



SUNY Fredonia Office of Residence Life

R.A. x Student Engagement Plan 2024-2025

The R.A. x Student Engagement Plan broadens the Resident Assistant's role in fostering student belonging beyond typical hall activities. It includes forming purposeful connections, planning programs for the residence hall community, and helping residents engage within the campus community. When students feel a strong sense of belonging, they are more likely to excel academically, personally, and professionally at the institution.

Resident Rendezvous

Students are scheduled to have individual meetings with their RA once per semester.

These one-on-one connections enable R.A.s to develop positive relationships with residents.

They will gain insight into the students' concerns and a better understanding of each student's unique experience at Fredonia.

R.A.s will share information from these meetings with their Residence Director.

R.A. Programming

R.A.s will be responsible for planning 4 programs each semester. These programs are those traditionally associated with the R.A. position.

R.A.s will plan one of each type of program: Academic Progression and Life Skills (APLS); Diversity Equity, Inclusion, Accessibility and Belonging (DEIAB); Community Building; and Campus Engagement.



Academic Progression & Life Skills (APLS)

Practical and educational programs that help prepare residents for life in and after Fredonia.

Examples: Tour of Reed Library, Mock interviews, Laundry how-to, Cooking class, Course registration primer, Community service project.



Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Accessibility & Belonging (DEIAB)

Thoughtful programs that inspire conversations around DEIAB topics. Fredonia is a diverse campus where students can learn from each other.

Examples: Documentary or educational movies and discussions, cultural holidays and celebrations, conversations around current events.



Community Building

Social programs centered around connection and inclusion. Tailored to meet the interests of the community.

Examples: Watching the Bills game, ping pong tournament, crafting projects, apple picking, karaoke, board games, etc.



Campus Engagement

Opportunities to engage in the larger campus community. R.A.s will take residents to programs happening around campus.

Examples: Campus performances, events hosted by campus organizations and RHA, Fredonia athletic events

Homecoming

Residence Life is excited to welcome back alumni, friends and family to Homecoming 2024, Friday 10/18 - Sunday, 10/20.

For more information regarding Homecoming Events, [go here.](#)

Residence Life is co-hosting a pep rally & Bon-FYRE event on Friday, 10/18 beginning at 7PM.

Family Weekend

Discover the best of Fredonia during the annual Family & Friends Weekend. Packed with events including a Kick-Off Party, Trivia, Club Maker Fair, Food Trucks, and Esports Club Games, there is something for everyone here at Fredonia!

Check out the full line up [here.](#)

Don't miss out on Residence Life's third annual Drag Show Bingo! Free of cost on Saturday, 9/29 at 7PM in the Williams Center MPR.

RHA Events

Residence Hall Association (RHA) is the governing body of the 10 Hall Councils at Fredonia. This group represents the collective interest of those who live on campus and plans fun and educational events for students who live on campus.

For more information and upcoming events, [go here.](#)

Students are encouraged to join their Residence Hall Council! Talk to your RA or RD during move in for more information.

F.Y.R.E

The First Year Residence Experience

The First Year Residential Experience (FYRE) program is designed to help this population of students engage in the campus community, connect with support services, and establish a sense of belonging that will encourage their continued success at Fredonia.

Best Nest Contest

8/22 - 9/5

Show off your residence hall room in this virtual contest! For more information, [go here!](#)

Labor Day BBQ

9/2 AT 1PM

Stick around campus for a Labor Day BBQ! Outdoor games and live music! [Add to your calendar!](#)

Volleyball & Sno-Cones

9/10 AT 5PM

Join us at the Chautauqua Hall volleyball court for some friendly competition and a free sno-cone!

Aerobics Night

9/19 AT 4PM

Check out this introductory-level [workout class](#) in the Williams Center MPR.

Instagram Sign

9/28 - 9/29

Participate in this new tradition be sure to take a photo at the big, blue FRED sign outside the William's Center. Tag us in your photo using the hashtag below.

#FYRE2024

Welcome Week

8/26 - 8/30

Hosted by the Spectrum Entertainment Board! For more information follow them on Instagram at @spectrumfredonia or check out the Fred Events Calendar

Activities Night

9/4 AT 6:30PM

Meet us at Dods Grove to see the showcase of Fredonia's 120+ student clubs and organizations. [Add to your calendar!](#)

Manhunt

9/31 AT 9:30PM

Are you up for an epic game of [nighttime tag](#)? Meet us at the Kasling/ Grissom loading dock!

Chalk Walk

9/17 AT 5PM

Help us transform the sidewalk from UC to the Science Center into a colorful canvas with your creative chalk art.

Midnight Breakfast

10/3 AT 10PM

Celebrate the half-way point of the semester with this delicious twist on the classic breakfast-for-dinner at Willy C's dining area.