

RESIDENTIAL LIFE STAFF

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RESLIFE STAFF

The **Director of Residential Life** is responsible for the overall planning, organization, implementation, and supervision of all campus housing services and personnel, including budget development, orientation housing, and summer conferences.

Residence Directors (RDs) are full-time professional staff members. They live in the residential community they are assigned to and supervise the Resident Assistant staff. They oversee the day-to-day operations of a residential area and assume leadership responsibility for staff development, residential programming, operations, and student success.

Residence Life Coordinator (RLC) is a part-time professional staff member who lives in on-campus housing, assists with large-scale all-community programming, co-advise the Residence Hall Association, and supervises the mail room and front desk staff. In addition, they help the Associate Director with overseeing daily operations to meet educational objectives, build community, and serve as a university community standard & conduct hearing officers for student matters.

Resident Assistants (RAs) work to establish a safe and accepting environment for their residential community by offering support, information, and opportunities for education and entertainment throughout the year.

Student Assistants (SAs) are part-time student workers who help monitor the desk services' daily activities and operations in the residence halls.



DR. SHANNON COLEMAN DIRECTOR OF RESIDENTIAL LIFE

Meet Dr. Shannon Coleman, a seasoned professional with over 12 years of dedicated experience in Housing & Residence Life within the realm of higher education institutions. She holds an impressive academic background, having earned a Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies from the University of South Carolina Upstate in 2009, a Master of Science in Higher Education Student Affairs from Purdue University Global in 2012, and a Doctorate of Education in Leadership and Innovation from New York University in 2022.

Dr. Coleman's passion for Higher Education blossomed during her time as a student at USC Upstate, where she actively engaged in various student involvement and leadership roles. Fueled by her commitment to fostering student growth and development, she continuously strives to create enriching opportunities for student engagement and personal advancement.

Beyond her illustrious career in higher education, Dr. Coleman is also an accomplished entrepreneur and cookbook author, proudly owning Uniquely Unwrapped Desserts, LLC. She takes immense pleasure in the art of baking, with a particular fondness for crafting delectable cookies and cupcakes. Additionally, Dr. Coleman loves to explore new destinations with her friends, relish the culinary delights of different restaurants, and unwind by indulging in her favorite shows during her leisure time.

LIVE-IN PROFESSIONAL STAFF



MICHAEL MARTIN

RESIDENCE DIRECTOR - CEDAR HALL NORTH

Meet Michael Martin, a valued member of the JWU CLT (Johnson & Wales University Charlotte) team since the fall of 2017. Having graduated from JWU as an alumnus, Michael proudly hails from Virginia, cherishing their roots in the state.

Outside of their professional commitments, Michael has a couple of passions they hold dear. They find solace and joy in swimming, immersing themselves in the calming waters to relax and rejuvenate. Moreover, they have a strong interest in sign language, continuously expanding their knowledge and fluency in this expressive form of communication.

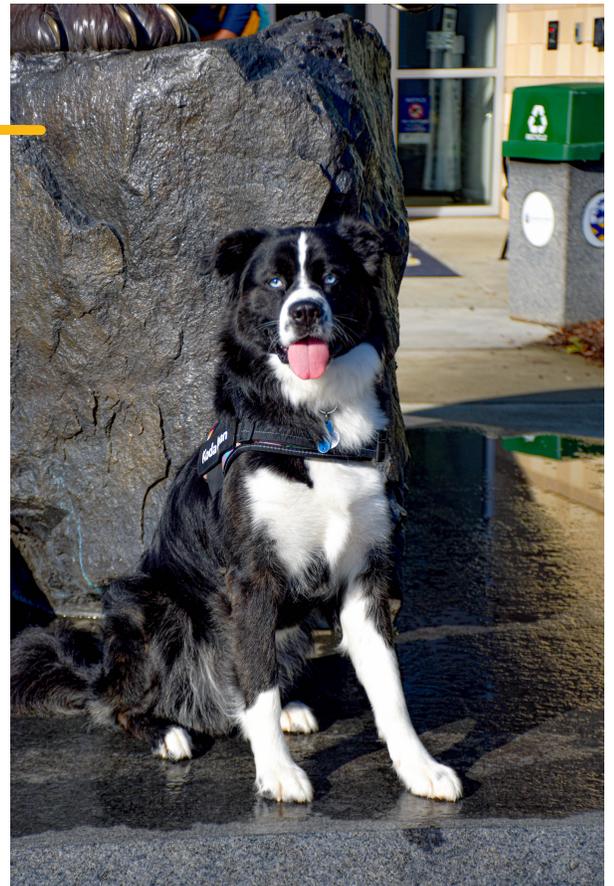
When it comes to leisure time, Michael loves to bond with friends over watching Drag race, relishing the excitement and artistry of the show together. Attending concerts is another activity that brings Michael great delight, enjoying the live music and vibrant atmosphere.

