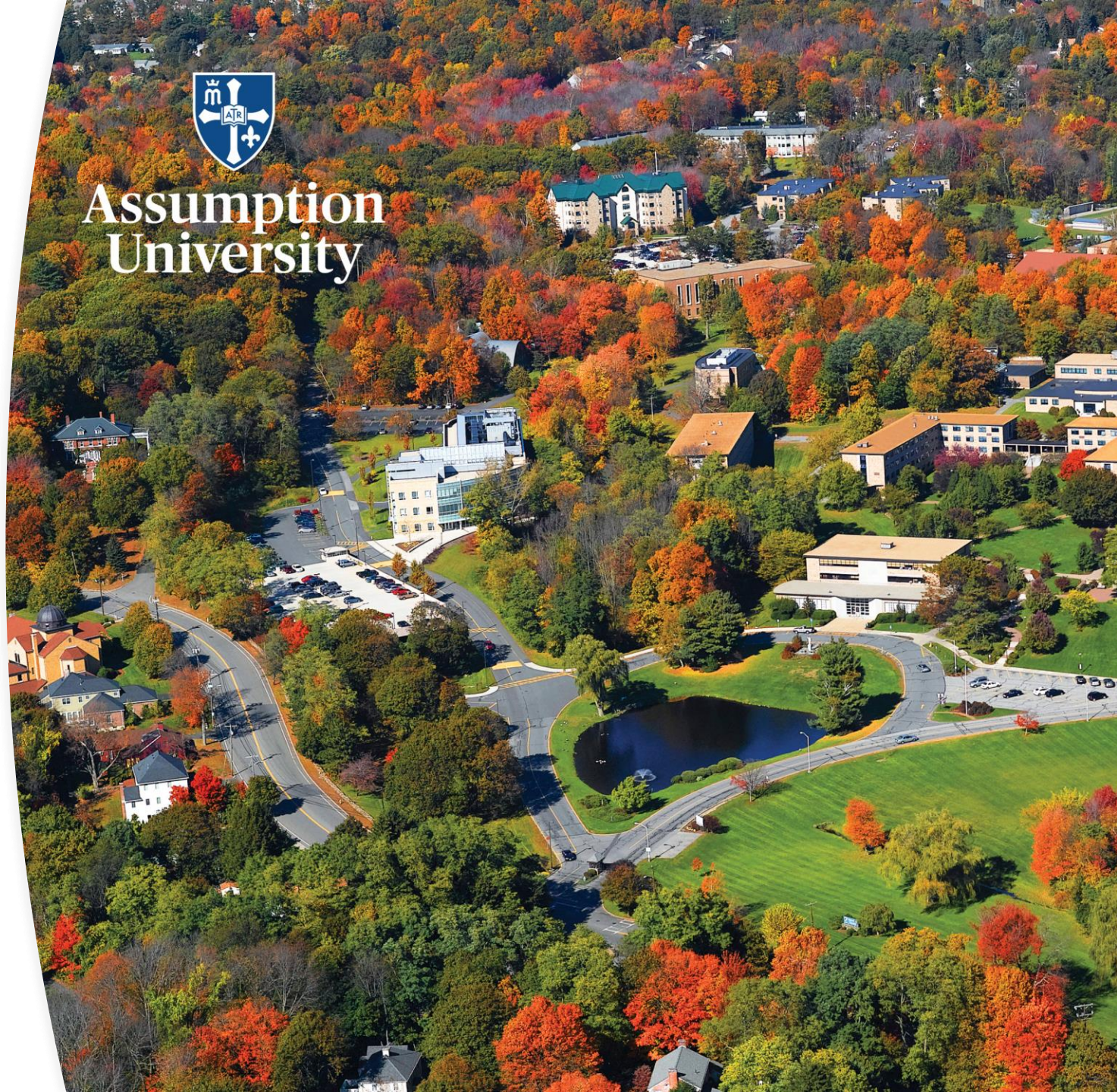
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Student Affairs at Assumption

- The Augustinians of the Assumption founded Assumption College in 1904
- Mission has been consistent since the beginning, rooted in the Catholic intellectual tradition, strives to form graduates known for critical intelligence, thoughtful citizenship, and compassionate service.
- Student Affairs staff support that mission throughout the residential and cocurricular aspects of student life.
- We plan and implement programs around a core set of principles so that we can light the way for Assumption students to achieve their full personal and academic potential.



