

Hola amigos,

Welcome to 4 South, the Quiet Lifestyle Floor of Thomas Hall. Our all-male residence hall is located in the South Quad of Eastern's Main Campus, right next to the Health Services building and just a short walk away from Coleman, Klehm, and Lumpkin Halls. While Thomas is host to a variety of unique services, such as the C-Store and Late Night Pizza, it also houses a thriving community of motivated students and staff who take an active interest in academics and campus improvement. As a resident of the Quiet Lifestyle Floor, you will enjoy a laidback, academically-oriented living environment in which you can pursue your interests without distraction. Indeed, as your Resident Assistant, it is my job to ensure that you are taking advantage of the many opportunities available to you as a resident of Thomas Hall.

In case you were wondering, my name is Nico Canaday, and I will be starting my senior year at Eastern this fall. I am an English teacher certification major and a Spanish teacher certification minor; my future goals include teaching English as a second language abroad and eventually pursuing a PhD in linguistics or South American literatures. I take my academics and campus activities very seriously, but in general I'm fairly laidback and easy to get along with. If you have any questions about ways you can get involved on campus or need academic advice, I'm your guy – just shoot me an email and I will respond as soon as possible (contact information below).

Certainly, since you are one of my residents on the Quiet Lifestyle Floor, I would like to know what some of your personal and academic goals are for the 2011-2012 school year; feel free to email me before the semester starts and/or add me on Facebook. Some of my own goals for our learning community include: maintaining a positive, open-minded environment; consistent participation in weekly Hall Council meetings; academic success; and attendance at campus and residence hall programs.

I am very much looking forward to meeting you. Before you arrive on campus, I suggest contacting your roommate (if you have one) in order to introduce yourself and figure out who's bringing what. Generally, it's best for one of you to bring the television and the other the fridge. Again, if you need any advice or just want to chat, shoot me an email or contact me via Facebook. Have a great summer!

Sincerely,

Nico Canaday

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