If you ever want to connect with Michael, don't hesitate to visit their office in Cedar Hall North. They are always open to meeting new people and engaging in meaningful conversations.

KODA HONORARY RA - CEDAR HALL NORTH

Meet Koda Bean, a pandemic pup that joined RD Michael's family in the beginning of 2020. Koda has lived all of his life on the JWU Charlotte Campus and enjoys spending most of his time in the Residence Hall Quad, going for car rides around Charlotte or hanging out with residents in the Lobby of Cedar Hall North on "Furry Friend Fridays"

Koda is a Border Collie Huskey mix and is super friendly and loves attention. Fun fact Koda doesn't bark but he will whine if he is left alone or sad.



LIVE-IN PROFESSIONAL STAFF



KELSEY AKINS

RESIDENCE DIRECTOR - CEDAR HALL SOUTH

Meet Kelsey Akins, an accomplished and ambitious individual who recently graduated from North Carolina Central University (NCCU). She joins us as our new Residence Director.

Throughout her academic journey, Kelsey has consistently demonstrated a commitment to making a positive impact on her community through her academic pursuits and extracurricular activities. Kelsey earned her bachelor's degree in public health education from NCCU, where she excelled in her studies and actively participated in various health-related projects and initiatives. After completing her undergraduate studies, Kelsey pursued her passion for public service and decided to further her education by obtaining a master's degree in public administration. This advanced degree equipped her with the essential skills and knowledge to effectively lead and manage public programs, fostering a deeper understanding of policy analysis, budgeting, and organizational management.

Throughout her academic journey, Kelsey has demonstrated exceptional leadership abilities and a collaborative spirit. She actively sought opportunities to engage with her peers, faculty, and local organizations, building a strong network within the public health and public administration sectors. Her relentless drive and commitment make her a rising star in the field, poised to create a lasting impact on the well-being of individuals and communities at Johnson and Wales University.

TY'QUISHA BULLOCK

RESIDENTIAL LIFE COORDINATOR

Meet Ty, a proud alumnus of JWU (Johnson & Wales University), having graduated in the class of 2016. Hailing from North Carolina, she embraces her roots as a native of the state.

Ty finds joy in the world of random crafting, letting her creativity flow into various artistic endeavors. She has an ear for music, finding solace and inspiration in the melodies surrounding her.

With an insatiable thirst for knowledge, Ty always seeks new and interesting things to learn. If you have any intriguing fun facts to share, don't hesitate to visit her at the Cedar Hall Mail Room, located behind Cedar Hall South's front desk. Ty is always open to engaging in conversations and discovering fascinating insights.



CEDAR HALL NORTH

FIRST- YEAR RESIDENCE HALL



Meet the RAs





ANITE AUGUSTIN

1ST FLOOR

This is Nite, they are a 2nd year majoring in Baking and Pastry Arts and Applied Food Science. Nite is originally from Miami, Florida. Nite's favorite thing to do is watch anime, crochet, and sleep. Nite loves to eat at the boba shop, Koala Boba, near the Gateway building.

DELANIE COUNCIL

2ND FLOOR

Delanie is from Tampa FL and is entering her senior year here at JWU. She is studying Food & Beverage industry Management and has a degree in Baking & Pastry Arts. Her dream is to one day own a chain of cafés.



MICAIAH SMITH

2ND FLOOR

Micaiah Smith is a sophomore from Brooklyn, New York. She is currently pursuing her bachelor's degree in Baking and Pastry Arts/Food and Beverage Entrepreneurship; as she aspires to open up her own bakery. Micaiah is a member of the Divine Delta Phi Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. She enjoys conversing with her fellow peers, feel free to say hello in passing!

KACIE DELAUGHTER

3RD FLOOR

Kacie is from Las Vegas, NV. She is a senior majoring in Food and Beverage Entrepreneurship. She enjoys hiking, kayaking, and running. After graduating Kacie will be going back to school to get her Master's of Business Administration with a concentration in Data Analytics. This year she hopes to continue to make a difference in the campus community!



