Matt Schwab the staff mentor to the International House Themed Living Learning Community. I enjoy interacting with and advising students. International students especially are in great need of an advocate on the ISU campus and I enjoy helping them find their voice in the community. I believe that by providing themed living learning communities to provide students, students of similar interests and attitudes are able to form a unique sub-community within the ISU student body. These sub-communities, in turn, allow the students to explore and develop their interests on a much more powerful level than if the students lived in a less focused environment.

I have the great fortune of having one of the most naturally motivated groups on campus to work with. International students want to explore and interact with the campus and community as much as possible and I try my best to offer them programs and experiences to facilitate this desire. There is a great deal of collaboration between the I-House staff and the RA staff to help generate a curriculum of programs that encompass students’ social and educational needs. I-House programming tends to concentrate on larger socio-cultural field trips, where RA programming focuses on more local customs and community building activities.

Something you would not necessarily know about me is that I have not-so-subtle addictions to Nerf guns, Legos, and graphic novels. My hobbies also include, Graphic design, drawing & sketching, video games, reading, hiking, camping, storytelling.

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