

RESIDENCE LIFE ADMINISTRATION

The Assistant Dean of Students and Residence Life, (second floor of the Kennedy Building) oversees housing operations and the overall department. The Assistant Director is responsible for the Residence Life program and supervision of all Para-Professional staff and the Hall Director. She/he is responsible for violations that take place within MassArt’s Residence Halls. The Assistant Director is located in the Artist Residence Hall. The Residence Directors (RD) office is located in Smith Hall. The Residence Director is responsible for the overall operation of a specific hall including programming, discipline within that hall, maintenance, counseling, advising, and staff supervision. Both the Assistant Director and the Residence Director are full-time live in professional positions.

Resident Assistants and Community Assistants (RA’s and CA’s) are full-time resident students who have successfully completed an extensive selection process and training. RA’s and CA’s are responsible for fostering a community atmosphere in the residence hall. They serve as counselors, advisors, facilitators of hall activities, and monitors of residential policies.

Residence Life Staff Directory

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RESIDENCE VIOLATIONS

The following behaviors constitute misconduct for which disciplinary sanctions may be imposed:

A) INTOLERANCE, PHYSICAL VIOLENCE, AND HARASSMENT

MassArt is composed of a variety of people with different sexual orientations, racial and cultural

backgrounds, and other unique qualities. Any act that is intolerant or disrespectful of others and can be interpreted to harm or distress a member of the community may be determined as a violation. Any behavior that victimizes an individual on the basis of race, ethnicity, religion, gender, disability, or sexual orientation is inappropriate and seriously detrimental to the community.

Acts of intolerance, physical violence, and/or harassment will not be tolerated and may be considered grounds for dismissal. While the term “physical violence” is commonly understood, the term harassment is not. Harassment is a form of violence. It is the invasion or violation of a person’s basic rights and may be racial, sexual, or personal in nature. It may be perpetrated orally or by notes, graffiti, telephone, or other means. Disciplinary action, including dismissal from housing, and if appropriate, civil action may result from any such incident.

B) ALCOHOL AND ILLEGAL DRUGS

1) ALCOHOL – SMITH HALL

Alcohol is **NOT** permitted in Smith Hall. This applies to residents as well as guests. If you are intoxicated while in Smith Hall, regardless of your age, your safety becomes the responsibility of the staff. Public Safety and Residence Life staff will not compromise your health and safety. You will be detained until a Public Safety Officer or a member of the Residence Life staff determines a course of action. Disciplinary action may take place in any one of the following situations:

- ⇒ Entering the building intoxicated or under the influence
- ⇒ Involving staff, and/or Administration during consumption of alcohol or use of illegal drugs in Smith Hall and/or on MassArt property.
- ⇒ Possessing, consuming and/or distributing alcohol or illegal drugs to anyone within Smith Hall.
- ⇒ Excessive consumption that involves an Administrative assessment and/or