

Schuyler House Community Bulletin

June 2009

Welcome to Schuyler House!

Special points of interest:

- Schuyler House will have approximately 130 residents for the 2009–2010 academic year.
- The construction and layout of Schuyler House is unique. This is due to the fact that it was originally built and used as Cornell's infirmary.
- Questions about Schuyler? Feel free to email the Residence Manager for Schuyler, Laura Davis, at lbd37@cornell.edu.

Contents:

Welcome	1
Schuyler Facts	1
Meet the Staff	2
Transfer Student Support	2
Getting Involved	3
Open Doors, Open Hearts, Open Minds	3

On behalf of the Schuyler House staff, let me be the first to welcome you to your new home!

Schuyler House provides a unique opportunity to live on campus while also being conveniently located within a short walk of both Collegetown and Downtown Ithaca! You not only have the resources of Cornell at your fingertips but those of the city of Ithaca as well.

The Cornell Central Campus is about a 15–20 minute walk from Schuyler. There are also many bus routes that provide

More about Schuyler...

Schuyler House is a traditional style residence hall. There are single, double, and triple bedrooms on each floor with shared community bathrooms. There is also a laundry facility in the building and nearly every floor has a shared community



transportation to and from Central Campus and Schuyler House.

Just as Schuyler's location is unique, so is the community in general. Schuyler House will be the home for many transfers students as well as other upper-level undergraduate

kitchen .

Spread throughout Schuyler are several cozy study nooks and we have a designated quiet study room too. When you need a break from studying, you can go to the TV Lounge or the large TV and Recreation Room.

students and graduate students.

Living in Schuyler offers many opportunities for meeting interesting people, making good friends, and learning new things here at Cornell.

Ithaca's winters can be cold, but during beautiful fall and spring Schuyler has a great backyard area to study, relax, play volleyball, and enjoy a cook-out or two as well.

"Schuyler House offers students a great chance to expand upon their academic experience by creating a living atmosphere that encourages community, whether through the floor kitchens, numerous community programs, game lounges, and outings into Ithaca. The house also offers a location that encourages students to explore the rest of Ithaca outside of the Cornell campus."

~Justin Villere,
Schuyler Student
Staff '08-'09

Meet the Staff

Schuyler House has a Service Center and a staff of Resident Advisors (RA) to meet your needs and facilitate programs in the community. Our goal is to enhance the quality of your overall Cornell experience and support your academic work. More information about the different staff in Schuyler is listed below.

Resident Advisors (RAs)

RAs are veritable jacks-of-all-trades. They are resource and referral agents, counselors, educators, event planners, community builders, and just like you they are students. RAs are live-in student staff who have been trained in different types of counseling, various resources on campus, educational programming, and crisis management. There are 3 RAs and 1 Senior RA in Schuyler House. They, in conjunction with the entire Schuyler staff, are committed to creating a safe and productive community in which to reside. RAs are here to help you navigate Cornell and to make Schuyler an incredible place to live!

Residence Manager

The Schuyler House Residence Manager is a full-time, year-round employee at Cornell University. With a master's degree in Higher Education and Student Affairs, the Residence Manager has the knowledge and experience to help college students

through their experiences and help them to achieve success.

The Residence Manager is here for you when you need help beyond what RAs can do. They supervise the RAs and oversee everything that happens in the building. Through all of this they are committed to making the community a great place for everyone to live.

Service Center Assistants

The Schuyler House is fortunate to have its own Service Center in the building. It is staffed by both professional and student employees, who are here to help with many of the day-to-day services that come up. In addition to being the mail center for the building, you can pick up packages, report a maintenance concern, and obtain important information about Cornell and Ithaca at the Service Center.

Facilities Staff

Schuyler House has a wonderful facilities staff that maintains the common areas, bathrooms, and hallways of your floor and building. As a community we appreciate the work they do by respecting the physical space/building in which we live, and we do our part to keep the building clean. Get to know the facilities staff here in Schuyler—they are essential members of our community!

Transfer Student Support

Schuyler House is home to approximately 130 students, most of whom are transfer students here at Cornell.

As the Transfer Student Community, Schuyler House provides a great opportunity to meet other transfer students

who are going through the same thing as you! Just like you, most of the residents in Schuyler will be new to Cornell but also have some prior college experience.

We recognize that as a transfer student you

bring different experiences and thus have different needs than first-year or upperlevel continuing students. Throughout the year there will be many events and opportunities created especially for you.

With so many who are new to Cornell, this allows you to be part of a supportive environment where students can succeed and offer you the chance to build lifelong friendships.

Getting Involved!

Make the most of your experience in Schuyler and at Cornell



Cornell is about much more than what happens in the classroom. You will be spending many of your free hours in your home: Schuyler House. The Schuyler community is a place where we can come together to meet others, find time to relieve stress, and participate in events that build our social, leadership, and life skills. If you come to Cornell and Schuyler House with an open mind, positive attitude, and willingness to become involved, exciting things are sure to happen.

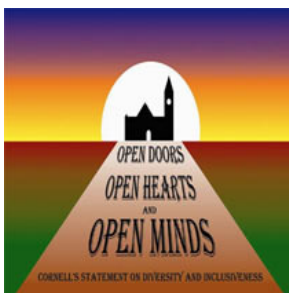
One of the best ways to feel like you are a part of the Cornell campus community is to get involved in it. Take advantage of the orientation activities and be introduced to the hundreds of clubs and organizations at Cornell. Find something that you enjoy and get active.

Also get involved at Schuyler House!!! Get to know your neighbor and the people living in the building. Most likely, you will meet someone here who will be a life-long friend.

Beyond getting to know people, get involved by planning things for your floor to do together. Your RAs will be doing this, but they always welcome help and want to offer events that you are interested in doing.



How quickly you meet people and make friends will depend largely on one thing – YOU! Leave your door open when you are home, say “hi” to people when you are walking down the hallway, help someone hang a poster, and watch TV with people in the TV Lounge. Take advantage of your RAs’ efforts to help you get to know each other. Most of all, get out there and meet others like you, looking for new friends.



Schuyler House wholeheartedly adopts Cornell’s statement on diversity and inclusiveness as reflected in “Open Doors, Open Hearts, and Open Minds.” An expectation of every resident in Schuyler is to promote a safe, welcoming, and respectful environment for all who work and live here.

College is a time to challenge long held views and values. It is a time to reflect on your attitudes and opinions, a time to look at the world through a new set of experiences and a different perspective. Take advantage of the wonderful opportunity, share of yourself, listen and understand others, celebrate all.

“Schuyler is a great place to live because it is a place where people from all over the country and all over the world become neighbors.”

~Tim Lunardon, Schuyler Service Center Assistant

See you in August!