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MEET YOUR AREA STAFF
Get to know your community

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Spotlight on an exemplary community member.
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**Meet Your Campion Team**

Learn the stories and passions of YOUR Campion RA Team.

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Aaron Lee, one of the newest members of the team, shares his wish of Campion p. 20
Welcome to the "Camp Ground"! Campion has been my home for the past four years and I feel a bond and a kinship to the area. I have loved seeing so many students move into these hallowed walls and leave them as changed for the better.

This is all our building, our community, our home. We all share in this space from DAs, RAs, GRCs, ADs to our amazing Environmental Health and Safety team, we all have a stake in this community and owe to each other the debt of respect, care, and concern.

I encourage you to take pride in your community and to treat everyone in it with the utmost respect. I encourage you to practice great stewardship, taking time to keep our surroundings clean and fresh, reflecting the deep sense of pride so many of us feel living and growing here at the "Camp Ground". It's good to be in Campion!

“WELCOME TO THE CAMP GROUND!”

ABOUT SHERIE
Get to know Sherie, the Assistant Director (AD) overseeing the community.

WHAT ARE YOUR PRONOUNS?
I use she, her, hers pronouns.

WHEN YOU’RE NOT IN CAMPION, WHERE CAN WE FIND YOU?
I mentor a group of young professionals in the city. You can find me hanging out with them!

ONE THING FOLKS MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT YOU.
I've traveled to every continent except for Africa and Antarctica. One of those places is on my bucket list, hint- it's not Antarctica.

YOUR FAVORITE THING TO EAT
Anything plant based- nothing that had eyes.
"BUILDING COMMUNITY ONE CONNECTION AT A TIME"
MESSAGE FROM THE STUDENT LIFE STAFF

It’s Good to be in Campion!

by Sherie Gayle

Campion’s Student Life team is excited to serve you! It has been our mission to create a safe community where every member might experience and develop a sense of intimacy, acceptance, belonging, authenticity, care, and concern first for themselves and then for their neighbor(s).

Our team is dedicated to making this a reality by our commitment to getting to know you individually and collectively, hosting events to build community, supporting your mental and emotional well-being, and striving to hold ourselves to a high ethical and moral standard. This team is your team, committed to providing a variety of programming opportunities for group interaction and your individual development. We do this through numerous mechanisms and particularly through nurturing healthy partnerships with existing student and on-campus organizations and upholding and enforcing Loyola’s community values and standards.

Campion Motto

In 2018, the Campion team all agreed that this was our “Camp-ground” and “we’re different here”. This year, we are committed to “building community one interaction at a time”. We continue to operate by and own these words and encourage you to do the same since we believe “it’s good to be in Campion.”

Development Focus

Campion’s staff all develop programs and events geared towards building community, enhancing academic and scholastic pursuits, and cultivating genuine and healthy curiosity in and care for the lives of those who may not look, think, act, or experience the world as we do.

We’re happy to call you neighbor and wish you all the success in the world!

"We’re different here!"
While you may know the RAs who live on your floors, RAs are supervised directly by graduate students known as Graduate Resident Coordinators or GRCs. GRCs are graduate students at Loyola University who reside in and help to oversee the community. In Campion we have three GRCs, Nimi Amachree Briggs, Brittany Willis, and Ashlei Randolph. All the GRCs use she, her, hers pronouns.

Nimi is in the final years of her Doctorate of Psychology program here at Loyola. She is also completing her third year as a GRC in Campion. Brittany is in the Master of Clinical Counseling Program. This is Brittany's first year as a GRC. Ashlei is completing a Master's in School Counseling. Ashlei will complete her studies and graduate in May.

These are YOUR GRCs! Say hi to them when you see them around Campion.
BRIA THOMAS- SRA

Bria is the Senior Resident Assistant (SRA) for Campion Towers. Bria uses she, her, hers pronouns. As the SRA, Bria not only oversees the residents on the first floor, she also serves as a leader among the RAs by spearheading developmental efforts as well as acting as an additional support to the RAs in overseeing their floors! Bria also is a Guest Coordinator for the Society for Underrepresented Pre-Health Students and is a co-leader for the McChicken Project. Say hi to Bria whenever you see her around!
WHAT IS 'PURPLE'?

by Bria Thomas

It seems to be an easy enough question. You may have thought, "purple is a color" Then how would you describe purple? This is also easy to think about yet difficult to explain because our insightful and descriptive communication to one another is limited. There are only so many ways to describe "purple." One may say to think about the color of a grape. Well what is the color of grape? Purple? Violet? Dark Blueish Purple? It depends on the grape? This very example leads us back to the original question. As individuals, we can only view the world through one lens, our own lens. Thus, you will never be able to see purple through someone else's eyes. You may try to describe your lens to others but they will always view things through their own scope. Though, in some cases, the perception of different circumstances can be very similar, it will never be the same.