RESIDENT ASSISTANTS



CAMDEN MISENHEIMER

3RD FLOOR

Meet RA Cam. Cam is from Charlotte, North Carolina, and is a Sophomore at JWU and will be graduating in 2026. Cam is a Sports Entertainment and Event Management major. Cam is also a member of the cross country team.

ASHANTIA THOMPSON

4TH FLOOR

Ashantia is a senior, she is majoring in Food and Beverage Entrepreneurship. Ashantia favorite things to do is to help people, shop online, and try new restaurants. Her hometown is Charleston, South Carolina. Ashantia is an open book.

Never be afraid to ask her any questions you may have. Ashantia is a second-year resident assistant, she is located in Cedar Hall North.



DANIEL REID

4TH FLOOR

Meet Uncle Daniel. Daniel is a second-year Food & Beverage Management major. Daniel is from Greensboro NC and is a big fan of naps.

HOPAL RICHARDS

4TH FLOOR

Hopal is a senior from St. Andrew, Jamaica. She is pursuing Culinary and Food and Beverage Industry Management. She is the Student Body President and Caribbean Student Society President. Hopal enjoys playing golf, trying new foods, rewatching old series from the 2000s, and making Tik toks.



RESIDENT ASSISTANTS

CEDAR HALL SOUTH

UPPERCLASSMEN RESIDENCE HALL



Meet the RAs





CHARRIE ASHONTE EILAND

1ST FLOOR

Ashontè is From Buffalo, New York. She is a Junior Here at Johnson and Wales University majoring in Business Administration with a minor in Psychology. She also is a member Of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated. Ashontè Enjoys meeting new people and Networking and her long-term goal is to be in Real Estate.

RUBEN ARMENTA

2ND FLOOR

Rubén is majoring in Culinary Arts and Food Science. His favorite thing to do is staying active and play video games.

He enjoys learning new and interesting things.



ZOE RICE

2ND FLOOR

Zoë Rice is a 4th-year Culinary Arts Major. She is 21 years old and was born in Columbia, South Carolina. Her goal is to own multiple food franchises and travel the world. Her plan after college is to continue working and build her career in the restaurant industry.

ADRIAN ROGERS

3RD FLOOR

Adrian is a food science major who is in their sophomore year. He is from Lafayette Indiana and has worked in the restaurant industry for 5 years. In his free time, Adrian goes for walks or plays games in his room.



RESIDENT ASSISTANTS



MICAH SULLIVAN

3RD FLOOR

Micah is a Greenville, South Carolina native. This is Micah's second year as an RA and her last year at Johnson & Wales University as a Food & Beverage Entrepreneurship major.

GIANNA MARLOW

3RD FLOOR

Meet RA Gianna, she is from Alpharetta, Georgia, and a psychology major. Gianna is in her senior year and is the president of Active Minds club. Her favorite color is yellow and she has a cat named Nugget.



ARRIANNA EBERT

4TH FLOOR

This is RA Arri. She is from Greensboro, NC. She is a junior at JWU studying Applied Food Science. Arri's favorite things to do are try new restaurants and recipes in her free time.

CHELA DAVIS

4TH FLOOR

Chela is from Hampton, Virginia. She is majoring in Media & Communications and minoring in Food Studies. Chela is in her senior year at JWU and she is also Senior Class President. Chela's favorite thing to do is listen to music and try new foods.



RESIDENT ASSISTANTS

DOUBLE TREE

OVERFLOW MIXED HOUSING



Meet the RAs

JAYLA PUGH
4TH FLOOR

Jayla is from Chicago, Illinois and has been living in Charlotte for three years now. She is a junior majoring in Sports & Entertainment with hopes of one day working for the New York Nicks. Her favorite pastimes include eating, shopping, and anything crafty.



STUDENT ASSISTANTS

ALIJAH JAMISON STUDENT ASSISTANT

Alijah is a Senior Business Administration major from Sumter, South Carolina. He serves as the Student Body Vice President. Alijah Enjoys being a voice for the student body and being involved on campus. If you see him around, don't hesitate to say Hello.



DESTINEE ALFORD STUDENT ASSISTANT

Destinee is a Senior Food & Beverage Entrepreneurship major from High Point, North Carolina. She enjoys performing with the JWU Sapphire cheer team and has served as the team captain for the past 2 years



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