Sources for information on first year housing.

National Resource Center for the First Year Experience and Students in Transition

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/national_resource_center/research/research_findings/details.php?id=13

General research on first year students and programs to support transitions to college and student success. The National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition serves as the trusted expert, internationally recognized leader, and clearinghouse for scholarship, policy, and best practice for all postsecondary student transitions.

“6 Trends Steering Today’s College Residence Halls”, Peter Fabris

Building Design and Construction (online publication), November 7, 2014

https://www.bdcnetwork.com/6-trends-steering-todays-college-residence-halls

Universities are using residence halls to: 1) foster a sense of community on campus, 2) gain other benefits by downsizing bedrooms, 3) create uncommonly vibrant common areas, 4) figure out how best to use technology, 5) blend academics with living spaces, 6) compete for students.

“What’s New in Freshman Housing? Buildings That Help Students Make Friends”, Lawrence Biemiller

Chronicle of Higher Education, August 4, 2017


...traditional double rooms, communal bathrooms, and plenty of lounge and study space would lead students to make more friends and feel more connected to the institution.

“A Residential Paradox? Residence Hall Attributes and College Student Outcomes”, Bronkema & Bowman

Journal of College Student Development, May 2017

https://muse.jhu.edu/article/663312/summary

In this study, we explored a potential paradox in which the suite- and apartment-style buildings that college students often desire might lead to reductions in their sense of community, college satisfaction, academic achievement and intent to persist.

“The Real Campus Scourge”, Frank Bruni
They’re lonely. In a sea of people, they find themselves adrift.