

COLLABORATION WITH CAMPUS PARTNERS

We recommend that residence life departments consider the following ideas when collaborating with campus partners to build community within residential environments. The purpose of these collaboration ideas is to promote student belonging and provide a more intimate co-curricular experience.

Leverage Staff Resources

Consider opportunities to combine resources between departments. This includes utilizing the expertise of campus partners.

What Resources Does the Partner Offer?

Assess your knowledge of the campus partner in order to effectively engage in conversation.

Identify the Challenge You Are Addressing

Consider avenues where you want to address the unique challenges in residential communities. Also consider what are barriers to collaborating with campus partners.



Align Efforts

Ensure that collaborative efforts are aligned with each departmental programmatic and/or student learning goals.

Student Centeredness

Engage in conversation to foster student centeredness and flexibility with campus partners.

Focus on Achieving Student Learning

Identify how your partnerships can improve student co-curricular learning and achievement.

Set Expectations

Articulate and set expectations with campus partners. Consider creating a memorandum of understanding.