

FRENCH HOUSE (*MAISON FRANÇAISE*)
HOUSING APPLICATION (2020/2021 academic year)

(due on Friday, January 31, 2020 at the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, ASB 274)

Name: _____

Local Address: _____ Telephone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

• Total credit hours earned through Fall 2019 semester: _____

• Overall GPA as of Fall 2019 _____

• How many years did you study French in high school? _____

• List the courses you have taken in French while at Valparaiso (including any study abroad) and the grade you received in each:

Course Title

Grade Received

• Please indicate where and when you plan to study abroad (or have already studied):

Please circle:

Paris-BU

Cergy-Pontoise

VIEP-France

La Rochelle-Business

Semester/Year: _____

• Have you spent other time in a French-speaking country? If yes, please explain.

• For which semester(s) are you applying to live in the French House?

Circle:

full year

fall only

spring only

• If you are applying for one semester only, please state the reason:

- Are you planning to apply for an RA position for the 2020/2021 academic year? yes no

If yes, which placement will you accept? RA position French House

- French House residents share the planning, preparing, eating, cleaning up, and expense of the evening meal (Sunday - Thursday) unless an academic class is scheduled at that time. Indicate your ability and willingness to participate by circling "yes" or "no." If you must circle "no," please explain in your essay (see below) how you will resolve the potential conflict.

I will be present at Sunday - Thursday evening meals (unless I am at a scheduled class):
yes no

My eating habits (multiple food allergies, aversion to common foods, etc.) make it difficult for me to share meals with others:
yes no

- Suite-style rooms in Beacon Hall will be assigned to French House residents based on total number of residents and space allocation decisions made by the Office of Residential Life. Depending on room assignment, do you have a preferred roommate who is also applying to live in the French House?

Circle: yes Name(s): _____
 no

If your preferred roommate is not selected to live in the French House, are you willing to live with a roommate assigned to you?

Circle: yes no Not applicable

Please include the following documents with this Application Form:

1) a grade transcript (print-out from DataVU is satisfactory);

2) an essay in which you address the following questions:

- Why do you wish to live in the French House?
- What will you contribute to the life and activities of the French House and French Club?
- How will you avoid conflicts involving the community meal time or eating needs/preferences?

The Recommendation Form (attached) should be turned in directly by your referee.

I have read the "General Information" document that accompanies this application. My signature affirms that I understand and fully support the rules and objectives described therein, and that I pledge to abide by those rules and objectives.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

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RECOMMENDATION FOR RESIDENCY**

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To the Applicant:

Please have your current RA or RLC complete this form. Commuter students should have a faculty or staff person complete it. Study-abroad students should have a recent RA or RLC, or current study-abroad director complete it.

Please ask your referee to return this form the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures (ASB 274) by Friday, January 31, 2020. Please check one of the statements listed below and sign as indicated:

_____ *I waive my right to access of this form and other material connected to the selection process.*

_____ *I do not waive my right to access of this form and other material connected to the selection process.*

Signature _____ Date _____

To the Reference Person:

(Applicant's Name) _____ has applied to live in the VU French House. S/he has given your name as a reference person.

Students who live in the French House are expected to serve non-resident students through planned and intentional social gatherings and educational outreach programs (for example: hosting French Club activities; planning informational gatherings about study abroad; or organizing French cultural events). Further, they are expected to speak only French in public areas of the French House.

Your honest appraisal of this individual's potential as a resident of the French House is greatly appreciated. Others will comment on the applicant's French ability; we ask you to comment on whether the applicant will contribute to the success of the French House with regard to the expectations described above.

Name of Reference Person: _____

Campus Address: _____

Telephone: _____ e-mail address: _____

Relationship to Applicant (please check appropriately):

_____ Applicant's current or recent RA or RLC

_____ Member of faculty or staff; acquainted with the applicant

_____ Other (please explain your relationship below)

over, please

Please evaluate the applicant on each characteristic listed below using the following rating. Any additional written comments you can provide are greatly appreciated.

- 1 -- Excellent
- 2 -- Above Average
- 3 -- Average
- 4 -- Minimally acceptable
- 5 -- Not acceptable
- N/A -- Not applicable (no information available in this area)

_____ INITIATIVE: The ease and vigor with which this person approaches a new situation or develops a new project. (Is the applicant likely to initiate an activity for residents and/or non-residents of the French House?)

Comments:

_____ COOPERATION: The applicant's ability to work with others. (Is the applicant likely to participate in activities initiated by others?)

Comments:

_____ RESPONSIBILITY: The degree to which this person is dependable, reliable, and accurate in his/her work. (Is the applicant likely to keep his/her pledge to speak only French in the French House?)

Comments:

_____ PERSONAL DISPOSITION: The applicant's ability to interact in a residential community. (Is the applicant likely to maintain a level-headed disposition in situations of conflict, anxiety, or social discomfort?)

Comments:

Additional Comments or Explanations:

Reference Signature: _____ Date: _____