

Residence Life Team 2025/2026

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Arthur V. Mauro Residence



Emma Futros Resident Advisor: 1st Floor

Hey everyone! My name is Emma Futros, and I will be the RA on the 1st floor of AVM. I am currently in my second year, and I am majoring in Sociology and minoring in Psychology. I am Métis and Ukrainian, and I am attempting to learn both languages. But all I seem to learn is swear words from my Dad! I am from a small town called St Laurent, which is one of the largest Métis communities in Manitoba. I am also a twin, I am older by a minute a half, and as my brother will probably tell you, I never left him forget. My hobbies include reading, binging Netflix, baking, and cooking, as well as anything to do with music. I have played multiple instruments over the years, but my favourite has been the fiddle (also known as a violin). I am looking forward to the coming year, and I am excited to get to know everyone and have an amazing year!

Kaylah Nyambu Returning Resident Advisor: 2nd Floor

Hey everyone:) My name is Kaylah and I'll be the 4th floor Returning Resident Advisor in AVM this year! I'm originally from Kenya born and raised, and I'm in the faculty of science going into my third-year majoring in Psychology. In my free time I like to watch documentaries (especially true crime), binge movies and TV shows (reality tv is where it's at!!!), swim, sleep, and bake etc. Fun fact about me I laugh a lot and very loudly so if you hear someone laughing in the elevators it's probably me. I also really enjoy listening to music my all-time favourite genres are Gospel, RnB (specifically 80s, 90, and early 2000s) Afrobeats, Amapiano and Pop. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you let's make this year a memorable one! Piece of advice going into this academic year, don't sweat the small stuff and stay hydrated kids!





Zachary Hosterman Resident Advisor: 3rd Floor

Hey Guys! My name's Zach and I'll be the Resident Advisor for the second-floor of AVM this year! I'm from Minnesota and am currently going into my second year of university in the Earth Science program with a focus on geology and oceanography. In my free time I'm big on hiking, gardening, and rock climbing. Feel free to reach out or swing by my room if you have any questions or want to chat; Looking forward to a good year!

Michael Orodo Resident Advisor: 4th Floor

My name is Michael and I'll be the AVM Third Floor RA for the 2025/2026 school year. I'm from Nigeria and I moved to Canada for school a little over three years ago, and I have lived and worked on within the residence community for the past two years; so, you could say I know the ins and outs of living on campus! I'm in my final year of the Economics & Econometrics Honours Program and will be graduating next June (hopefully). I enjoy working out, playing badminton, tennis and pickle ball, oh I also love sewing. I'm looking forward to meeting all the new and returning residents and excited about all the fun events I and other RA's have planned over the school year. Can't wait to meet and get to know y'all (Insert happy face emoji).





Sophie Dexter Senior Resident Advisor: 5th Floor

Hi floor five! My name is Sophie and I am excited to be the Senior Resident Advisor for AVM this year:) I am currently in my last year of my undergrad degree in the Honours Psychology program, and my goal is to become a clinical psychologist. In my spare time I love to read, go to concerts, play board games, and go for walks (weather permitting!). Some of my favourite memories in university have been from taking part in residence life activities, so I encourage everyone in residence to participate and make the most of their time here! Feel free to reach out if you are having any issues in residence and I'll be happy to help whenever I'm able. I'm looking forward to meeting all of you, so say hi if you see me around!

Eve Thu International Resident Advisor: 6th Floor

Hi everyone! My name is Eve Thu, and I'm from Myanmar. I'm currently in my third year studying Electrical Engineering. In my free time, I enjoy cooking, listening to music, and unwinding with lighthearted shows, so you might hear a good playlist or smell something tasty coming from my room! I'm really excited to be your International Resident Advisor this year! I'm looking forward to meeting all of you and building a supportive, welcoming community together. You can find me on the 6th floor of AVM, feel free to reach out if you ever need help!



