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Located behind the LYCC, two female dorms – Myers and Spangler – are connected by an awning and walkway. Occupants of these dorms can use their key cards to enter either halls because of the shared lobby and kitchen.

A survey was taken to every door asking for residents to share their opinions of the dorms.



Spangler hall is located on the side of the building facing the Tennis Courts while Myers faces the library. Many residents were drawn to these dorms because of random housing assignments. Others, like junior resident who chose to identify as "Meg", were drawn to the hall because of the closeness of Tucker Student Center and the LYCC.

Many residents said that the location is one aspect of the dorms that makes it unique, although that does make it further from

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Myers and Spangler are separated by an awning but each resident is allowed to enter either dorm. Photo by Tessa Walsh the quad. One anonymous freshman respondent from Spangler said, "It's a pretty long walk to the majority of my classes."

In addition to the long walk to classes, women living in Spangler

must walk through Myers to get to the lobby area and kitchen that is shared by the two dorms. Some residents viewed this as a downside and commented that Spangler needs its own kitchen.

In the dorm, the laundry room and kitchen are combined. Natalie Proctor, freshman Myers resident, says

"Having more washers and things like pots and pans" would improve the kitchen and laundry room combo. According to residents, the space "needs more room."

Room is not an issue when it comes to the rooms and ceilings, though. With large rooms and tall ceilings, respondents felt as though they "have the biggest rooms" and that "it is very long with enough storage space."

Accompanying the generous amount of space, the dorm as a whole is well maintained and kept clean. While most respondents commented positively on the cleanliness, several did mention that hair piles up in the showers and the sink. One



The combined kitchen and laundry room is shared by residents of Myers and Spangler. Photo by Tessa Walsh

anonymous respondent commented that they are staying because of the cleanliness and because they "have the greatest maintenance women in the world."

Freshman Spangler resident Hannah Mosley said, "It's a nice dorm with plenty of room and friendly people." While only 50 percent of the respondents felt as though there was a great sense of community within the dorm, many noted that the people are one of the main reasons they stay in the dorms.

According to the survey, less than half of the residents feel they are good friends with their neighbors and 65 percent said they generally keep their door closed when they are in their room. A majority of the respondents also felt as though the quietness of Myers and Spangler is what makes them unique from the other dorms on campus.

"The dorm as a whole isn't super close, but if you make effort to meet people you can find some pretty great friends," said Proctor.

Although residents would like to see some minor improvements, the friendships created, the location of the dorms and the large rooms are the key reasons that residents stay in Myers and Spangler.