

Senior offers comments

To the Editors:

I simply want to voice my final impressions of the Washington and Lee atmosphere as a departing senior. It has been a rewarding experience, though turbulent. I have a few regrets in my four-year stay here. I gladly welcome the change to coeducation as a signal that the school will be joining the world in the 20th century. As a black student, I think I had a pretty good idea of what I was subjecting myself to socially, but I did allow cynicism to creep into my attitude nevertheless. I believe I have reached a point, however, where I have risen above the circumstances not only in academic adequacy, but in exuding a more positive attitude. I only hope more of my "peers" can or will reach this level.

I also want to apologize to the University community as a whole and to the black students in particular for not having more zeal in the office of vice president in SABU. I hurt for John White, but he has shown the administration what he is made of, and I admire him for that. I wish all at W&L well and hope everybody struggling in this atmosphere realize that their biggest enemy may be themselves. I know because that was my biggest problem; not the "rich, preppy assholes," the University-constricted town, the hypocrisy among students or the pressure to conform within certain circles; "me" was the problem. With God's help, I overcame. Bye, W&L.

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