Summer Vacation?

Ever wonder what goes on in the residence halls during the summer? Well the answer is “plenty.” Most of the summer is filled with projects and renovations to improve and maintain the buildings. Over the past five years, $11 million has been invested in projects to enhance the residence halls. These projects have included renovating bathrooms, replacing doors, upgrading the heating system, and repairing the electrical systems.

The summer of 2012 will be no different. Plans for renovations to Russell, Gerry and O’Connor Halls will cost $3.5 million dollars. Russell Hall will have work done to the interior hallways and the main entrance way. This work will include new flooring, ceilings and wall coverings. The hallway lighting will be upgraded to provide bright hallways. The hallway interior design has been worked out to make the hallways visually pleasing and easier to navigate. The main entrance way will get a major face lift and will become a welcoming environment and will aid in student circulation through the building. In addition to the interior work on Russell Hall, the exterior courtyards between the two halves of the building will have the brick facing repaired and stained to match the rest of the building. Included in the Russell Hall summer project is the upgrade of the fire alarm system.

Gerry Hall will be the next building to have bathrooms and laundry rooms renovated. The new bathrooms in Gerry Hall will update the existing bathrooms

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Earth Week 2012
April 22-26

Look for events in each residence hall to celebrate Earth Day and to promote sustainability. See your RA for details!

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1) Pay your $100 housing deposit by 4:30 pm Friday, April 6th
   Student Accounts, 1st floor of Bush Hall, or through BroncoWeb

2) Complete the online contract by midnight Monday, April 9th
   www.delhi.edu/ResLife LINK: “Student Housing Management Access”
   Also, complete & return supplemental application if requesting Catskill or Riverview.

3) Pick your room online between April 23rd & April 27th
   More information to follow.
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and will be redesigned for more efficient student use. The interior design will be a modern, clean, classy look with improved lighting and amenities for students. The laundry room design will move all the building laundry facilities to one room with stacked high-efficiency washers and dryers. The newly designed laundry room will have better lighting and folding tables. A small lounge area for students to wait and study while doing their laundry will be added for the ultimate in multi-tasking.

Feedback and comments on residence hall projects is solicited from students by different means. Students complete a Residence Life Quality Assessment Survey. On the last survey done in the spring of 2011, 75% of the students surveyed rated the quality of their room as good or excellent. That is up from 25% in 2005 and 62% in 2007. Other methods of feedback are the SUNY Student Opinion Survey, focus groups and direct comments from students and parents.

One suggestion for improvement from the spring 2011 Quality Assessment Survey was for more common kitchens in the halls. Currently, only Catskill Hall has a common kitchen. In response to this suggestion, a kitchen project will take place in O'Connor Hall during the summer of 2012. The project includes the installation of a common area kitchen on the first floor. The new kitchen will have a range, refrigerator and plenty of counter space so that students can make individual meals or cook for a group. The new kitchen will include a seating area so students can sit and relax and enjoy their food. The project will serve as a pilot for future common kitchens in the other halls.

For more information on summer residence hall projects, or to give feedback and suggestions for improvements to the residence halls, please stop by the Office of Residence Life in Catskill Hall, room 111.

Aiming for A's

Making a Study Plan
1. Set specific objectives (for example, 50 pages per week).
2. Study the same subject at the same time on the same day.
3. Avoid adjacent study times for similar subjects.
4. Use pre-set study blocks and remember to take a break.
5. Give yourself rewards for achieving study objectives.

Success Summary
1. Study at fixed times
2. Find something in each subject that interests you
3. Review your notes frequently
4. Start to review at least one week before each test

Studying for TECHNICAL COURSES

Text Reading
1. Scan chapter
2. Read chapter summary first (if there is one)
3. Use subtitles to produce questions & definitions
4. Underline and outline prudently
5. Use summary sheets to collect important diagrams & groups of terms, formulas, etc.

Problems
1. Get fast: practice solving at least three times the number of assigned problems in half the allotted time.
2. Categorize problems by type.
3. Visualize solving each type of problem.
4. Use another text.

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The Housing and Residence Life program exists as an integral part of the educational program and academic support services of the institution. The mission of the department includes:

1. Providing reasonably priced living environments that are clean, attractive, well maintained, comfortable, and which include safety features.
2. Ensuring the orderly and effective administration of the program through effective management.
3. Providing a learning environment and related co-curricular programs that promote maturity and academic success. Programs and staff interventions designed to promote maturity are grounded in human development and student learning theory.[1]

The Office of Residence Life at SUNY Delhi supports the educational mission of the College by providing a living-learning environment that is conducive to academic achievement and optimal personal growth. We seek to develop a sense of belonging and respect within our residential community by helping our students to acquire knowledge and skills, make informed choices, develop critical thinking skills, make ethical choices, and assume self-responsibility.

The Office of Residence Life engages in regular assessment of its services for continuous improvement of the residential community and the residence hall facilities.

[1] Standards for College and University Housing, ACUHO-I, 2001

Mission Statement Office of Residence Life