Here is where academic interests develop into life-long friendships.

Through an intentional living/learning experience, these students experience more from their on-campus residential housing. The University at Buffalo First-Year Interest (FYI) learning community participants build strong personal connections by living with peers from similar academic interests. They support one another through their academic pursuits and engage in programming initiatives specifically designed for their area of academic interest.

Building Community

The FYI Social Sciences Living Learning Community is for students enrolled or intending to enroll Psychology. Staff develop programming that focuses on hot topics of the field, and personal growth and development. We also partner with Career Services to explore the variety of opportunities available to students in this major.

How to Apply

1. Fill out a UB housing agreement.
2. Complete preferences in housing module (room type, roommates, etc)
3. Fill out the “FYI Supplemental Application” https://tinyurl.com/FYIapplication

Location
Wilkeson Hall
Ellicott Complex

Participants
Up to 32 applicants accepted

Community Pride Programs
Social Experiment

Academic Support

Each community is staffed with an Academic Assistant who provides support to residence halls by encouraging exploration and engagement, promotion of academic success strategies, and community building.

Reasons our FYI Psychology participants love living here:

- Staffed with a Psychology upperclassman Resident Advisor who shares their interests, know faculty in common courses, and which club/organizations participants should look into.
- A psychology Academic Assistant is available to tutor, and provide academic support.
- Residents form close friendships, study with one another, and help one another get involved in all that Buffalo and UB have to offer.
- Monthly academic and educational programs that occur in lounges in the community
- Early conversations about ways to prepare for careers and graduate school.

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