

Community Living Agreement: Quiet Community

This document has been created to supplement the Residence Contract, as an additional Community Living Agreement for students electing to live in a **Quiet Community**. Quiet Communities have been established for students committed to maintaining a quieter living environment.

As a resident who elects to live in a Quiet Community, you have both rights and responsibilities. The following guiding principles support the above objective of maintaining a quiet living environment:

- 1. At all times on a Quiet Floor, residents and their guests should maintain a level of noise that cannot be easily heard outside their room when the door is closed.
- 2. Regular living noise is acceptable in the lounges (conversations, floor meetings, study groups, use of the television at a reasonable volume etc.) Residents and guests should not use the lounges for other activities such as playing loud music, large gatherings or similar activities. Furthermore, noise in the open hallways and washrooms of a Quiet Floor should not disturb residents who are in their rooms when their door is closed. Residents should avoid shouting down the hallway, banging on doors, playing loud music in the shower or other actions that may disturb others.
- 3. If residents wish to host an event or gathering on a Quiet Floor that would create noise in excess of the community norm, this may be done only if the following conditions are met:
 - The event or gathering may only occur on a Friday or Saturday evening (exam period excluded)
 - b. They do so in consultation with their Community Leader, or suggest the event to their Community Leader to facilitate as a program.
- 4. Guests of residents are subject to the same conditions when visiting this community. The resident is responsible for ensuring all guests are aware of the Community Living Agreement and is **responsible for the actions and behaviour of their guests.**
- 5. Residence Services strives to promote an enjoyable communal living environment and social interaction among students. As such, individuals expecting absolute silence at all times may not be well-suited for residence living (even in a quiet community), and may wish to consider other living arrangements or explore study spaces outside of residence.

Any resident living in this community has the right to a reasonably quiet living environment. If this right is being violated, the resident is encouraged to approach the person(s) responsible. Community Leaders are available to mediate disputes between students, and uphold the Community Standards and Community Living Agreement if violations occur. Final decisions for noise-related disputes will be at the discretion of the Neighbourhood Manager.