



Wednesday, November 13th, 2024

RHA sends 10 delegates to RLC at UMBC



NOVEMBER 8 - 10: The Maryland Residence Hall Association (RHA) sent ten delegates and an advisor to the Fall 2024 CAACURH Regional Leadership Conference (RLC).

The conference was held at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County for the first time ever. UMD delegates participated in leadership development activities, networked with peers, and engaged with other residence hall student leaders across the Mid-Atlantic region.

The theme was “All Aboard the Leadership,” drawing inspiration from Baltimore’s rich maritime history. For more information about the conference, go [here](#).

"It was an experience of a lifetime," said Saniyah Jean, RHA's National Communication Coordinator. "It was such a great bonding experience," added Michelle Ameyaw, RHA's vice president.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Terps!

We're almost in the homestretch! You got this! I'm so proud of our councils and Senators for their hard work this semester. We only have 1 (!) Senate left this fall - but it's a BIG one! We'll be going over fees for each of our committees. It is crucial that you attend (even if you are not a Senator) to give feedback on potential fee increases/decreases.



I also encourage anyone interested to check out our new mental health ad-hoc committee and/or the National Residence Hall Honorary. They are great opportunities to grow as student leaders!

I hope everyone enjoys their Thanksgiving recess and gets some well-deserved rest. Let's finish the fall semester off strong!

- *Samantha Briggs, RHA President*

Join RHA's NEW mental health committee!

RHA is excited to announce the formation of our new Mental Health AdHoc Committee. RHA constantly works to address the issues that residential students face. As mental health concerns and resources keep growing, it is the duty of RHA to oversee university-wide efforts focused on improving mental health. This is a one-year-long committee that is formed with the focus of creating community events, educational programs, and outreach efforts regarding mental health on campus.

Interested in joining? All RHA members are welcome to join regardless of your current role. Non-RHA members are also welcome, however, you will not have voting rights. We will be forming a Slack channel and adding those who indicate interest within the next week!

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Are you passionate about leadership? Service? Or recognition? Join the Jim Henson Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary at UMD! As a 'sister organization' of RHA, NRHH strives to give back to the campus community and help to maximize the residential experience.

The deadline for applications for the fall semester is closing soon! To learn more information or apply today, [click here](#). Any questions should be directed to NRHH Jim Henson Chapter president Erika Holdren (eholdren@terpmail.umd.edu).

Senate Summary (11/12/24)

- **Agenda**
- **APPROVED:** 10/29 Meeting Minutes
- **SPECIAL ORDER:** Student Fees Process Overview Presentation
- **PASSED (22-0-1) - RESOLUTION MAA002F:** A Resolution to Encourage RHA and Dining Services to Partner and Host a “Floats 4 Votes” Voter Registration Drive Once Every Year
- Executive Team + Committee Updates
- Resident Council Updates



Lexie L. received the "Senate Book" from Samuel N. for their strong participation at Senate.

Committee Corner

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC): works with the university's Department of Transportation Services (DOTS). *Committee Coordinator: VACANT*

- We are looking for a TAC coordinator! Interested? Reach out to marylandrha@umd.edu

Diversity and Inclusion Action Committee (DIACOM): works to ensure students feel safe and comfortable on campus. *Committee Coordinator: Selam Fesseha (sfesseha@terpmail.umd.edu)*

- We are continuing to plan for a Global Harvest event in mid-November. Stay tuned!

Sustainability Committee (SCOM): works on issues that concern the university's green initiatives. *Committee Coordinator: Emily Shoemaker (shoemak@terpmail.umd.edu)*

- We are working on the 2025-2026 sustainability fee! Stay tuned!

Dining Services Advisory Board (DSAB): works with the dining services directors to accommodate student's dining recommendations. *Committee Coordinator: Mikhail Labar (mulabar@terpmail.umd.edu)*

- There are now permanent board games at South Campus Dining Hall!
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Resident Life Advisory Team (ReLATE): works directly with the Department of Resident Life to understand the issues faced by the on-campus residents and solve them. *Committee Coordinator: Kevin Duru (kduru1@umd.edu)*

- We are working with ReFAB on the 2025-2026 housing fee!
- Join us for our biweekly meeting this upcoming Monday from 4-5 p.m. (2101 Annapolis Hall).

Resident Facilities Advisory Board (ReFAB): works with the structures and attributes that directly affect students living in the residence halls. *Committee Coordinator: Anya Olson (asolson@terpmail.umd.edu)*

- We discussed in-depth about heating in residence halls during the fall season.
- We are working with ReLATE on the 2025-2026 housing fee!

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Looking Ahead

- **Wednesday, November 13th** - Denton Hall 'Craft and Chill' (8 p.m. // Denton MPR)
- **Friday, November 15th** - NHAC 'Autumn Arts and Crafts Festival' (3:30 p.m. // Prince Frederick Lawn)
- **Wednesday, November 27th - Sunday, December 1st** - Thanksgiving Recess
- **Tuesday, December 3rd** - RHA Senate Meeting (7 p.m. // **Nanticoke Room** - STAMP Student Union)
 - "Fees" review Senate - we will discuss fees from each committee for the upcoming year!
- **Monday, December 9th** - last day of classes
- **Tuesday, December 17th** - last day of final exams/fall semester!

Photo Gallery

RHA Town Hall Fall 2024 & Regional Leadership Conference



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Have an on-campus idea, comment, or concern? Contact us or visit our website!



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