

ACTIVITIES

French House residents can expect to be involved in the following types of activities:

- Invite native-speaker exchange students from *l'Université Cergy-Pontoise* for informal gatherings.
- Learn some new life skills as you plan, prepare, and share evening meals Sunday through Thursday.
- Get to know the native-speaker Resident Assistant.
- Host the annual *crêpes* feast and September pizza party.
- Assist members of the *Cercle français* to prepare a "*grand repas*" for fellow French students as well as professors.
- Partake in a cheese-tasting event.
- Join other students in screening a French film on campus at the International Film Festival.

APPLICATION

Talk to a member of the French faculty or download the application from the website.

DEADLINE:
January 26, 2009

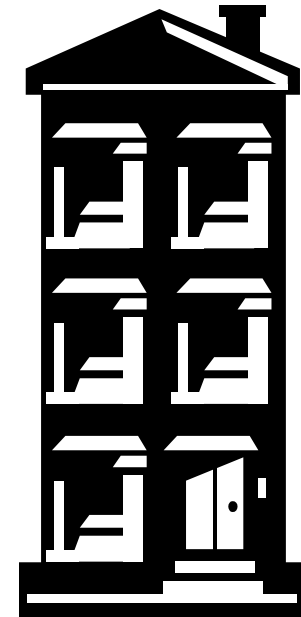
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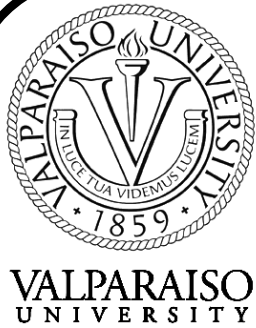
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AMENITIES

The French House offers many unique amenities which set it apart from other residence options:

- Private single room in a two or three bedroom apartment;
- Located close to campus in the Compass Pointe apartment complex;
- Partially furnished rooms (bed, desk, dresser, couch, sitting chair, dinette table and chairs);
- Full kitchen includes dishwasher, oven/range, refrigerator, & microwave;
- Private bathroom;
- Washer and dryer (within bathroom);
- Walk-out balcony.

Current rates available on the Residential Life website: valpo.edu/reslife. Like study abroad, a semester in the French House is a worthwhile investment.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

- Commit to speaking French in an intentional immersion environment.
- Share daily evening meals with your fellow residents.
- Interact with the native-speaker Resident Assistant.
- Help to promote the use of French and knowledge of French culture

through active participation in activities organized by the *Cercle français*.

- Live “off campus” as early as your Sophomore year.
- Enjoy all the amenities of this unique off-campus, apartment-style residence.

REQUIREMENTS

- Any student who is taking or has taken French 204 or the equivalent can apply for residence during their sophomore, junior, or senior year.
- Applications will be accepted from any student, regardless of major. International students whose native language is French will be considered if space is available.
- Applications are reviewed by a committee of faculty and staff. Decisions are made based on GPA, language ability and willingness to participate in communal life. Seniority and gender balance are also considered.
- Applicants are informed whether or not they have been selected well in advance of the campus-wide room selection process.

STUDY ABROAD

Students who are studying abroad are especially encouraged to apply to live in the French House — either in preparation for their time abroad or as a way of easing back into American campus life after being abroad.

To accommodate students who study abroad, it is indeed possible to apply to live in the French House for only one semester.

It is important to investigate early how study abroad and French House residency can fit in with your academic program.

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