

-Interviews-

-Questions for Students-

1. When applying did you have a dorm preference?
2. If so, why did you choose that dorm?
3. Are you happy with the dorm that you were placed in?
4. Knowing what you know now about the dorms, where would you prefer living now?
5. What are some of the differences that you have noticed between the dorms?
6. Some say that FAR/PAR has the largest concentration of minorities and international students, whereas the “Six Pack” is predominantly white. What are your opinions on this statement?
7. Do you believe that the dorms are segregated institutionally, by the choice of the students, both or neither? Briefly explain.

All interviewee participated in these interviews by their own free will. Each interviewee self-identified themselves prior to the start of the interview. All interviewees fully read and signed the IRB consent forms. All interviews in this document were the exact words from the interviewees.

FAR

1. Black Male: Oglesby

1. FAR, ISR
2. FAR close to a lot of black people. A lot of fun. ISR close to engineering quad.
3. Yes
4. Six Pack or IT
5. Not too many differences. Layouts of buildings.
6. True. Says its how it always is.
7. By Choice of Students. A lot of friends stay at the six pack.

2. African American Male: Oglesby

1. None
2. ----
3. 1st year Six Pack was ok. Wanted a single room. Previous year wasn't good. People would throw stuff at door. FAR now he is pretty happy.
4. Lungren Hall, close to campus, nicer. Allen Hall, good atmosphere. Still like FAR.

5. Kind of organized by race. FAR one of the largest Black Population. Soul food night plays part.
6. FAR/PAR could be because of Soul Food. Other reasons as well. I.M.P.E opening up in front of six pack.
7. Not too sure

3. Latina Female: Oglesby

1. ISR
2. Knew people. Was told it was the best.
3. So-so
4. ISR
5. Dorms are smaller at FAR and food is crappier
6. True. Sees that Six Pack has more different people.
7. Can't really tell

4. White Male: Oglesby

1. FAR
2. Heard it was more multicultural. Different from hometown, predominantly white and large Latino population.
3. Yes, loves it.
4. FAR
5. FAR/PAR more multicultural there than anywhere
6. Sounds valid
7. By choice. There is a floor on PAR placed with international students

5. White Female: Oglesby

1. No
2. ----
3. No, too far.
4. ISR. Closer to everything.
5. Upkeep, better condition, furniture, food, quality of products.
6. True. Not surprising
7. By choice of students. Knows a lot of people who request FAR/PAR and some white who request six pack.

6. White Male: Oglesby

1. Six Pack
2. Fun Dorm
3. Yea
4. Wouldn't care
5. More white at six pack, more multicultural at FAR/PAR.

6. Agree
7. Choice of students. People just pick where they go.

7. Latino Male: Trelease

1. FAR
2. Newest one, best furniture, AC.
3. Yeah real happy, just a little small
4. Kinda six pack, but FAR is where to live
5. FAR a lot of minorities, some dorms segregated.
6. True, can tell by lunch.
7. Both. Minorities would like to stick together.

8. Latino Male: Oglesby

1. Six pack
2. Heard good things, social, good people, white girls, location.
3. Not really, bad location though
6. Six Pack.
7. Ethnic races greatly divided. Food is different. Building subculture, a lot of Asians in FAR. Asian American students having administration AASHO in FAR.
8. Agree. Been to dinner at the six pack.
7. Institutionally. Feels that no one wants to decide where to put all the people.

9. Latino Male: Trelease

1. Six Pack
2. Spoke to previous alum. Location. More social. Best Experience
3. Yes. A lot of great people
4. Pretty hard decision. Doesn't mind Trelease. Wonders what would have happened in the Six Pack.
5. Breakdown by ethnicity.
6. Agree. Good in a way. Also helps students
7. Institution 60% Choice 40%

10. Latina Female: Oglesby

1. Peabody, FAR, PAR
2. Peabody is by IMPE, FAR/PAR had good surroundings
3. Yea
4. FAR

5. Most Minorities are in Urbana South. ISR – Asian, LAR – Mix, FAR/PAR-Black, Allen – Gay.
6. True
7. By the way everything falls, computer does it. Earlier the better, rest is leftover.

PAR

11. Black Male: Carr

1. Yes PAR
2. A lot of freshmen. Brother recommended
3. Socially, yes. Physical appearance, no.
4. ISR. Location and AC
5. PAR is raggedy, great social connections in PAR
6. Probably, never been to the six pack, but sees greater diversity in FAR/PAR
7. Both, but it changes by year. Puerto Rican Roommate.