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Core Principles

Community

Contemplation

Longing for God

Vocation

Mission to Serve



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Transition to College



Difference between life as high school student and life as a college student



Newly-Adult rights and responsibilities



Need actively to embrace this new role



Students need to be active in their own development, inside and outside of the classroom



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Campus Culture

85% of AU students report they socialize on campus

15% socializing off campus

Weekend late night programming

Off campus events and trips

Uber Partnership



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Snapshot of Co-curricular Life



Student Government Association
(SGA)



Women's Studies Club



ACTV



Campus Activities Board (CAB)



Heights Yearbook Club



Assumption Against Cancer



Peers Advocating Wellness for
Students (PAWS)



Commuters of Assumption Club



Accounting Club



Active Minds



Philosophy Club



Love Your Melon



Residential Life



Merely Players



Green Hounds



ALANA (African, Latino, Asian and
Native American)



Latin Dance Club



Table Top Gaming



W.I.N.G.S. (Women Interested in
Networking, Gathering and Solidarity)



Valley Girl Magazine



Greyhound Association for
Marketing Enrichment (GAME)



P.A.L.M.S. (Positively Achieving
Leadership by Men in Society)



Grey Tones & Hound Sound



disABILITY Awareness Team



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Campus Recreation

Fitness

- Instructor-Based Classes
- Virtual Fitness Experience (Video-Based Exercise routines, 150+ pre-loaded fitness videos)
- Spinning road tours through the world (i.e. Ireland, France, Greek Isles, etc.)
- Kettlebell/Abs
- Kick Boxing
- Hip Hop

Fitness Equipment

- Cardio (Treadmills, Elliptical, Bikes)
- Track for running/walking
- Strength (Free Weights, Machines)
- 3 multi-use Basketball courts
- Stretching/Abs (Yoga Mats, Foam Rollers)
- 6 lane pool
- 2 racquet ball courts

Intramurals

- Battleship
- Floor Hockey
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Flag Football
- Lawn Games (Kan Jam, Cornhole, Ladder Ball, Horseshoes, Wiffleball)
- Softball
- Dodgeball
- Indoor Soccer

Club Sports

- Equestrian
- Cheerleading
- Dance
- Men & Women's Basketball
- Men & Women's Volleyball
- Women's Soccer
- Martial Arts
- Outdoor Club (Rock climbing, whitewater rafting, ropes course).

Snapshot of Events & Activities

- Late Night Programming
 - Fridays at 8pm
 - Saturdays at 9pm
- Off Campus Trips
 - Six Flags
 - Snow Tubing
 - NYC/Boston
- Daytime Programming
 - Hagan Happenings
 - Christmas in Charlie's
- Athletics Games
- Weekend Events
 - Winterfest
 - Family Weekend
 - Siblings Weekend
 - Spring Concert
- Weekly Mass & Prayer
- Student Leadership Opportunities
- Midnight Breakfast
- Duck Day



Co-curricular Commuter Life

- Commuter Club
- Monthly Commuter Lunch
- Commuter Newsletter
- Lockers
- <https://www.assumption.edu/student-experience/commuters>



Connecting with Assumption

Monthly Parent & Family eNewsletter



- Important dates and deadlines; services available to students; student and faculty achievements; and other stories about the uniqueness and value of an Assumption education
- Subscribe at assumption.edu/Families

Assumption Parents Association Facebook Group

- facebook.com/groups/AUWPA/

Parent and Family Newsletter

Dean's List Spring 2020



Spring 2020 Dean's List Released

[View the Complete List](#)

Departmental and Other Award Recipients Announced

[View the Complete List](#)


Laura Heinold Jenkins shared a photo.
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COFFEE & CAREERS

How to Sell Yourself to an Employer

Tuesday June 2, 2020
11-11:30

Log into Handshake to find the Zoom link and password!



Student Development

- Friend-making and keeping
- Academic Planning
- Time Management
- Study Skills
- Maintaining good health and wellness
- Building Community
- Faith Development

We're here to help you make the most of your student's Assumption experience.



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Campus Ministry at Assumption

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Nurturing Students' Faith Development

Enlivened by the Catholic affirmation of the harmony of faith and reason, we aim, by the pursuit of the truth, to transform the minds and hearts of students. (from Mission Statement of Assumption University)



“Cura personalis – care for the whole person – is a defining feature of nearly all Catholic higher education...The purpose of Catholic education is not simply to form competent scholars and professionals but also to form men and women capable of leading full, meaningful lives – spiritually, morally, emotionally, and socially, as well as intellectually.” (Journal of Catholic Education, Fall 2019)



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Assumption: A Catholic and Assumptionist University

247 of the 4,298 colleges/universities in the U.S. are Catholic.

