

Interview #1 (Lingfeng Yang)

Interviewee: Jingwei Song, a forth-year international student from China

Q: How did you find your housing?

A: My friend recommended my current apartment to me.

Q: Your plan for next year housing? Why?

A: I'll be graduating this year. I'm going to grad school after graduation and I'm not sure which program I'll be going to. So I don't have a plan for housing for now.

Q: Do you prefer on campus housing or off campus housing? Why, if not considering e.g. financial backgrounds?

A: It's hard to say. With on-campus housing you get to eat in the dining halls and you usually don't have to walk far to the classrooms. But off campus housing there's usually much more space. So I don't have a preference I guess.

Q: Longest acceptable distance from home to campus?

A: I don't have a car so 20 mins by walking.

Q: Do you prefer living with students from the same country?

A: Yes, as we tend to have similar habits and schedules.

Q: Do you like living with people similar or different from you? Why?

A: Similar. I think there would tend to be fewer conflicts if you live with someone similar to you.

Q: Do you like living alone or living with others? Why(emotional/financial)? If latter, do you prefer actually sharing the same room with you? If true, what is the max number of roommates you prefer?

A: I like living with others because I like having friends around. But I prefer living in a room alone.

Q: What is the MOST important characteristic of housing location?

A: I would say distance to campus and safety.