12. Black Female: Saunders

1. PAR
2. 3rd floor Saunders Global Crossroads Living Learning Community
3. It's ok. Had fun
4. Wants to live in an apartment
5. Feels people crawl to a certain place.
6. True. Programs for IEI students more advertised in FAR/PAR
7. Both. Don't set international floor at end of campus. Should be spread out.

13. White Female: Carr

1. Yes, Six Pack
2. Good location.
3. Not really.
4. Six Pack
5. Six Pack has larger rooms, better location, and better late night.
6. True
7. Not sure. (Black female not matched with other black females)

14. White Female: Carr

1. Yes, Six Pack
2. Popular/Most Social Dorm. Through friends (white and Asian)
3. Yes. People, suitable, clean, meets needs
4. Would rather stay

5. Race
6. Agrees. Not bad or good.
7. By choice of students.

15. White Female: Carr

1. Yes, Busey Evans
2. Family friend recommended it, bigger rooms, AC. Mother thought it was a good idea (all girls dorm)
3. Yes.
4. Stay here (if choice, Allen Hall)
5. Cafeteria (setup, food) Allen Hall is nicer. FAR not good (dirty, bad atmosphere)
6. Agree. (Noticed international moving day, most international students were around FAR/PAR.
7. Institutional. At first by choice then leftovers (black(FAR))

16. White Female: Carr

1. Yes, Six Pack
2. Most friends went there.
3. More diverse, more friendly.
4. ISR. Closer to quad and has AC.
5. More Social connections in PAR. PAR organizes more social events.
6. Accurate – Six pack all white
7. Both

17. White Female: Babcock

1. PAR (not important)
2. No real reason
3. Roommate problems
4. FAR (AC, new furniture, friends)
5. FAR/PAR more culturally diverse. FAR soul food night
6. Agree, just the way it is. (doesn't affect anyone)
7. Both. Students have a choice of living.

18. White Male: Carr

1. Six Pack or ISR
2. Heard it was social center, also heard AC was in them. Older brother recommended
3. Yeah (Being far builds sense of community, makes good friends, bonding)
4. No
5. FAR/PAR more divers ethnically. More segregated out here.

6. Agree (Helps to have a mix)(diversity is not a problem)wants to know what it is?
7. Closer to both.

19. Korean Exchange Female: Babcock

1. PAR
2. No reason
3. Yes
4. Daniel
5. PAR (small, crowded) Daniel (big, color, a lot of facilities)
6. True
7. Institutional

20. Latino Male: Carr

1. Six Pack
2. Better to live over there.
3. It's fine
4. It's fine
5. No AC vs. AC
6. True (Latino, Black, Asian) doesn't really think about it.
7. Both (Closer backgrounds easier to get along with), (Placement might prevent problems)

Six Pack

21. Black Male Scott

1. Six Pack
2. Location, closer to friends.
3. Yea
4. Six Pack. Live in FAR before.
5. Races
6. Definitely agree with that statement. Used to live in FAR.
7. No way of really knowing. It's also good to look at the sophomores who live in dorms. They have more choice.

22. Latino Male Weston

1. Six Pack

2. Friend influence
3. yes
4. Six Pack, come here next year too.
5. Type of people (ethnic background), food. ISR looks nice, taste better, Fat Dons, Soul food.
6. Agree
7. Institutionally (majority) vs. little choice by students.

23. Latino Male Weston

1. Didn't have one, was going to temp housing, and then got placed in Weston.
2. ----
3. Happy. Stay for another year. Pretty social dorm, doors are open a lot.
4. Stay in Weston
5. More minorities in FAR/PAR. This year Six Pack has more minorities than the year before.
6. Truth in that- Doesn't know how to answer. Foreign exchange FAR/PAR
7. More with students. Students segregate themselves, people aren't really aware of different cultures. They stay with people with same background.

24. Chinese Male Hopkins

1. Hopkins, actually ISR but was full
2. Heard it was cool. Just pick one.
3. Yeah, more than happy.
4. Still here
5. Six Pack – Laid back, Allen Hall- liberal almost, ISR – serious about school(reserved), FAR/PAR – not much
6. Agreed
7. Doesn't know

25. Pilipino Female: Hopkins

1. No
2. ----
3. Yes
4. Apartment. Being a freshman it was cool, but not now.
5. Six Pack (more social)
6. True
7. Housing tends to group all minorities. Housing more of an input than the student.