Assumption is 3rd oldest Catholic college/university in New England.

Assumptionist priests and brothers are active as professors, administrators and campus ministers at Assumption University.

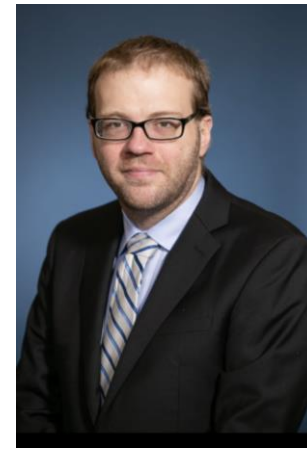


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Campus Ministry at Assumption: Who We Are

Four Campus Ministers:
1 Catholic deacon,
1 Assumptionist brother,
2 lay ministers.

Two representatives of
InterVarsity Christian
Fellowship and four
missionaries from the
Fellowship of Catholic
University Students (FOCUS).



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Campus Ministry at Assumption: What We Do

Provide opportunities for
transformational encounters with
Jesus Christ.

Invite all students to develop a
life that matters through:
prayer and worship
service and justice
spiritual growth and development



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Campus Ministry at Assumption: For All Students

Catholics ◦ Protestants ◦ Orthodox Christians
Jews ◦ Muslims ◦ Buddhists ◦ Hindus
those who are questioning or seeking

Campus Ministry meets students
where they are

With few exceptions (eg, serving as a
Communion minister at Catholic Mass), all
Campus Ministry activities are open
to students from any or no religious tradition.

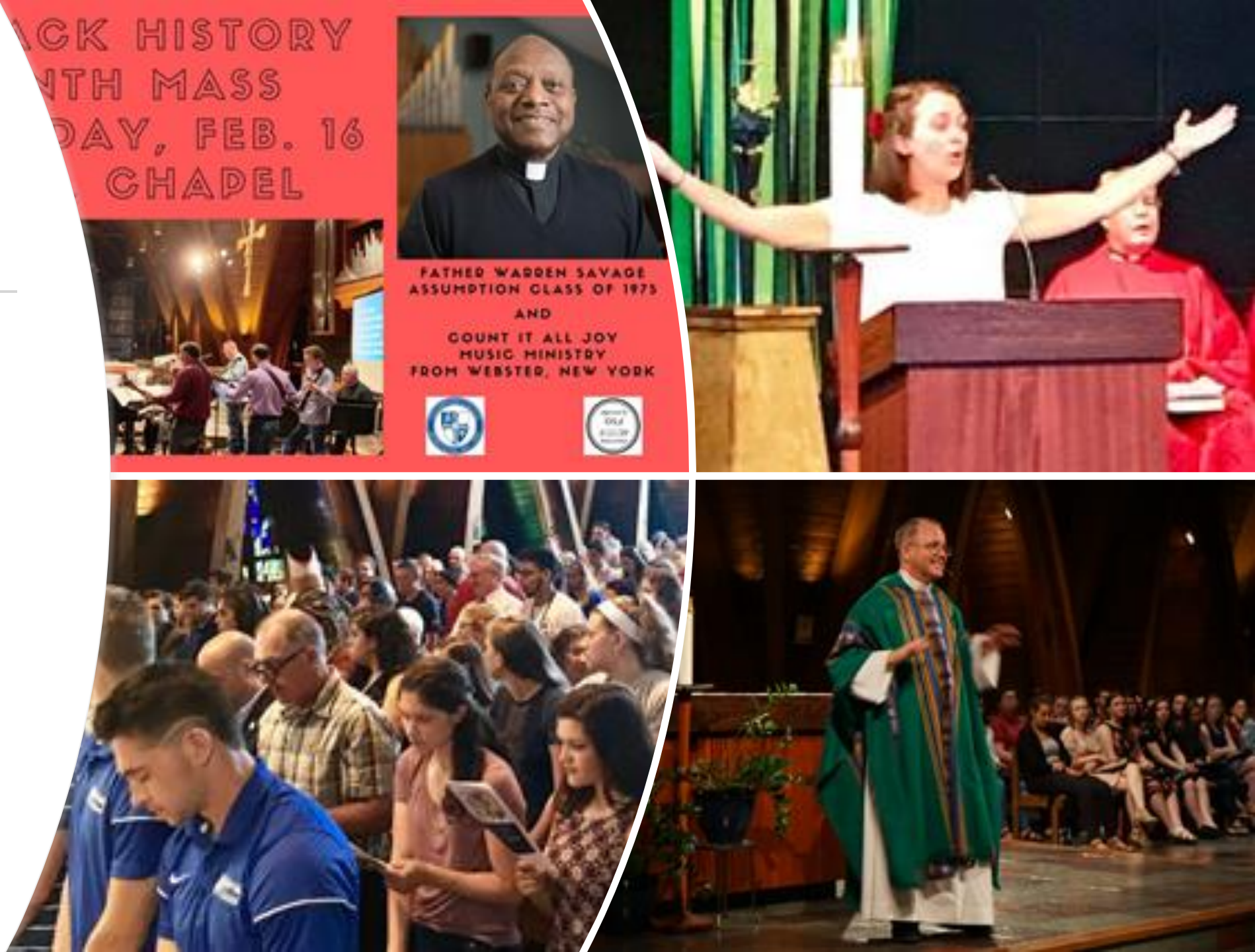
Worcester:
Home to
diverse
communities
of faith