Pembina Hall Residence (PHR)

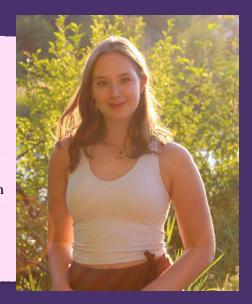


Mavis Pederson Resident Advisor: 4th Floor

Hey everyone! My name is Mavis, I am a second year student in the School of Arts, with an unofficial minor in film studies. I am so happy to be perusing my hobbies in an academic setting, I have a passion for visual arts, film, and other hobbies including cooking, the outdoors and karaoke! I had an amazing time in residence last year and can't wait to help cultivate this growing residence community! I'm excited to meet you all, always here to help!

Paige Leonardo Returning Resident Advisor: 5th Floor

Hey there! I'm Paige your 5th floor Returning Residence Advisor in Pembina Hall! Welcome to the U of M and I'm so excited to meet everyone for the 2025-26 Academic Year! I study Psychology, Biology, and Philosophy and I also love being outdoors, reading, music, and watching shows (My favorite shows to rant about are Gossip Girl, Twilight, and the Office)! In addition to my time as a Residence Advisor, I'm a Research Assistant and am also apart of Alpha Phi Sorority. College is extremely difficult (TRUST me I've been there), especially in your first year so never hesitate to reach out for help or just to chat. You're never far away from support! Good luck this year, and I'll see y'all around;)



Rodrigo Aguilar Resident Advisor: 6th Floor

Hi everyone! My name is Rodrigo Licea. I will be your RA in Pembina on the 6th floor for the following terms. I'm from Mexico, and I love sharing my culture. I love the food of my country, but I'm especially a fan of the enchiladas and rice that my mom prepares. I am also a soccer fan. My team since kid is the Chivas de Guadalajara, but in Europe, my team will always be Real Madrid. As far as academics are concerned, I am planning to study business, although I am still deciding between Business Analytics or Finance and Accounting. In general, I consider myself to be a sociable person. I enjoy meeting and being with new people. My goal as your RA is to help make our floor a welcoming, safe, and fun place to live. I know that adjusting to a new environment isn't always easy; I've been there! But I'm happy to share advice and help however I can. Anyway, if you want to play soccer or some video games, just knock on my door. I'm always down!



Frida Gonzalez Resident Advisor: 7th Floor

My name is Zoe, and I'll be the 7th floor RA in Pembina Hall this year, Fun fact: my best friend Pats used to live on this floor, but she left me for Spain #ExchangeStudent (still emotionally recovering, send thoughts and prayers). I'm from Mexico and I'm basically powered by music, trü frü (those chocolate covered berries) and way too much emotional attachment to the NFL, GO NINERS!! I'm studying business and totally love hitting the gym, painting, sunsets at the beach, traveling, skiing, and maaaany other things. I'm super sentimental, even if my resting face makes it seem otherwise. EVERYONE, really everyoneee is welcome to talk to me. Moving away from home can be hard so if you ever feel homesick, need advice, or just want to rant about life, I GOTCHA. <3

Nariah Pride Resident Advisor: 8th Floor

Hi! My name is Nariah Pride, and I am glad to be one of your Residence Advisors this year at Pembina Hall Residence. I'm currently in my second year of studies in pursuit of a bachelor's in environmental design. I am originally from The Bahamas, so I know what it is like to move far from home and having to adjust to the new environment. As your RA, I am here to help make Pembina a supportive, inclusive, and welcoming space for everyone. Whether you need help navigating campus, want to get involved in events, or just need someone to talk to, I am always happy to help. In my spare time, I love painting, making jewelry, and crocheting, which are all creative outlets that help me relax and stay inspired. I am always up for chatting about art, design, or even sharing a craft project. Feel free to stop by and say hi. I am looking forward to getting to know you and making this year at Pembina Hall an amazing one!





Adedolapo Osinloye Returning Resident Advisor: 9th Floor

Hey guys! My name is Dolapo. I am the RA for 9th floor in Pembina Hall Residence this year. I am a Nigerian and I have lived most of my life in Lagos, Nigeria. I am pursuing a career in nursing to be a Nurse Anesthetist; I am currently in nursing school right now. I enjoy hanging out with my friends and playing volleyball- if you are into volleyball, you can reach out to me. I am currently trying to improve in photography; I love taking pictures of anything that looks appealing. In my free time I go to the gym, listen to music and I am trying to start reading like I used to. I enjoy learning about people and their cultures and sharing my culture with people. If you have any problems adjusting to residence life or just in general, feel free to reach out to me and I would love to help in the best way that I can. I can't wait to meet you all!!!



