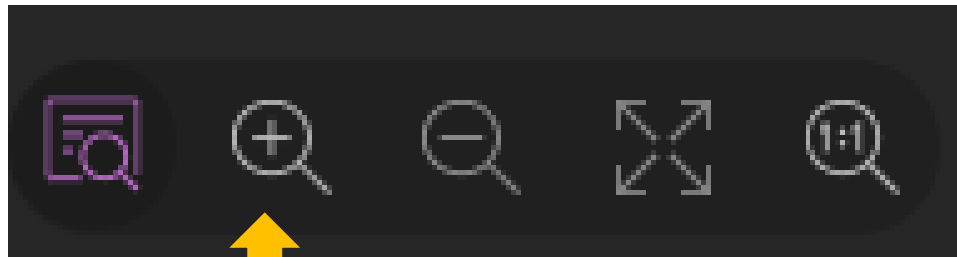
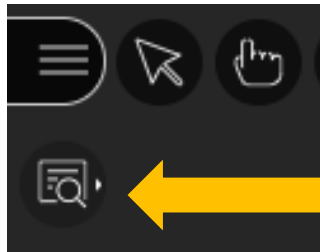


Good morning, Fellows! ~~ The TLA HOUSING briefing will begin at 0900  
Here's a new Blackboard skill to try while you wait!

## Blackboard Skill: Zooming in

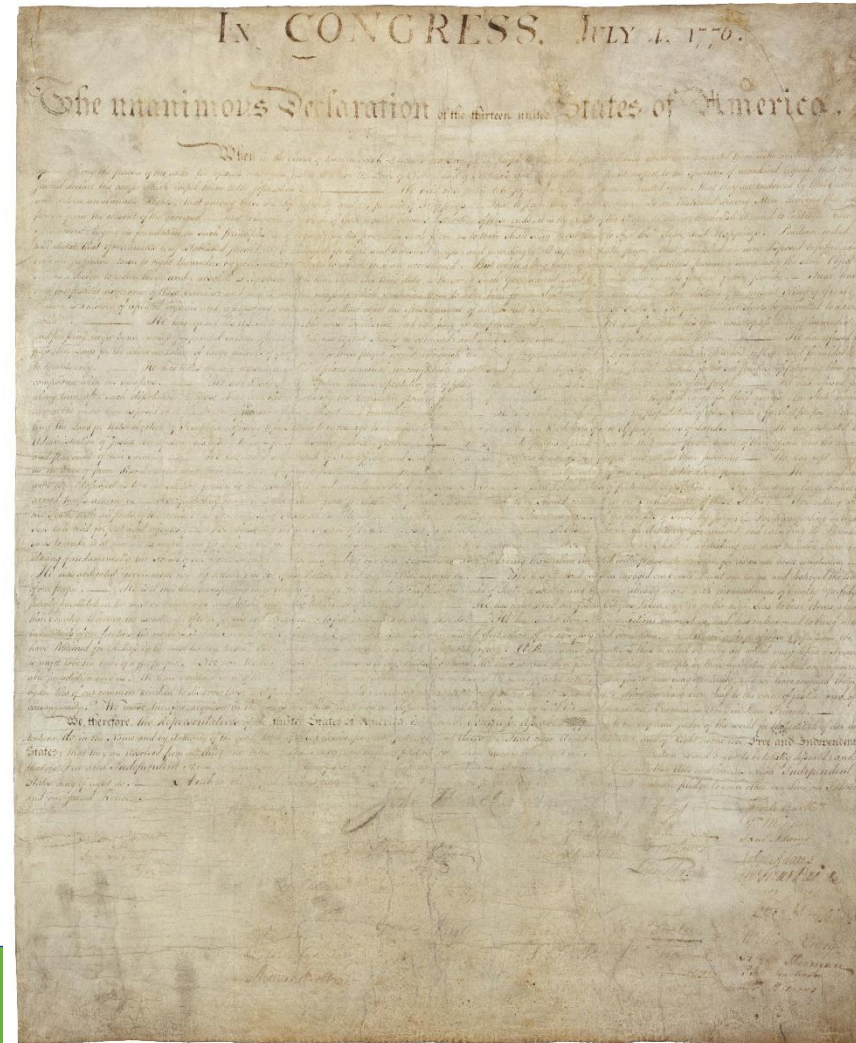
If you'd like to take a closer look at something on a presentation, you can zoom in.  
This will change the view just for you, so you can inspect elements closely.

1. In the top right corner,  
click on the “View  
Controls” button



2. Use the magnifying  
glasses to zoom in or out

Use zoom to inspect the original manuscript of  
the Declaration of Independence!



# TLA Housing Overview

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# What is TLA Housing?