26. Mixed Male: Forbes

1. No
2. Roommate wanted to live here
3. Yes

4. Apartment. Here is fine
5. Forbes is quieter than Snyder. Certain races in dorm halls. Six pack predominantly white.
6. Never been to FAR/PAR.
7. Both. Assumption on people.

27. Indian Exchange Student: Garner

1. No
2. Randomly chose Six Pack
3. Yes
4. Preferred living in PAR
5. Dining Halls, food.
6. Agree
7. More about students. Students will pass on good word. PAR is open during winter break for international students when other dorms aren't.

28. White Male: Scott

1. Peabody
2. Heard Six Pack was cool
3. Yes
4. Six Pack
5. FAR highest minority rate
6. FAR is predominantly minority. In his section of hall minorities and whites are equal.
7. Students don't have anything to do with. Housing puts people together who they feel will get along.

29. White Female: Scott

1. Six Pack
2. More Social atmosphere
3. Yea
4. Six Pack
5. Not much. Spend most of time in dorm or class.
6. Probably true
7. Choice of student. Placed wherever in late slot.

30. White Male: Weston

1. Not really
2. ---
3. Like it.
4. More ISR. Closer to Engineering Quad. Likes people with the same lifestyle(engineer)
5. Can't say, hasn't really been around FAR/PAR. Six Pack = party

6. Heard this before, doesn't really know, and could see it. Not sure though
7. By choice. Sticking together. Might have worked out that way.

31. White Male: Scott

1. Six Pack
2. More social
3. Yes
4. Still in Six Pack
5. Haven't really been to other dorms.
6. From what he has seen, it sounds true.
7. Hope it's not by school. Little of both.

32. White Female: Weston

1. Copied roommate (knew her since high school)
2. ----
3. Yes
4. Likes it here the best.
5. Bromley has bigger rooms and are also nicer.
6. No comment. Has never been to FAR/PAR. Only been to Bromley and Illini Tower
7. By choice of student.

33. White Female: Weston

1. Weston
2. Exploration Program
3. Yes
4. At first Bromley but here is good.
5. Hasn't really been anywhere else except Bromley.
6. Didn't know.
7. Institutionally

34. Polish Female: Weston

1. Weston
2. Too late to find an apartment, so chose Weston.
3. No. Sophomore in a floor of Freshman.
4. PAR Better experience living there. Bathrooms are bigger.
5. Bathrooms, Hallways are bigger in PAR, Noise difference, Six Pack is closer to quad.

6. Agree
7. Everything. Applied to Six Pack then was put in PAR. Mostly Housing.

35. White Female: ISR

1. LAR
2. Friends, Recommendation
3. No it was not
4. Prefer ISR
5. Majors, social differences, LAR real quiet, Six Pack little louder.
6. Seems True
7. Both, people feel more comfortable.

36. White Male: Hopkins

1. Gregory
2. Knew a lot of people. Heard it was the place to be.
3. Still pretty happy.
4. Still here.
5. Hasn't been to other dorms as much.
6. Heard it before
7. A lot by the students, different dorms have set types of people.

37. White Female: Hopkins

1. Yes, Hopkins
2. Friends Here
3. Yes
4. Happy
5. Majors: ISR engineering. Noisy in the Six Pack
6. True
7. Both

38. White Male: Hopkins

1. Peabody
2. Roommate
3. Yes
4. Same
5. ISR has nice entrance and food
6. Six Pack is white...few Asians...never been to FAR/PAR.

7. No opinion really...ISR is engineering.

39. White Male Alum: Garner

1. Six Pack
2. Heard it was cool
3. Yes...Happy
4. Enjoys Six Pack
5. Six Pack – suburban white kids(party goers) vs. ISR=studious, Allen=arts/liberal, FAR/PAR=foreign
6. Agree
7. No opinion.

40. White Female: Hopkins

1. Six Pack
2. Everyone she knew was here
3. Happy,,
4. Apartment
5. Six Pack more social, closer to campus
6. Never been to FAR/PAR – Doesn't pay attention to race.
7. Both, but mostly institutionalized.