**YOUR RESIDENT ASSISTANTS – YOUR CONFIDANTS, YOUR FIRST POINTS OF CALL**

Although a Resident Assistant is formally defined as *a trained peer leader who supervises those living in a* [*residence hall*](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dormitory) *or group housing facility,*Resident Assistants in AUN are different. For this reason, the R.A Council of AUN brings you an entirely new story, unique but tasty.

Your Resident Assistants are not some off-hand peer leaders who just occupy positions of authority in your residence halls. They are actually your confidants, your trustworthy friends.

Many freshmen havemade the mistake of confiding a bit too much in their roommates and course mates. Luckily, they have lived to tell the tale of how their account balance remained but zero naira, zero kobo. It is but with a stroke of luck that the Residence Life was able to recover the victim’s ATM card from the roommate’s purse. Beware, do not think the culprit is a female for even boyscarry purses these days.

It is therefore important that you, a resident should understand the functions of your Resident Assistants. They are there, mainly as liaisons between the Resident Directors/the Residence Life Staff and the students. They should therefore, be your first points of call if you lack toiletries,have maintenance reports or other complaints to make.

Need I say that your Resident Assistants are your role models? Feel free to meet them with issues bothering you as regards social life, academics, emotional issues, relationship drama or any other problemsyou may have. I can boldly tell you that your R.As are well experienced. They will direct you aright.

More importantly, if you are confused with the meaning of credit hours or you don’t exactly understand your course catalog, meet them; they will make it clearer than you ever imagined it would be. Your Resident Assistants have been in the system long enough to understand how it works. Your problems are solved once you talk to them.

More importantly, if there are cases of emergency (for example, if a student suddenly falls sick at midnight) please contact your Resident Assistants. They would always be there to lend a helping hand. Exchange contacts with your Resident Assistants. Know their phone numbers as well as their email addresses. They will always be there for you.

Do not hesitate to seek their help.

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