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HOUSING EDITION

The Beacon has compiled a guide for the current students of Merrimack College based on student opinions of the quality of each dormitory on campus. Dorms have been graded based on location, physical conditions, entertainment, and convenience. Students who have paid their 2010 Housing Deposit will be e-mailed their selection number and given a time to participate in the online housing selection



Housing Selection

Round 1: March 24, 58 credits or more

Round 2: March 25, 28-57 credits

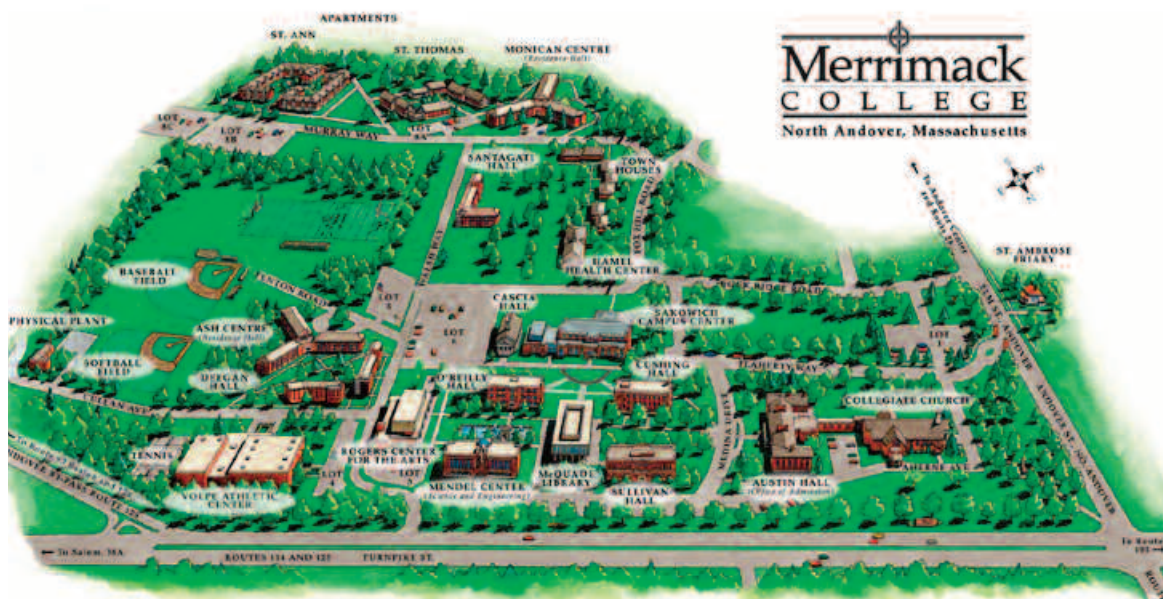
Round 3: March 26, 27 or fewer credits



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Grading Results

St. Thomas Apartmes	A
St. Anne Apartments	A-
Santagati Hall	A-
Monican Centre	B
Ash Centre	B-
Townhouses	C+



TYPICALLY...

SOPHOMORES!

MONICAN CENTRE



Pros:

- Close to parking lot
- Close to apartments
- Quads

Cons:

- Far from all other buildings
- Old
- Creepy, old laundry room
- No elevator

Overall Grade: B

Last year Monican Centre received a B- as a grade overall with an B- for Location, B- for Cleanliness, B/C- for Room Space based on quads or doubles, and C- for Entertainment.

ASH CENTRE

Pros:

- Quads
- Study Room
- Closer to athletic buildings
- Closer to academic buildings
- Cozy fireplace

Cons:

- Freshmen
- Far from rest of dorms & parking lot
- Older
- Supposedly haunted
- No elevator

Overall Grade: B-



Last year Ash Centre received a C+ as a grade overall with an A- for Location, D for Cleanliness, B/D for Room Space based on quads or doubles, and B+ for Entertainment.

JUNIORS AND SENIORS!

TOWNHOUSES

Pros:

- Newly renovated bathrooms
- Close to Sakowich Center
- No front desk attendants
- Swipe-in abilities

Cons:

- Trashy
- Sharing little space with many people
- If the power goes out, you cannot swipe in...and you may have to find a place to stay

Overall Grade: C+



Last year the Townhouses received a C- as a grade overall with an B+ for Location, F- for Cleanliness, B for Room Space based on common room and doubles, and A- for Entertainment.

The townhouses have dramatically improved based on the improvement of swipe access and the renovations of the bathrooms

SANTAGATI HALL

Pros:

- Newest building on campus
- Sleeps either 4, 6, or 8 persons
- Warming kitchen in lobby
- Elevator
- Centrally located
- Fire alarms have been fixed!
- Clean, non-creepy laundry room

Cons:

- Front desk attendant 24/7
- Noisy
- Party scene



Overall Grade: A-

Last year Santagati Hall received a A- as a grade overall with an B+ for Location, A- for Cleanliness, B+ for Room Space, and A- for Entertainment.

ST. ANN APARTMENTS



Pros:

- Independent living
- Kitchen
- Close to parking lot
- Parties
- Bigger Common Areas

Cons:

- Smaller Bedrooms
- Far from Academic buildings
- Far from Athletics
- Parties

Overall Grade: A-

Last year St. Ann Apartments received an A- as a grade overall with an B for Location, C+ for Cleanliness, A- for Room Space and A+ for Entertainment.

ST. THOMAS APARTMENTS

Pros:

- Independent living
- Kitchen
- Close to parking lot
- Parties
- Bigger Bedrooms

Cons:

- Smaller Bedrooms
- Far from Academic buildings
- Far from Athletics
- Parties



Overall Grade: A

Last year St. Thomas Apartments received an B+ as a grade overall with an B+ for Location, C+ for Cleanliness, A- for Room Space and A for Entertainment.

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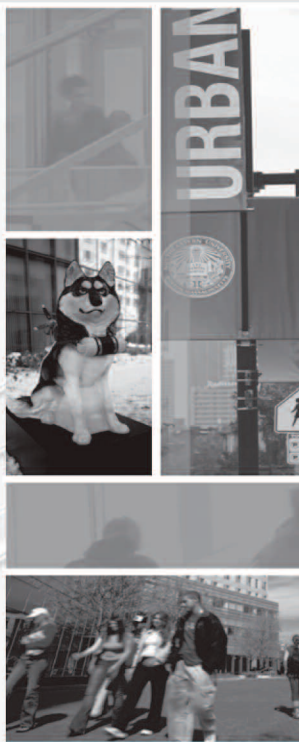
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