The East Wheelock Community

The East Wheelock Program is an intellectually vibrant and culturally diverse residential community that expands the educational experience beyond the classroom. Through enhanced interaction among students, faculty, staff, and a wide range of visiting scholars, artists, performers, and public figures, the program prepares students for life-long learning and responsible global citizenship.

309 students reside in the 4 distinct East Wheelock buildings: Morton, Zimmerman, Andres, and McCulloch. East Wheelock is unique among Dartmouth residential clusters in having a Faculty Director and a Dean with an office in the cluster. The Faculty Director resides at 13 East Wheelock Street and is responsible for a broad array of activities for students in the cluster.

The Faculty Director organizes and hosts meals and discussions with prominent national scholars and artists as well as other programs. The Faculty Director also enlists members of the faculty to serve as guests at programs in order to enhance the student-faculty interactions outside of the classroom.

A Dean provides academic and personal advising to the first-year students in East Wheelock.

Another cluster resource is a Community Director who is an Office of Residential Life live-in professional staff member. The Community Director oversees the coordination of all programming that occurs in the cluster, is the direct supervisor to the Undergraduate Advisors, and is the Office of Residential Life liaison in charge of helping students resolve problems they may experience while living at Dartmouth.

The First-Year Experience

This unique living arrangement ensures that the academic and social transition from high school to college occurs in ways that permit first-year students to take advantage of Dartmouth’s extraordinary academic resources—especially faculty—and to attain their highest levels of achievement.

The East Wheelock Cluster provides a place on campus where communities of scholars discover common intellectual purpose and ideals. It creates new kinds of relationships between students and faculty that extend the possibilities for intellectual discourse beyond the walls of individual classrooms and faculty offices.
Cluster Programs

Since the inception of the East Wheelock Cluster Program, residents have been able to participate in a wide variety of programs featuring prominent thinkers, speakers and performers, including:

- Dinner with Mira Nair, director of “The Name-sake” and other films
- Brunch with jazz legend Sonny Rollins
- Dinner with composer Philip Glass
- Breakfast with writer Calvin Trillin
- Breakfast with cartoonist Roz Chast
- Dinner with artist Frank Stella
- Dinner with former President of Ireland Mary Robinson
- Dinner with Nobel Laureate Thomas Cech
- Tea with Dartmouth President Jim Yong Kim

These are but a few examples of events at the Faculty Director’s house in which cluster guests have taken part in recent years. In addition, East Wheelock residents enjoy events in Brace Commons, McCulloch Lounge, and elsewhere in the Cluster, such as Tea with the Dean, East Wheelock Town Meetings, Poker with the Profs, student talent shows, community dinners and career workshops. Two student-run organizations, the Cluster Council and the Service Corps, provide additional opportunities for the Cluster residents and other Dartmouth students to broaden their learning experience outside of the formal classroom.

Applying to East Wheelock

Incoming first-year students indicate their preference for the East Wheelock cluster on the Housing Application. Approximately 150 first-year students will be selected to create a community made up of both new Dartmouth students and returning upper-class students. If you wish to receive move information, please contact us.

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"East Wheelock creates a unique forum for discussion and social activity, most notably the best alternative (non-alcoholic) social events on campus. There’s a vitality to the EW community—it’s artistic, highly social, and nothing like the regular Dartmouth fare.”

- Teagan Daly ’13

"Some of my most interesting conversations during my first year at Dartmouth took place either at the White House or after Town Meetings, when I could talk to faculty directly and candidly."

- Nicholas Parillo ’15