Daulet Izbergen Resident Advisor: 10th Floor

Greetings! I'm Daulet, a second-year student studying Computer Engineering (originally from Kazakhstan) and your new Residence Advisor on the 10th floor of Pembina Hall Residence. I am so excited and can't wait to make unforgettable memories, forge new friendships, and help build a strong community. I have many hobbies, such as working out, playing guitar and video games, reading books, pencil drawing, and tinkering with Arduino UNO projects. I'm also a mental arithmetician (can solve math problems in my head without a calculator), and I've been practicing it for 11 years. Simply, math is my life. If you are willing to learn it, just let me know! I also love history and museums, and I'm passionate about nature and travel. I have a dream to explore Canada's wilderness and stargaze through my own telescope. I am here not just as an RA, but as a friend and someone who you can rely on. It's always a pleasure for me to help, so please, don't hesitate to reach out. Let's make this year full of joy and unforgettable memories. Wish you all the best!:)

Mackaila Bruce-Tapley Indigenous Resident Advisor: 11th Floor

Taanshi! My name is Mackaila Bruce-Tapley, and my spiritual name is Lightning Bear Eagle Woman. I'm a proud member of the Red River Métis Nation, with roots in St. Laurent, Manitoba. I'm heading into my second year of Health Sciences at the University of Manitoba. I love staying active—especially through intramural hockey—and I'm always looking for ways to stay connected to both my culture and community. My Indigenous identity is a big part of who I am. I've been a Sundancer since I was 12 and have learned from Elders, family, and knowledge keepers about the seven sacred teachings, the medicine wheel, and the sacredness of Nibi (water). These teachings guide how I show up for others—with balance, care, and respect. I'm also deeply involved in community initiatives. For the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, I've led projects like making orange shirt pins, helping write a land acknowledgment, and curating an educational art exhibit. I recently shared my story with students at a French-language school in Winnipeg. I'm so excited to be your Indigenous Residence Advisor on the 11th floor of Pembina Hall and can't wait to support you—both as a student and as an Indigenous person finding your voice and balance.





Taiwo Durojaiye Resident Advisor: 12th Floor

Hey everyone! My name is Tai, and I'll be the 12th floor RA for Pembina Hall Residence this school year. I'm from Abuja, Nigeria, and I'm going into my third year of Health Studies with a concentration in Health Policy, Planning, and Evaluation in the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences (Interdisciplinary Health Program). When I'm not buried in schoolwork, I love watching movies, listening to music (especially R&B — Afro and French R&B are so underrated!), going for nature walks, hanging out with friends, doing spontaneous things, playing volleyball, and of course, sleeping. I'm a big music fan, so feel free to share your favorite songs or ask me for recommendations anytime! I get told I have a "RBF," but I promise I'm nice. Don't be afraid to say hi! Feel free to reach out if you ever have questions or just want to chat—I'm always happy to connect. I'm excited to meet you all!



Vida Dana Senior Resident Advisor: 13th Floor

Hey it's Vida, I'll be your SRA for Pembina Hall this year! I'm in my 3rd year studying Microbiology as a premed student. I'm Persian, with a love for good food, strong tea, and conversations. I enjoy everything outdoors, psychological films, and having volleyball matches with friends as a pass-time. Living in dorms has given me countless, unforgettable memories and I look forward to bringing that experience to you.

Mary Speechly Hall (MSH)



Amir Ferdosi Senior Resident Advisor: 2nd Floor

Hey there! I'm Amir, your Senior Resident Advisor on the second floor of Mary Speechly for the 2025/26 academic year. I'm originally Persian but I grew up in Dubai, UAE, and I'm studying Computer Science here at the U of M. And yes, I shower. Promise. When I'm not busy with school, I'm usually gaming, coding for fun, or trying new things in the gym. I'm really into fitness, so if you ever see me lifting at the ALC, do NOT talk to me because there's a good chance I'll start yapping and completely lose track of time. I'm here to help make this a fun, welcoming, and chill place to live. If you ever want to talk, need help with something, or just want to hang out, I'm around. Don't be shy—come say hi! (That's me in the middle btw!).

