First-Year Experience:
During their first year on campus, students live in one of the traditional residence halls, where they have the opportunity to learn about themselves within the context of a larger community. Emphasis is placed on helping students learn about themselves and each other, campus resources, and how to live together responsibly in a wing or floor community. Most first year students have roommates to experience negotiating with another person about the shared living space. The learning objectives for first year students living in campus housing are:
• Students can articulate student life and residential life policies.
• Students can identify campus resources that can contribute to their education.
• Students will identify resources that can help them make informed decisions about their lifestyle choices and social situations.
• Students will actively participate in their living community, exercising independence and interdependence, under the guidance of their student staff member.
• Students will be exposed to a diverse community of their peers.