You can think of this simple example of color, as a metaphor for our perception of people and their stories, backgrounds, and even journeys. Pursuit of Wonder, a philosophy based entertainment channel, dives deep into this topic a little more, but they essentially explain that it is important to note that we can only try to understand one's stories through shared language, not language specific to one'self -- meaning that we can never know if anyone experiences anything the same way we experience it, even if everyone talks about it the same way. We can only assume! Trying to rationalize and understand a mental experience exactly the way one feels or thinks it is pretty difficult. We are all trapped in our minds trying to explain what is abstract: feeling, experiences and essential the color purple. In going forward, think about this concept. When you are meeting people and listening to their stories, note that your color purple looks different than theirs, and that is normal and okay.
CAMPION 2019-2020

MEET YOUR RAs

2ND - 9TH FLOORS
Emma Hagelin
Emma is in the class of 2021 and a communications major. Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She is an RA on the second floor of Campion. She is from a “few places.” She doesn’t really like wishes because they are suspicious and nothing is that easy to accomplish! Emma is studying abroad this semester.

Katie Erlandensen
Katie is a member of the class of 2021 and an accounting major! Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She’s from Pennsylvania and she is an RA on the second floor of Campion! Something that she lives by is ”go with the flow!” Katie is studying abroad this semester.
Hunter Buckley

Hunter is a management and info systems major and in the class of 2021! Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She is from Pennsylvania! She is an RA for Campion third floor. Her life's motto is also, “go with the flow.” Hunter is an RA on the 3rd floor.

Emily Cebulski

Emily is a statistics and finance double major and in class 2021! Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She is also an RA on the third floor Campion. She is from Pennsylvania and something that she lives by is “Do small things work great love! Emily is an RA on the 3rd floor.
Aaron Lee
Aaron Lee is a finance major and a member of the class of 2020! His pronouns are he, him, his. He is from New Jersey and he lives by "good vibes only." He is an RA on the fourth floor of Campion and if he had one wish it would be to be rich! Aaron is an RA on the 4th floor.

Michelle Trang
Michelle is a senior Biochemistry major with a Peace and Justice minor from Dallas, Texas. Michelle's pronouns are she, her, hers. She is the co-president of the Society for Underrepresented Pre-health Students and the director of operations for the McChicken Project. Contact Michelle if you're interested in learning more about these organizations. Michelle is an RA on the 4th floor.
Kierrah Harris

Kierrah is currently undeclared but is interested in international business and English! Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She is a part of the class of 2022 and she is an RA on the fifth floor of Campion. She is from Hartford, Connecticut and something that she lives by is "open up!" Kierrah is an RA on the 5th floor.

Dyanne Garibay

Dyanne is a senior majoring in Business Administration, specializing in International Business. Dyanne's preferred pronouns are she, her, hers. Dyanne has been accepted into the MBA program here at Loyola beginning next fall. Her parents are Juan and Jeny Garibay who raised her in St. Paul, MN after migrating from Mexico in 1992. Recently, discovered a new passion for rugby and founded the women's team here at Loyola along with her teammates. Dyanne is an RA on the 5th floor.
Sarah Barter

Sarah is a biopsychology major and in the class of 2021! Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She is an RA on the sixth floor of Campion but she’s from Hope Valley, Rhode Island! Something that she lives by is “always embrace who you are and never delete yourself for any person or any reason.” If Sarah had one wish it is that if everyone in the world would have an opportunity to feel safe and secure! Sarah is studying abroad this semester.

Corey "CJ" McPherson

Corey McPherson is an RA in Campion. He uses he, him, his pronouns. Corey is an RA on the 6th floor.
Marcus Mackenzie

Marcus is Junior majoring in Business Administration. Marcus uses he, him, his pronouns. Along with Meghan McNulty, Marcus heads of the Resident of the Month Selection Committee. Marcus is an RA on the 7th floor.

Meghan McNulty

Meghan is a sophomore majoring in Chemistry. Meghan uses she, her, hers pronouns. Along with Marcus McKenzie, Meghan heads up the Resident of the Month Selection Committee. Meghan is an RA on the 7th floor.
Joseph Doyle is an English major with the theater minor! His pronouns are he, him, his. He is in the class of 2021, and he is an RA for the eighth floor of Campion. He is from Long Island, New York. Something that he lives by is “anything you can laugh about you can overcome.” If Joseph had one wish he would wish for a world where no one is afraid to be themselves! Joseph is an RA on the 8th floor.

Camryn Williams

Camryn is a forensic studies major with a minor in both biology and peace and justice. Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She is a part of the class of 2022 and she is an RA on Campion’s fourth floor. Something that she lives by is work hard pays off. She’s from Bowie, Maryland and if she had one wish it would be “equity for all”. Camryn is an RA on the 8th floor.
Gracie Smith

Gracie Smith is a biopsychology major and in the class of 2021! Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She is an RA on the ninth floor of Campion, and she is also from Baltimore, Maryland! Something that she lives by is “Life is about the journey not the destination.” Gracie is an RA on the 9th floor.