Milo Will Returning Resident Advisor: 3rd Floor

Hey! I'm Milo, excited to be a returning residential advisor on the 3rd floor Mary Speechly. A bit about me, I am from Minneapolis, Minnesota and this is my 3rd year at the University of Manitoba. I am working towards a nursing degree.. Some of my hobbies include working out, spending time with friends and family, rock climbing, swimming, video games, and voice acting. One more thing, I am a huge yapper. If you wanna strike up a conversation with me, I am always happy to talk about anything. I've been told I look and sound scary, but trust me, I am always happy to talk and meet new people! I look forward to meeting you all in the fall and winter!





Emika Kongmamornsaichol Returning Resident Advisor: 4th Floor

Hi you all! My name is Emika and I will be your RA for 4th floor MSH! I was born in Chiang Mai, Thailand but grew up in Georgia (No, not Atlanta, but an hour drive away!). I am currently in my third year and I am majoring in stats! I love love love flea markets and thrifting, and my current obsession is Facebook marketplace, which I spend wayy too much time scrolling on. In my free time I love going on walks around campus, which I highly recommend y'all do before the temperatures are freezing. I have absolutely loved living on campus the past two years, and I am so excited to meet everyone for the upcoming year. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or just want to chat. I will see y'all soon!



Rowan Scott Resident Advisor: 5th Floor

Hi! My name is Rowan and I'll be your 5th floor RA in Mary Speechley this year. I'm from a small town near Brandon MB and I'm majoring in anthropology and minoring in classics. I love a good book, hanging with my friends, traveling around Canada, binge watching shows and exploring cool places around Winnipeg. I'm always down for a chat and feel free to send some book, movie, or TV show recommendations my way! Looking forward to an amazing year and making some fun filled memories with you all!

Ismail Abdulle Resident Advisor: 6th Floor

Hi! My name is Ismail Muhammed Abdulle, U1 student planning to pursue a degree in biochemistry. I came to the university of Manitoba through the WUSC Student Refugee Program. I am originally from Somalia but was raised in Uganda where I developed a strong appreciation for community and cultural diversity. I'm passionate about creating a supportive, inclusive environments where we can all flourish. I enjoy meeting new people and building meaningful connections. In my free time, I love watching sci-fi movies, travelling, and volunteering (YES). I'm excited to be part of your residence experience this year!





Genevieve Baumann Resident Advisor: 7th Floor

Hello everyone! My name is Genevieve, I'm from rural Minnesota and currently double majoring in Business Analytics and Finance. I'm passionate about fine arts, history, martial arts, sustainability and conservation. In my free time, I love long walks, cozy cafés, playing piano, and discovering new books, music, and cultures. I'm always up for a good conversation! One of my biggest hopes for this year is to help create a space where everyone feels comfortable, respected, and free to be themselves. Life in residence isn't just about living together — it's about building trust, sharing experiences, and supporting each other through it all. If there's ever anything on your mind — big or small — please don't hesitate to reach out:)



Noah Fulford Resident Advisor: 8th Floor

I am Noah Fulford, a second year student pursuing a bachelor in Environmental Design! I am from Manitoba, about 3 hours away from campus. When I'm not studying or hanging out with my friends, I spend my time baking or playing hockey and music. I am excited to be an RA and help create community on campus! My first year of university was in residence, and the people and experiences from the year were only possible thanks to the Resident Life Staff!

Daniela Gonzalez Resident Advisor: 9th Floor

Hi, I'm Daniela, your Resident Advisor for the 9th floor of Mary Speechly Hall! I'm a 3rd-year international student majoring in criminology. I believe God, gym, and academics are the ultimate combo for a fulfilling life. God is my daily guide. The gym is my sanctuary, a place I can recharge, and I balance that with dedication to my studies to keep my mind and body nurtured . I'm passionate about dancing so you'll often catch me spinning to salsa or bachata, turning any space into a dance floor! I also love cooking, and I can't wait to share my famous pastries at every event I host. As your RA, I'm here for you—whether you've lost your keys, need gym tips, want study motivation, or just need a pep talk. I'm committed to making the 9th floor a vibrant, supportive community with good vibes and a killer playlist.