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Campus Ministry at Assumption: Prayer and Worship

- Sunday and Daily Masses
- Student-Led Prayer Services
- Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
- Hispanic Heritage Month Mass
- Black History Month Mass
- Opening Weekend Non-Denominational Christian Worship
- Liturgical and Music Ministries: Greeter, Altar Server, Lector, Communion Minister, Cantor, Choir, Instrumentalist
- Sunday Transportation to Journey Non-Denominational Church



Campus Ministry at Assumption: Service and Justice

- Reach Out Center (community service in Worcester)
- SEND service/immersion trips (domestic and international)
- Advocates for Life
- Habitat for Humanity
- SEARCH pre-Confirmation retreats for area parishes
- Greenhounds (sustainability group)
- InterVarsity ServeUP service/mission trip
- Catholic Relief Services Social Justice Ambassadors



Campus Ministry at Assumption: Spiritual Growth and Development

- Retreats (including Genesis for 1st year students only)
- Agape Latte
- Men's Vocation Group
- Peer Ministry
- Bible Study (InterVarsity and FOCUS)
- Ministers in Residence
- AC Allies (LGBTQ support)
- Ministry with Athletes (Team Chaplains, Athletes InterVarsity)
- Good Grief (grief support)
- Interfaith Alliance
- Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist)
- Pastoral Counseling
- Spiritual Direction



Residential Life

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Residential Life Mission Statement

“We strive to provide a residential environment that extends the students’ education beyond the classroom, emphasizes personal choice and accountability, established a network of support and guidance, and develops the whole person: mind, body, and spirit.”

Residential Life

- 85% of all Assumption students live on campus
- Campus is a vibrant community throughout the academic year
- Students remain on campus during the week and the weekends

Residential Life

- Residential Life Professional Staff
 - Director
 - Associate Director
 - 2 Area Coordinators
 - 4 Resident Directors
- 54 Resident Assistants (RA's) who will live on the floor trained:
 - To serve as a resource for our residents
 - Conduct floor programs
 - Facilitate floor meetings
 - Establish the code of conduct on their floors
 - Address roommate issues, conflicts
 - Monitor maintenance issues and damage in the areas

