The Pillars of Community sustain and uphold the mission and vision of Residence Life. As members of our community, we experience life at Mines as a place where all are empowered to learn and grow. We are committed to honoring each other’s identities and experiences. We value relationships by striving to see each others’ point of view, and even through conflict, we learn from one another. We show our commitment to our community by working to uphold these pillars:

Inclusion
Respect
Learning
Community
Responsibility

Dear Perspective Students and Families,

On behalf of all of us in Residence Life, allow me to welcome you to our home and say how thrilled we are that you are considering becoming a member of the Mines community.

The residential experience here at Mines will give you the foundation of a safe, comfortable, academically focused environment where you will learn where you live and have a little bit of fun, too. Our research shows that students who live on campus have a higher rate of persistence through Mines, higher grade point averages and are more satisfied overall with their college experience. The residence halls will offer you an opportunity to get to know your peers outside the classroom, learn from your fellow students, form bonds that will last a lifetime, and challenge you to learn and grow in ways that you never before imagined.

Residence Life works to uphold the pillars of Inclusion, Respect, Community, Learning and Responsibility in everything we do, from the events and opportunities planned in the halls by our Resident Assistants, to our signature programs, like the Theme Learning Communities.

We look forward to your continued exploration of Mines and of our Residence Life program and we look forward to you joining the Mines family as an Oredigger!

Sincerely,

Mary F. Elliott
Director of Residence Life

Parking and Campus Safety

Parking

There is currently no parking available for first year students on campus. For up-to-date information on the parking policy, visit the parking services website

http://inside.mines.edu/parking

First Year students with extenuating circumstances may apply for a permit. Campus parking policies are enforced year-round, including holidays, summers, and semester breaks when the school administration is open.

Resources

The Colorado School of Mines Police Department is a full service, community oriented law enforcement agency, providing 24/7 service to the campus.

It is the mission of the Colorado School of Mines Police Department to make the Mines campus the safest campus in Colorado.

Services to the community include proactive patrol of the campus and its facilities, crime and security awareness programs, consultation with campus departments for safety and security matters, and assistance in any medical, fire, or other emergency situation.

The police officers employed by the Department of Public Safety are fully trained police officers in accordance with the Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) Board and the Colorado Revised Statutes.

http://publicsafety.mines.edu
# Residence Hall Options

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Theme Learning Communities

Vision
The experience of living in a Theme Learning Community will accentuate your experience living in the residence halls. It will not add extra expectations or commitments but provide opportunities that you are always welcome to attend. Academics are a priority and we want to support your success in and outside of the classroom. The TLC experience is open to all first year students, and we welcome your application to be a part of this opportunity.

Goals
- To provide an educational experience, rather than academic
- To support the well-roundedness of students
- To further connect students to campus and the local community

Each community will partner with at least one Faculty Friend, various campus organizations and offices, and local businesses and non-profits to ensure a well-rounded experience with many opportunities for students to get involved and experience what Mines and Colorado have to offer. Each community will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of programming efforts on campus and in the local communities of Golden and Denver.

Adventure Leadership Community
Students involved with the Adventure Leadership Community receive the opportunity to participate in human-powered recreational activities in Colorado. This community partners with the Outdoor Recreation Center (ORC). All outdoor experiences are valuable as a member of this community. Potential activities include hiking, backpacking, river rafting, camping, spelunking/caving, rock climbing/bouldering, challenge courses, and skiing/snowboarding. Learn leadership skills though challenging yourself.

Athleticism and Wellness
Students involved in the Athleticism and Wellness TLC engage in a variety of activities and immersive programs that engage in physical activity, team sports, and wellness. Partnering with club and intramural sports, the BE WELL committee, local professional athletic teams, and the Department of Athletics, students in this community will have a variety of opportunities to remain physically and mentally fit while learning more about balance and holistic wellness while at Mines. The community is looking for students of all ability levels and interest levels in anything having to do with teamwork, athletics and well being. Potential activities include Mines athletic events, intramural or club sports teams, speakers on wellness and balance, yoga, nutrition, and learning about healthy behaviors and balance.