University College Residence (UCR)



Tawana Mahari Senior Resident Advisor: 3rd Floor

Hi!! My name is Tawana, and I am the Senior Resident Advisor for UCR. I am originally from Harare, Zimbabwe, and currently in my fourth year at the university. Fall is definitely my favourite season — the cozy weather, the colours, and all the fun things happening around the city make it the best time of year! I am a big fan of movies and musicals, so feel free to stop by and share your favourites with me (I'm always looking for new recommendations). If you ever feel lost, need someone to talk to, or just want to hang out, don't hesitate to reach out — we'll figure it out together:) We have so many fun events and activities planned, and I'm so excited to meet everyone and make some amazing memories this year!

Rodrigo Alegria Returning Resident Advisor: 4th Floor

Hi! My name is Rodrigo Alegria! I am a Peruvian engineering student, and I am currently in my fourth year. I have a special interest in robotics, satellites, and planes. I enjoy playing racket sports (ping pong, tennis) as well as biking. My longest cycle trail is almost 21 km long! I am thrilled to continue my journey as a resident advisor and be part of such a unique community. Our spaces and people have great potential, I'm looking forward to meeting all of you!





Kehinde Durojaiye Resident Advisor: 5th Floor

Hey everyone! I'm Kay and I'm going the be the UCR 5th floor RA. I'm a third year Stats major minoring in comp sci (pray for me). I was born in Abuja, Nigeria and I laugh really loud so if you ever wonder who's laughing it's probably me: (I love watching movies. My last watch was Good Will Hunting (Highly recommend). I'm passionate about clothes, personal style and anything that has to do with self-expression. In my free time I enjoy going on walks, watching movies, journaling, skating, and playing volleyball. Don't be shy to come up and say hi, I can't wait to meet you all!



Ahmed Salawu Resident Advisor: 6th Floor

Hey everyone! My name is Ahmed and I'm excited to be your RA on the 6th floor of University College Residence this year! I'm currently in my 3rd year majoring in Mechanical Engineering with a minor in Management. I'm a Nigerian international student and I'm passionate about building strong, supportive communities. In my free time, you can usually find me playing soccer, watching Twitch, gaming, or trying to learn new skills. I also really love music, I'm always listening to something, whether it's Afrobeats, hip hop, indie, jazz or even reggae. I'm always on the hunt for new sounds and recently started exploring Country, it's surprisingly vibey and worth a listen. One of my favorite artists is Brent Faiyaz, his music stays on repeat for me. I'm always down for a good conversation, a pick-up sports game, or helping out if you ever need anything! I'm looking forward to meeting all of you and making this year unforgettable. Feel free to say hi anytime, my door's always open!

Favour Itseuwa Resident Advisor: 7th Floor

Hi everyone! My name is Favour, and I'll be the Resident Advisor for the 7th floor of University College Residence for the 2025/2026 academic year! I'm a second year Nursing student, and I'm super excited to be part of your residence experience. I'm originally from Edo, Nigeria but I grew up in Abuja, Nigeria. Outside of school—I spend my free time creating content, reading novels, playing games (toy blast is my favorite), watching kdramas and crocheting. As your RA, my goal is to make sure this place feels like home. Whether you need someone to chat with or need support adjusting to university life, I'm here for you. I know university can be a mix of exciting and overwhelming, you don't have to go through it alone. Don't hesitate to say hi when you see me around! I can't wait to meet everyone. Let's work together to make this an amazing year!





Evangelina Williams Resident Advisor: 8th Floor

Hi! My name is Eva, and I'm going to be the RA for the 8th floor of University College Residence. I moved here last year from Minnesota and have completely fallen in love with Canada and everything the university has to offer. I'm currently in my 2nd year here in the Anthropology program with minors in both Chinese and History. My goal is to work in academia someday as a researcher in archaeology! I'm absolutely obsessed with ancient history and will read just about anything related to archaeology that I can get my hands on. You can almost always find me on the 3rd floor of Dafoe studying, but if I'm not there, I'm probably watching all the wildlife on campus. I can't get enough of the raccoons and geese. Living in residence has really helped me find a strong community in a new country and it's my goal to make it feel as lovely and welcoming here for everyone else! Feel free to reach out to me for anything, I'm always here to listen. I can't wait for fall semester to meet y'all!