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Living on campus during the 2020-2021 academic year

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There was no benefit to living on campus, just costed more, my family however insisted for me to live on campus. I think they wanted me on campus so I would socialize, little did they know that no one was going to be on campus, and that regulations would be so strict that any attempt to socialize would be in vain. When I arrived to Synaminsu, I was lucky to find myself in a 3-person bedroom all to myself. On the first day of school, I was eager to awake to class where I made coffee and sat in on the zoom lecture, I grabbed lunch from the PUB and headed home to do homework. The days started to flow together, and I started to repeat actions almost religiously. to occupy myself I would play videogames, watch YouTube, and talk with friends over the internet, this almost was able to keep me occupied for the entire day. There would be times however when I felt alone in a large room with nothing to do other than exist. As the days went on, I was slowly getting lazier and more bored, I found myself going to bed at 3am, and waking up at noon. While my zoom classes ran when I slept, I would awake to watch them in the morning and finish homework in less that an hour at times. When it was close to the end of the school year some of the restrictions were starting to be lifted this gave me hope that I might yet know about the people around me. It felt like everyone opted out of living on campus, so there I was alone in a ghost town with nothing but the internet as a gateway to the world.