# Residential Life Update

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### Overview

- General Benefits of On-Campus Living
- Select Programs and Services in NIU Residence Halls
- NIU Living-Learning Communities





## General Benefits of On-Campus Living

#### Positive Effects of Living on Campus\*

- Belonging
- Engagement
- Openness to diversity

#### Select National Survey of Student Engagement Data

- More first-year students living on campus reported high-quality interactions\*\* with other students than those living off campus
- In general, when compared to students living FARTHER THAN walking distance, living ON CAMPUS is associated with first year students' perceptions of the institution's emphasis on:
  - Providing opportunities to be involved socially
  - Providing support for their overall well-being
  - Attending campus activities and events
- On-campus first-year students work with faculty on activities outside of class more than those living farther than walking distance.



<sup>\*</sup>Center for Postsecondary Research, Indiana University School of Education

### Programs & Services in NIU Residence Halls

Nationally-Recognized Residential Curriculum

Tutoring Labs (<a href="http://www.niu.edu/access/">http://www.niu.edu/access/</a>)

- Grant Towers South
- New Residence Hall

**University Writing Center** 

Stevenson South

Residential Computer Labs

 Including a newly renovated, technology rich Grant South Study Lounge and Lab

Regionally and Nationally-Recognized Leadership Opportunities through RHA and NRHH



### NIU Living-Learning Communities

- ACES House: Academic and Career Exploratory Scholars
- Business Careers House
- Fine Arts House
- Foreign Language Residence
   Program
- Green Living Community
- Health Professions House
- Honors House
- Leadership and Service Community

- LGBTQA Community
- ROTC House
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Careers House
- Second Year Experience Community
- Teacher Education and Certification House
- Transfer House

