



Hong International Hall

A Community of Language and Culture Houses

2011 - 2012 Application

This application is to be used by students who are **NEW** to HIH.

In these times, the Hong International Hall community creates a supportive home and a hopeful environment that challenges residents and the campus to become fluent in languages and conversant with international issues. Hong International Hall thus promotes global awareness through intentional language immersion and cultural engagement.

Hong International Hall (HIH) houses six international communities: one for each of the modern languages taught at PLU (Chinese, French, German, Norwegian and Spanish) and one for students pursuing PLU’s International Honors. All residents of HIH have the following eligibility requirements:

- Ongoing enrollment in coursework in the target language. Students with exceptional life experience and language fluency may be exempted.
- Commit to the community agreement regarding daily use of the house language in designated spaces.
- Active participation in House and Hall programs.

APPLICATION DIRECTIONS

1. All students applying for housing in HIH must also complete a standard PLU housing application.
2. All applicants must complete the application below.
3. For the first round of consideration, first year students applying for the 2011-2012 academic year must submit their application and questions to Residential Life by: 04/22/11, 5:00pm. Second round of consideration will closely follow. Applications for Spring 2012 must be submitted to Residential Life by: TBD.

Student Name _____ Student ID# _____

Contact E-mail _____ Contact Phone # _____

Applying to reside in (rank order all that apply):

Chinese _____ French _____ German _____ Norwegian _____ Spanish _____ Int’l Honors _____

Type your responses to the following questions and attach them to this application. Please limit your total response to 400 words or less.

- A) What interests you about residing in Hong?
- B) Describe how your interests and/or experience in international education and living amongst other cultures would affect your approach to living in community.
- C) Describe the extent of your education in the target language, as well as any other language / cultural education.
- D) Define your understanding of “community.” How have your experiences, interests, skills, etc. prepared you to participate in the HIH community?

HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS

Residential Life staff and Languages & Literature faculty will work together to make assignments to the Houses within HIH. Assignments will be made from the pool of eligible applicants and be based on available space, responses to the questions and references from current and former language instructors.

For additional information, contact the faculty/staff member listed below:

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