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BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

SMALL LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE MEETS BIG RESEARCH UNIVERSITY!

ENGAGE WITH THE LIBERAL ARTS

SOCIAL JUSTICE, GLOBAL CURIOSITY, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, CREATIVE EXPRESSION & FOREIGN LANGUAGE







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As you embark on your future academic journey, we're excited to introduce the extraordinary opportunities that await you within the RC.

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What you'll find in these pages:

ACADEMICS

RC MAJORS, MINORS, CLASSES, REQUIREMENTS, & MORE!

LANGUAGES

EXPLORE SEMI-IMMERSION LANGUAGE LEARNING!

STUDENT LIFE

OUR COMMUNITY IS VIBRANT. ENGAGING, & STUDENT-LED

HOME IN EQ

WHERE YOU'LL LIVE, LEARN, & GROW AS AN RC'ER



FAQ

ANSWERS TO ALL YOUR RC QUESTIONS!



If you have any questions, please reach out to the RC Admissions team at rcadmissions@umich.edu. We're happy to help!



















CADEMICS THE RC CURRICULUM



The educational mission of the LSA Residential College is to nurture intellectual curiosity, academic interests, and creative talents, empowering students to find their own voices and unite learning with action.

STUDYING WITH THE RC

As a degree-granting college, the RC also offers its own majors and minors, as shown below. This means students can choose to study an RC Major or any LSA Major!



RC MAJORS

- Arts & Ideas in the Humanities
- Creative Writing & Literature
- Drama
- Social Theory & Practice



RC MINORS

- Crime & Justice
- Drama
- Science, Technology, & Society

LIVE, STUDY, & GRADUATE WITH THE RC!

• Urban Studies

The RC offers over 60 unique classes every semester covering topics like the humanities, creative writing, environmental science, urban studies, studio arts, and more. Most RC classes enroll between 9-20 students, allowing for close connections with peers and faculty. RC students can also take any LSA class and pursue dual majors, dual degrees, or other academic enrichment such as internships, Honors theses, and study abroad!

NOT SURE WHERE TO START?
THE RC ADVISING TEAM IN EQ HELPS RC
STUDENTS WITH ALL THINGS ACADEMIC AND BEYOND!







RC PHOTOGRAPHY STUDENT

East Quadrangie Residential College

Students in the RC are also in LSA! **This means that all LSA requirements apply to our students.** However, we have just a few extra steps to make your college experience more fulfilling.

GRADUATE WITH THE RC

Every student at U-M takes classes, earns credits, and eventually declares a major before graduating. The various steps to graduation are referred to as "requirements." There are many ways to graduate from U-M, but for now, let's concentrate on the essentials. **Check out the 5 RC Requirements below** – look closely, some also fulfill LSA requirements!

Live in East Quad for 1 year

Complete an RC First-Year
Seminar

RC Semi-Immersion
Language Sequence

Take an RC Arts Practicum

Finished the above?

Elect 4 Additional
RC Classes for Distribution

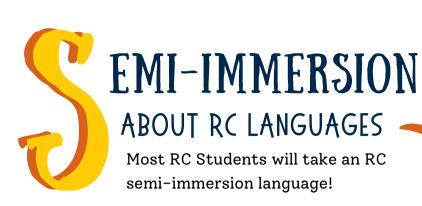
FULFILLS...

LSA's First-Year Writing
Requirement

LSA's Language Requirement

LSA's Creative Expression Requirement

> Graduate with the RC!





DIVE INTO LANGUAGE

RC Language courses, meeting twice daily, are taught exclusively in the target language.

Students learn grammar and vocabulary alongside speaking, listening, writing, and culture * =

C RC LANGUAGES

- Spanish
- German
- French
- Russian
- Japanese

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily RC Language Lunch Tables and Coffee Hours offer relaxed language practice. Go beyond the classroom to hone skills and build a vibrant community with peers of varying levels! RC Language programs also host cultural events, invite guest speakers, take field trips, and attend performances to enhance cultural insights and language learning.



