

DeSmet Charter

We, the residents of DeSmet Hall, established in 1925, hereby charter ourselves into an intentionally peer-developed and enhanced community in cooperation with student leaders. We will be the change we want to see in the world, be accountable to ourselves first, and lead by example for other DeSmet residents and the larger Gonzaga community. We will respect all residents, staff, Floor Captains, chaplains, and members of our community. We will hold residents accountable and stand up for the charter and constitution when we see behavior unbecoming of our values. We will support the needs of our community, whether academic or social. We will explore spirituality personally and in community with the guidance of our live-in chaplain and student live-in chaplain. We will hold our peers accountable for the professional stewardship of the facility. We will respect DeSmet as our shared home.

We will be DeSmet residents with and for each other, bolstering and maturing our DeSmet traditions while actively engaging in leadership opportunities within and beyond the walls of DeSmet. We will increasingly turn our attention to Gonzaga University and Spokane for opportunities to demonstrate our leadership in service to others in the powerful name of Father Pierre-Jean De Smet, for whom this building was named.