Lakin Mathis

Lakin is a biopsychology major and in the class of 2022! Her pronouns are she, her, hers. She is an RA on the ninth floor of Campion, and she is from Maryland! Lakin is an RA on the 9th floor.
Oscar Rodas - Falla

Oscar is a junior and 2nd Year RA double majoring in Economics and History. Oscar's preferred pronouns are he, him, his. Oscar replaced Emma as one of the RAs on the second floor. He loves traveling, reading about history, hiking, and exploring nature. He is from the Bay Area, CA and studied abroad in Glasgow, Scotland. After graduating, Oscar plans to attend graduate school and hopes to become a high school teacher. Oscar is an RA on the 2nd floor.

Alseni Seck

Alseni is from New York City. His pronouns are he, him, his. He speaks French and loves to cook. Alseni is an RA on the 2nd floor.
Kira Lans

Kira is a senior from Miami, FL majoring in Biology and minoring in Innovation and Entrepreneurship. Kira replaced Sarah on the sixth floor. Kira uses she, her, hers pronouns and hopes to one day become a doctor. Her favorite things to do include watching Netflix, going to the gym, and eating food. She also loves getting to explore new places.
**YOUR CAMPION LEADERSHIP TEAM**

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First Encounters

What’s the first thing people notice about you when you walk into a room? For some people, the answer to that is simple. Maybe it’s your hair, your smile, or your eyes. Maybe it’s the way you’re dressed or the perfume you’re wearing. For others, though, thinking about how people notice their appearance is complicated and can even be anxiety-inducing. When I encounter strangers, for example, sometimes I think about my race and I wonder how people will respond. Will this person be disrespectful to me because I’m Black? Will they treat me differently than the people around me? These are thoughts that I have about how others interact with my appearance that go beyond whether or not they notice my smile, hair, or style of dress. This line of thinking can also be true for people who speak English as a second language, or those whose religious affiliation requires certain headgear (e.g. hijab or yamaka). These groups all may experience moments when they are worried about how strangers initially perceive them based on their cultural identity markers.

Gender Non-conformity

What about transgender* or non-binary** people? One of their key identity factors—gender—is important in their consideration of how others perceive them. Unlike race, religion, or language, gender for trans or non-binary people may not be a visible identity factor. Which means that often times, when trans and non-binary people encounter unfamiliar faces, they worry not only about how people perceive them but how they’ll have to present their gender. Usually, these individuals start by stating their pronouns (she/her/hers, he/him/his, they/them/their) so that people don’t make the wrong assumptions about their gender based on their appearance.

When trans and non-binary people have to speak up to a majority to state their pronouns, it can feel overwhelming. The added pressure can produce both anxiety and fear, sometimes causing the person to be silent about their pronouns because they don’t want to be singled-out or rejected.

What’s The Big Deal with Pronouns?

Written by Brittany Willis

Accommodation

This is where those of us who are not trans/non-binary (cisgender3) can step up and take initiative to make a space safer for our counterparts. By naming our pronouns, whether in a group or during a 1-on-1 introduction, we are normalizing the act of explicitly stating pronouns. When we normalize something, it makes that act or process less “weird” or unfamiliar to the group that we’re in or for society in general. The effect is that we help our communities be more inclusive for trans and non-binary individuals, making it easier for them to present an important aspect of their life—gender identity.

Stating our pronouns is an easy process for cisgender individuals. It can be as simple as, “Hi, my name is John and I use he/him/his pronouns. What’s your name?” Because we are not constantly worried about people making the wrong assumptions about our gender, stating our pronouns doesn’t feel isolating. It’s just an added step in introducing ourselves. When cisgender people state their pronouns, we are signaling that it’s not—or shouldn’t be—a big deal for anyone to name their pronouns. And when we use the correct pronouns for trans and non-binary individuals, we are showing that we respect that part of their humanity. Respect goes a long way in building a strong community.
Ennis Hobdy is a resident of the 7th floor in Campion! He has been chosen for resident of the month for a plethora of reason, but a few of the main ones being his academic prowess and will to be successful in the classroom, his participation in Loyola Club Basketball and lastly his ability to adjust to Loyola although he still lives in the Caribbean. Ennis is a economics major and continuously looks for ways to further his passion. Although a freshman, he is already interested in internships and learning more about how the business world works. Ennis also loves basketball and plays it often as he is a part of several clubs and intramural sports that surround this activity. Lastly, he is originally from the Caribbean, and although this may be a hard adjustment, Ennis constantly keeps a positive outlook on life and treats Baltimore as his second home! Ennis will receive a small gift from the leadership team, a feature spread in CKnowTe, and will be featured on Campion’s Community Board.
ENNIS HOBDY

RESIDENT OF THE MONTH JAN 2020