POST-COLLEGE PERKS

Mastering another language comes with a toolkit of coveted abilities for employers! In the global job market, **linguistic prowess stands out and enhances any career path**. Many RC Language students study or live abroad, thanks to solid linguistic and cultural grounding. Annual RC scholarships support students using their language for internships or studying abroad.







WAYS TO ENGAGE RC STUDENT LIFE

Whatever your passions or interests, you'll find the place (and people!) for you.



RC FORUMS

Students in the RC can take 1-credit discussions called "forums."

These peer-led classes include topics like Health & Wellness, Diversity & Politics, and Film. Any student can start a forum and lead a class as early as their freshman year!





RC MAP PROGRAM

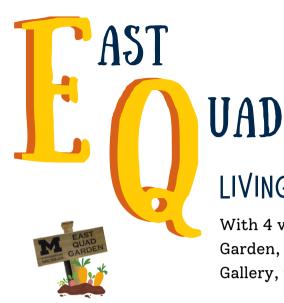
The RC MAP (Mentorship Among Peers) Program builds a supportive community by connecting first-year and upper-level students the summer before freshman year, promoting peer interactions through shared living, classes, and campus activities.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

RC community engagement programs connect students with communities off campus and explore learning outside the classroom. There are a variety of ways to engage: for class credit, as a volunteer, or by attending events. Check out the options below!

- Apply Spanish or French in an internship: Spanish Language Internship Program (SLIP), Freedom House Detroit
- Develop tutoring skills: Proyecto Avance, Latino Mentoring Association (PALMA)
- Use creative arts for collaboration and social-emotional growth:
- Prison Creative Arts Project (PCAP), Telling It
- Engage in compelling performances: Center for World
- Performance Studies (CWPS), Shakespeare in the Arb (SitA)
- Live, learn and work in Detroit: Semester in Detroit (SiD)







LIVING & LEARNING IN THE RC

With 4 visual arts studios, a Community Garden, the Keene Theater, and the RC Art Gallery, the RC is truly unique on campus!



CLASSROOMS, STUDIOS, DORMS & DINING

Live together with RC Students! Incoming RC'ers live in East Quad their first year with the rest of their class cohort. This makes it easy to meet peers, form friendships, and transition from home to college. Bonus? Classrooms, studios, music rooms AND the dining hall are just downstairs! 🗸

LECTURES, PERFORMANCES, & MORE!

Did you know? The Keene Theater is a full theater in the basement of EQ. The space is used for classes, rehearsals, world-class performers, dance troupes, and concerts! With performances in the Keene, events in the courtyard, and plenty of student gathering places, life in EQ is never boring.



ADVISING OFFICES

Advisors are just a few steps away! RC students receive Academic Advising on-site in EQ with an RC Advisor to assist in navigating major/minor paths, class schedules, and general academic concerns.









RC COHORT SIZE

Up to 250 students per year.

WHO CAN JOIN?

All LSA students are eligible! Incoming students are admitted on a first-come, first-served basis.

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

RC classes are small! Each one enrolls between 9-20 students.

WHERE DO RC'ERS LIVE?

First-year RC students live in East Quad (EQ) with their class cohort.

DO I HAVE TO MAJOR IN THE RC?

As an RC student, you can choose any RC or LSA major. Your academic path is up to you - we'll be there to cheer you on!

WHAT DO RC STUDENTS MAJOR IN?

Everything! Popular majors in recent years include Psychology, Sociology, International Studies, Computer Science and Creative Writing & Literature.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Indicate interest in the RC on the Common Application for LSA!

Contact us any time at rcadmissions@umich.edu.

CAN I BE IN UROP OR HONORS?

Yes! RC'ers can join Honors, CSP, or UROP - the RC will be your "home base" for advising, living in EQ, & community building with peers.

RC CLASS OF '23 GRADUATION STATS

98% earned a 3.0 GPA or higher 53% graduated with distinction 43% earned double majors 35% earned a BS degree 32% completed an Honors thesis

MORE QUESTIONS? WE'VE GOT ANSWERS!