- TLA housing: USG stipend that covers the cost of your lodging
- Program funding type and country agreements determine whether or not you receive TLA housing
- You have a choice for housing – opt-in or opt-out
- Goal: to get you and your families get settled quickly and happily, and to get you ready for your school year
- My advice to you
  - Please trust our advice – we have your best interests at heart and we have accommodated over 600 Fellows and family members in recent years
  - Always feel free to ask for assistance—we are your advocate

# Opt-In: What does it include?



- Corporate-style apartments in Crystal City
- Fully furnished
- All utilities included (water, heating, electricity, cable and internet)
- No security deposit (usually equal to one month's rent)
- One parking space (proof of vehicle registration in your name required)
- Bi-weekly maid service
- Monthly rent payments directly to Suite Solutions off the fund cite on your ITO
- Airport greeting for you and accompanying dependents (on same flight)



# Apartment Buildings



- Crystal City is a highly desirable area with excellent schools
- All apartment complexes have 24-hour security, business centers, exercise facilities
- All within walking distance of a metro stop and grocery store, and other opt-in NDU students
- Parking is limited and towing is enforced!
  - 1 car per unit, provide registration info Suite Solutions
- Corporate housing ≠ hotel
- Doors automatically lock in Crystal House! Always take your key.

# What does fully furnished mean?



- Includes all furniture, bedding and housewares
- Housewares: pots/pans/dishes/glasses, etc
- Standard furniture package for ALL apartments
  - Inventory standard for U.S. apartments
  - Number of items is based on apartment size
    - One bedrooms have fewer items than three bedrooms
  - Additional items can be purchased on your own or rented from Suite Solutions
  - Costco, Amazon, Walmart: Balcony furniture, desks for children, additional chairs, etc



# Maid Service



- Biweekly maid service included (every other week)
- Starts next week
- Scheduled during typical class time to accommodate your class schedule (0900-1500)
- Many maids do not speak much English
- Maid service will change sheets/towels, and do light vacuuming and cleaning. Will not clean windows or do heavy moving
- Maids will not move items to clean – will clean around everything

# Utilities



- There are financial limits placed on your utilities of gas and/or electric. If you exceed these limits you are personally required to pay the excess – this is not reimbursable.
- Keep a consistent temperature in your apartment, this uses less energy.
- Do not turn the thermostat up or down all the time and do not leave windows/doors open



# Opt-In: What does it not include?



- Pay-per-view movies
- Cannot change TV or phone company
  - Can pay to add additional streaming service (Netflix, Hulu, etc)
- No international calling
- Locked out of apartment? Community charges \$100 per lockout
- Damages
- Renter's insurance (covers your personal belongings in apartment)
- Bedbugs (2<sup>nd</sup> treatment & beyond)
- Additional charges will be your responsibility

# Damages



- You are responsible for any damages in your apartment, beyond normal wear and tear
  - Includes scratches, coloring on walls, nail polish spills, desk carving, serious carpet stains, stickers/tape directly on paint
- Bed bugs – if apartment has to be treated more than once, you are responsible
  - All apartments have been inspected and declared free of bedbugs prior to your move in.
  - If you have any suspicions, please contact Suite Solutions ASAP.
- Inspections will be done as needed and in May
- Renter's insurance is highly recommended

# Tips for Apartment Living



- Be courteous of your neighbors
- Supervise children in common areas
- Children <16 CANNOT get a FOB (community rules)
- Limit food left outside of refrigerator
- Pests move easily throughout units
- Fire alarms – a favorite of children
  - Evacuate the entire building
- Purple binder on coffee table has community rules, hours, etc.

# Implications of COVID-19



- All communities are following CDC guidelines and state-regulated reopening phases
- As such, amenities are reopening slowly and with capacity limits
- Suite Solutions will update you as the communities adjust the amenity rules
- Housekeeping: please vacate your room for the duration of the cleaning service if at all possible

# Lease Signing



- Monday, 20 July
  - Hard copy leases delivered to your apartment – for use as “original” sometimes required for school registration, car registration, etc
  - Digital copy – reference for NDU and Suite Solutions
- If you intend to stay with Suite Solutions, please sign by COB Tuesday, 21 July

Friday 17 July

Next: 1015 in your **seminar rooms** for a team huddle

6100 with your Writing Instructor begins at 1030 in the same place (seminar rooms)

Seminar Rooms

After that... 1330 TODAY - American Studies in MAIN BRIEFING ROOM (here)



Friday 17 July

The rest of today's schedule

1030 - 1230	6100 TSRA & Diagnostic Due!	Everyone
1230 - 1245	Team Huddles after seminar	Everyone
1330 – 1530	American Studies: Constitution Making & War	Everyone