

# Residence Hall History at JMU

1931 — 1968

## Converse Hall

Originally called “Senior Hall,” when it was built in 1935. In 1957, the Hall took the name Converse after a professor and former registrar, Henry A. Converse.

1935 ●



## Logan Hall

Built in 1951, Logan Hall added fifty-three student rooms. Named after a former head of the English Department, Conrad T. Logan.

1951 ●

## Wayland Hall

Built in conjunction with Gifford Hall in 1958, Wayland Hall was named after John W. Wayland, former History and Social Science Department head.



1958 ●

1959 ●

## Wine-Price Hall

Built in 1959, the Hall was leased from Rockingham Memorial Hospital by the school in 1974 for additional space, including housing. The Hall’s namesakes are Dr. Edward C. Wine and C. Grattan Price, former hospital president and local banker, respectively.

1964 ●

## Rockingham Hall

Built in 1964, the Hall began its life as a Howard Johnson’s Motor Lodge. The University rented it periodically as additional student housing and purchased the Hall in 2001.

1967 ●

## Frederikson Hall

Named after History professor Dr. Otto F. Frederikson, the Hall is one of the nine Village residences.



## Cleveland Hall

Originally called “Junior Hall,” when it was built in 1935. In 1957, the Hall became Cleveland Hall after English teacher Elizabeth P. Cleveland. Now houses academic offices.

● 1936

## Nicholas House

Built in 1909, and purchased by the school in 1957. Housed men in the 1960s. Named for Dr. C. E. Nicholas, whose family were the last private residents. Demolished in 2005.

● 1957

● 1958



## Gifford Hall

Opened in 1958, the Hall was named after Dr. Walter J. Gifford, a former dean and head of the Education Department.

● 1964

## Hoffman Hall

After opening in 1964, Hoffman Hall housed students in the Bluestone Area of campus. Its namesake is Margaret Vance, who taught in the English department for over forty years.

● 1966

## Huffman Hall

Named for English professor Dr. Charles H. Huffman, the Hall opened in 1966 and was the first of the eventual nine Village residences.

● 1968

## Shorts Hall

First building designated for male students after residential coeducation in 1966. Built in 1968 on what would become the Lake Area, the Hall had space for 200. Named after Education Professor Clyde P. Shorts.

