

Oak Lane

The Oak Lane Community, formerly known as Special Purpose Housing, is the location for on-campus housing for sororities and fraternities at Virginia Tech. It is located in the northwest sector of campus past the overflow parking lot on Duck Pond Drive. The name "Oak Lane" refers to the name of the road on which the housing complex is located and was officially adopted in June 2002.

With the completion of Phase III, 12 sororities and five fraternities live at Oak Lane. Most other fraternities have off-campus housing locations. Occasionally, houses or wings are not under lease to Greek chapters and are occupied by non-affiliated students.

The growth of Oak Lane has occurred in three distinct phases. Phase I in 1983 began with three houses, housing three groups. Phase II in 1990 added an additional seven houses, housing one group in each house. Phase III in 2001 added four more houses, housing eight groups.

Residence hall built: Phase I opened in 1983, Phase II in 1990, and Phase III in 2001.

Construction firm: Phase I: Mills, Obenchain, Oliver & Webb, Inc.
Phases II & III: Hanbury, Evans, Newill, Vlattas (HENV)

Oak Lane Today

Community: Oak Lane

Type: Phase I and II: individual house units
Phase III: individual houses
split into two distinct wings

Number of residents: 598

Staff: Community director: 1
Oak Lane graduate assistant: 1
House supervisors: 19



Photo Credit:

Residence Hall photograph courtesy Visual and Broadcast Communications.