Random Hall Room Assignments Policy
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Priority

1. Each class will have its own priority list. Seniors will have priority over juniors, juniors over sophomores, etc.

2. Upon exercising one’s priority, one will drop to the bottom of the appropriate subsection (doubles or singles) within one’s class priority list. Exercising priority is defined as moving from one room to another (exception rule 3). Within a class, people in doubles will have higher priority than those in singles. Each time moves are made, new subsections of doubles and singles are appended to the end of the priority list.

3. A person in a half-filled double may select his or her roommate without affecting the priority of either.

4. Incoming freshmen will determine their class priority by drawing numbers (or any other equivalent method). After their freshmen year, their class priority list will be reversed; he or she with the lowest priority at the end of his or her freshmen year will have top priority at the beginning of his or her sophomore year.

5. The priority list will be available on request from the housing chair.

Transfers and Special Students

6. Dorm and college transfers have an effective priority at the bottom of the sophomore class priority list (if transferring during fall term) or freshmen class priority list (if transferring during spring) for the term during which he or she transferred. After he or she has lived a term at Random, he or she will then be assigned the lowest priority in his or her graduating class.

7. Re-admitted students who previously lived in another dorm will be considered a dorm transfer.

8. Those taking semesters off will be assigned the lowest priority among the last doubles subsection of his or her graduating class. Those taking breaks of more than one semester will be assigned an equivalent priority in the graduating class that entered a year (or appropriate time period) after that person took up residence in Random Hall. If planning on doing any of these, please talk to the housing chair so he or she is aware of your plans.

9. Co-op students will be assigned to an equivalent room with equivalent priority in his or her graduating class upon returning, provided that they inform the housing chair that they plan to return to Random Hall prior to their departure.

10. Students entering Random Hall after living off-campus will be considered a dorm transfer.
11. Special students will be treated as normal students (i.e. assigned a priority based on the number of terms he or she has lived at Random Hall).

12. All transfer students entering Random before Add Date of the term will be given credit for living at Random for that term.

Squatting

13. Squatter’s rights are observed for all rooms and in choosing new roommates for half-open doubles. Squatting takes effect one week after registration day, or after one week of residency, whichever comes last.

14. Squatter’s rights end the day summer or fall housing ends. Squatter’s rights begin when the assigned permanent resident moves in after this day.

15. Ninth term residents may squat their rooms. Non-squatting ninth termers have an effective priority just below all juniors.

Other

16. The Registrar’s Office has ultimate authority in determining a student’s official status.

17. Single-single, double-double swappings will be allowed at the beginning of each semester provided that, in the opinion of the housing chair, such trades do not overstep the priority list. However, all moves from a double to a single will still reduce the mover’s priority to the bottom of the last singles subsection of his or her class.

18. The housing chair has authority to bend any of these rules for special situations.