Oredigger Leadership Community
Students involved with the Oredigger Leadership Community have the opportunity to participate in professional and personal development activities that will focus on enhancing their leadership skills to become well-rounded engineers. Service, knowledge, well-being, communication, and mentorship are the five pillars of leadership for the community. Many activities will be planned for the entire community, and there will also be various personal and professional development opportunities geared towards supporting everyone’s experiences. Possible activities include service learning events, workshops on time management, financial planning, business etiquette, public speaking, self-advocacy, gender communication, and the media.
Visual and Performing Arts Community

Students involved with the Visual and Performing Arts Community engage the right side of their brain through a variety of art based programs. The VPA community partners with the Foothills Art Center and the yearly High Grade art publication, and includes attending local performances and workshops, and performing and creating in their own communities. This engagement not only broadens students’ horizons regarding the arts, it enhances the Mines community by providing additional opportunities for all Mines students to become engaged in the arts as well. This community welcomes artists of all art forms or patrons of the arts. Potential activities include performances at Denver Center for Performing Arts, on campus performers and speakers, student art and music showcases, Miner’s Alley Playhouse, and workshops in art, creative writing, and poetry.

Engineering Grand Challenges Community

Students living in the Engineering Grand Challenges Community are passionate about being engineers dedicated to problem-solving and working towards finding solutions to the largest engineering challenges the world has to offer. The National Academy of Engineering along with the world leaders in science identified 14 Grand Challenges for engineers to accomplish. This community will have access to labs on campus to participate in group projects and to faculty who are doing research in areas of solving the world’s issues. The EGC will also participate in workshops tackling specific challenges throughout the year concluding in presentations made at the senior design showcase in the spring, where no other first year students are able to participate.

Nucleus

Nucleus Scholars come from diverse backgrounds, experiences and places. This community is a small, tight-knit group of all genders who may share a common identity as the first person in their families to attend college. This community has the privilege of taking the best attributes of the other TLC communities and combining them to create one awesome community with a foundation of scholarship. Nucleus plays intramurals, engages in workshops for personal and professional skill building, time management, financial independence, as well as special group lectures from the Mines faculty that are designed especially for the Nucleus family. Nucleus scholars work diligently at their studies while coming home to a tight-knit community that is designed just like a family within the larger Mines community.

This group of scholars understands the benefits of utilizing the resources on campus to benefit their own scholarship and they act as a support network to one another.

Honors Explore

Explore students are those admitted to Mines First Year Honors Program. Members of this program have the opportunity to live in a tight-knit community with other honors members. These students explore the liberal arts within our STEM institution. Potential activities include book clubs, outdoor games, trips to Denver museums, art exhibits, and events, and discussions about social justice.
International Students

The International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS) serves approximately 850 international students from 77 countries who attend Mines.

Mines and Residence Life work hard to place international students in a comfortable, convenient, and safe environment. When making a transition to college living, the residence halls are an excellent way to experience American culture as well as other cultures from around the world. International students may live in any of the residence halls on campus. We want to make sure that international students adjust comfortably to their new environment.

All campus residence halls include complementary laundry facilities, wired and wireless internet, and TV steaming services. These halls include rooms that are equipped with a bed, desk, chair, wastebasket, recycling bin, and a closet or dresser for each student.

If you have questions about international student admissions, degree programs, billing, financial aid, or housing, information can be found online at their respective webpages. Please send other questions and comments about international student life at Mines to bsamter@mines.edu.

The ISSS business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (MST), Monday through Friday.

“The best part of living in the residence halls is being a part of a huge community. You get to meet all kinds of people by just hanging out in the hallway or cafeteria. You will form relationships that will carry you through your college career.”

- Jenny

With locations conveniently located on campus and flexible dining hours, Mines Dining is here to make sure you get great food and convenient, friendly service. Mines Dining on campus has plenty to offer with locations central to campus and dining hours ranging from 7:00am to 11:30pm. We are dedicated to serving the students’ dining needs, striving to meet even the most unique of eating habits across our wide variety of dining platforms.

We are happy to meet with you at any time to discuss any special dietary needs. Please visit our campus dining website at http://minesdining.sodexomyway.com.

To view menus, hours, and nutritional information.

Meal Plans

Students have multiple options to choose from to create the meal plan best suited for them. These options vary year-to-year in an effort to meet the students’ needs. Each plan provides the student with a combination of meal “swipes” and Munch Money. Refer to the campus dining website for information on the latest meal plan and dining updates.