

Hello, Class of 2024!

When I started my first year, I did not know what to expect whatsoever. I had a random roommate in Gibbons who was assigned to me the day before move in. My other friends had been talking and planning their first year with their roommates for the whole summer, while I came to UVA uncertain of whether I would be able to make the lifelong college friends we hear others talk about.

Within the first week, I became friends with my entire hall. Keep in mind that most first years are in a similar situation as you where they are in a new environment and are still adapting to it. While your experience may be different from mine due to the current pandemic, things will get better; you will have the support of your whole class to get through it. All of you are in the same boat, and I'm sure you all will not only get through it, but also come out stronger than any previous UVA class.

Keep your head up. The best 4 years of your life still lie ahead.

Sincerely,
A Friend from the Fourth Year Class
Class of 2021