

Life style and system of the Sophia Soshigaya International House

We have a community system in the House called "Living Group" and every member of the house are assigned to one of the Living Groups from the beginning. Every member is required to join the activity of Living Group as an obligation. Living Group is the basic community for the residents to appreciate the given riches and to collaborate in diversity. The following is the structure and content of Living Groups.

P u r p o s e	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Promote interpersonal and international exchange (concept of a community building) -Create the culture of the Residence and have a responsibility for keeping the environment in good condition
S t r u c t u r e	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -20 groups consisting of around 15 residents of different nationalities, languages etc. who live in the same unit with a Living Group leader
M e m b e r	All residents
A c t i v i t i e s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Compulsory Monthly meeting (for discussing internal issues and for intercultural exchanges) -Other activities/events according to the need of the House and groups (see examples below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting activities for new students to get used to life in the Residence Actively participate in and organize international exchange events -Keeping the floor and kitchen clean and comfortable, which is responsible for the members of each floor (see examples below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep one's own belongings in the designated storage space in a kitchen Not to leave belongings in the shared places Clean up the sink and table and leave nothing behind -Communication beyond living groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication at the shared spaces Events and projects planned and co-organized by members from different living groups