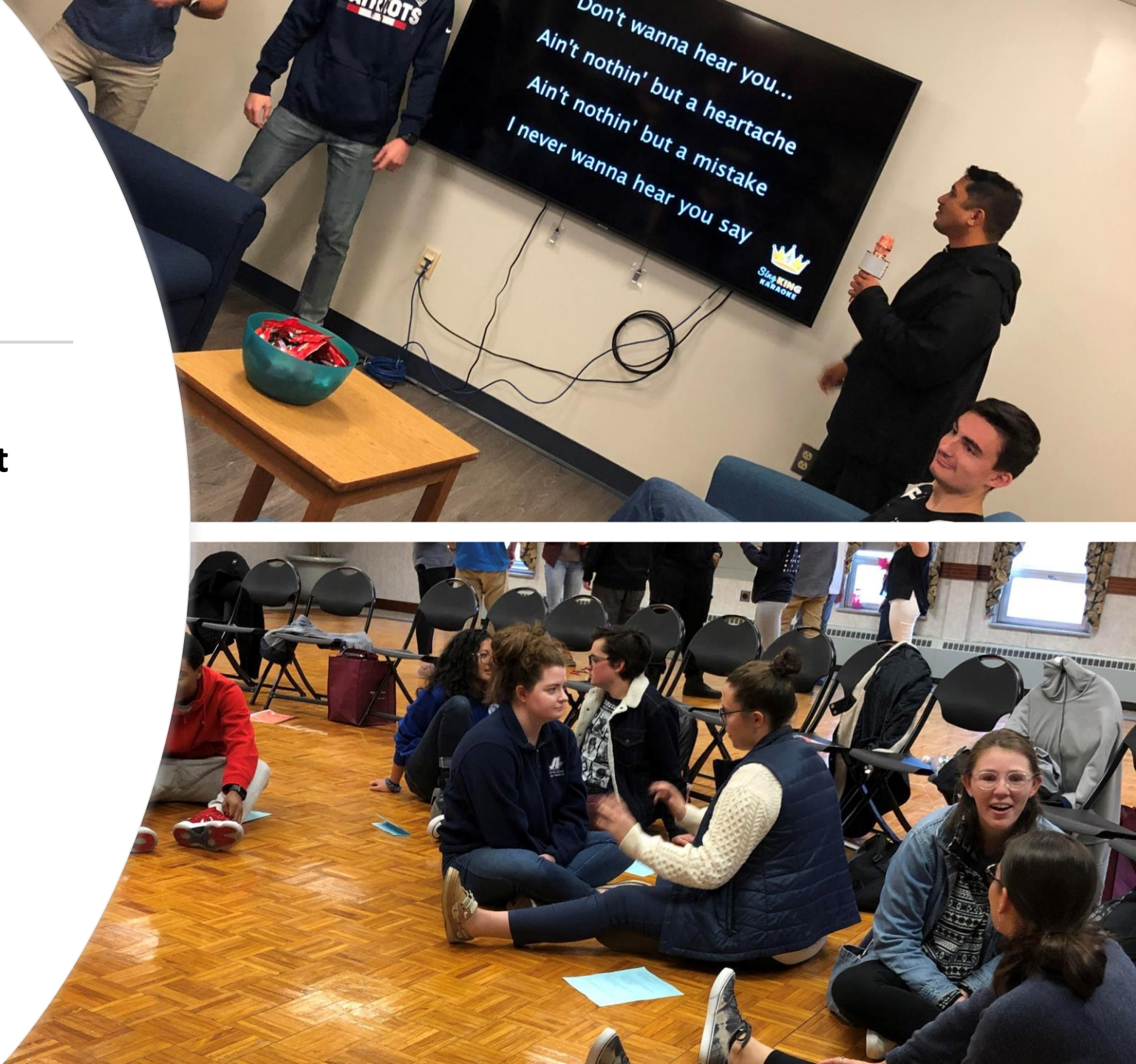
Community Building

Residential Life is committed to creating a vibrant and active community in each residence hall on campus. Resident Assistants (RAs) are in place to be mentors, helpers, friends, and resources for all needs that students may have during their time living at Assumption.



Programming

Programming is an essential part of the living on campus at Assumption. Resident Assistants (RAs) put on over 300 hall programs per year across the different residence halls. RAs also put on 6, large-scale campus wide programs per year, known as Saturday Night Live (SNLs).



R.H.A. and Hall Council

Residence Hall Association (R.H.A.) offers programs opportunities for residential students to enhance their living experience. Hall Council allows all residential student to get involved in their hall to provide community enrichment programs.



Peer Ministry

Peer Ministry is a joint program between Residential Life and Campus Ministry. Peer Ministry provides programming within the residence halls and around campus that center around faith development. It is a great leadership opportunity that first year students can participate in.



Campus Safety

- Residential Life

- On duty rotations every night of the academic year
- 1 RA on Sunday – Thursday, 2 RAs Friday & Saturday
- 1 AC/RD on Sunday – Thursday, 2 Friday & Saturday
- 1 Administrator on Call on a weekly rotation

- Campus Police

- Available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year
- Campus patrols at all hours
- Emergency response, Blue Lights, RAVE Guardian App

First Year Residence Halls



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Alumni and Desautels Halls



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Salisbury and Worcester Halls



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Hanrahan and Nault Halls



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Discussion & Questions



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Thank you

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See you for Orientation in July!