Residential Learning & University Housing

Orientation 2017

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Incoming Freshmen







On-Campus Experience

Students living on campus...

- Develop a greater sense of belonging.
- Participate more in student organizations.
- Develop stronger connections to faculty.
- Earn higher GPAs.
- Are more likely graduate in 4 yrs.





Mandatory Housing Policy

- Rowan University requires students to live in University housing or commute from their parent/legal guardian's home within 40 miles of campus until...
 - Junior Year (58 or more credits)
 - 4 semesters on campus
 - Age 21
 - Marriage



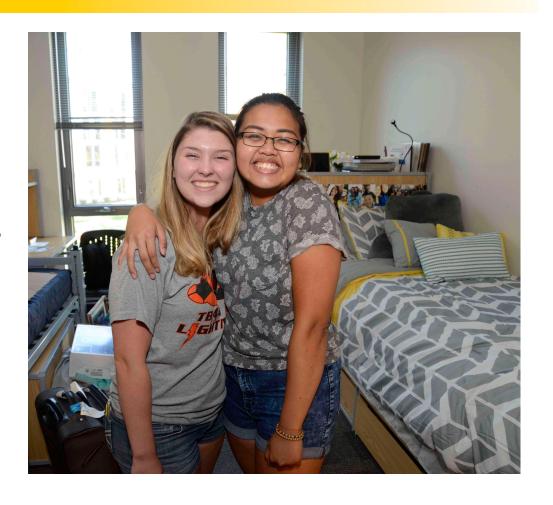
Application & Assignment

- Apply as soon as possible!
- Students are assigned based on the preferences indicated in their application.
- Students should complete their own application:
 - It is a legal contract (signed electronically).
 - Best match will come from answers that reflect a student's own preferences, not always what a parent might select on the application.
- Assignment notices will go out early Aug.



Roommate Match

- Students may indicate a requested roommate. Must mutually match!
- We accommodate roommate requests whenever possible, but cannot guarantee requests.
- May not match when...
 - Students do not complete the mutual match online.
 - Students have differing preferences regarding triples.
 - Students are in conflicting learning communities.





Accommodations

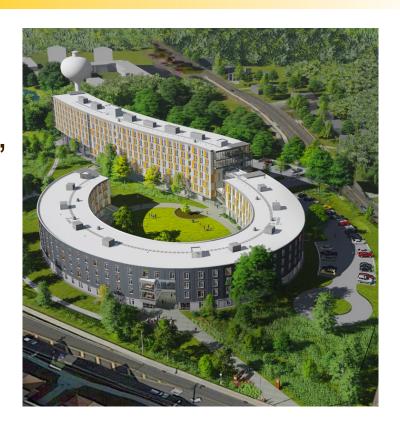


- Students with disabilities requiring housing accommodations must register with Disability Resources.
- High School accommodations do not automatically carry over to the University.
- Housing accommodations may be needed for students who have not needed accommodations in the past.
- Think about:
 - Air conditioning, service or emotional support animal, stairs/ elevators, roommate compatibility, bathroom needs.



Holly Pointe Commons

- Our newest residence hall.
- Includes A/C and elevators.
- Houses Honors, Engineering, Pre-Med, History, LGBTQ+ and Writing Arts Learning Communities.
- Assignment here is not guaranteed.
- Communities formed around "Pods."
- Double room fee is \$4,586 per semester.





Traditional Halls

- Built 1960's 1980's. No A/C or elevators.
- Communities formed around "Suites."
- House ASCEND, Computer Science, Healthy Living, Math, Leadership, Recovery, RTF, Social Justice & Volunteerism learning communities.
- Double room = \$3,918
- Triple room = \$3,403



26. I am concerned about the cost of university housing. My preference is to be assigned to the least expensive housing option. I recognize selecting "Yes" does not guarantee a particular housing assignment. *

No

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Triple Rooms

- Triple rooms are available in the traditional residence halls (not Holly Pointe Commons).
- Triple rooms are configured with furniture for 3 students including:
 - Bunked or lofted bed
 - Desk and chair
 - Dresser
 - 2 wardrobes (shared)
 - MicroFridge (free for volunteers)





Triple Rooms

- About 600 students will need to be housed in triples this year.
- We fill triples with volunteers first... Then assign students to triples based on application date, working back from the latest applications until all students have a housing assignment.
- The fee for a triple room is \$500 less than a double each semester.
- Volunteers also receive the following incentives:
 - \$500 credit off fall semester meal plan.
 - \$50 Rowan Bucks on their fall account.
 - Free MicroFridge in the triple room.
 - Free summer housing between their freshman and sophomore year.
- Students can VOLUNTEER in their housing application.

25. If triples will be offered, would you like to live in a triple room in one of our first year residence halls (not Holly Pointe Commons)? *

No



Single Rooms

- Available in all residence halls on a limited basis.
- Priority assignments for students with disability related needs.
 - Contact Disability Resource Center ASAP if you have any disability related housing needs.
- Update preferences in your housing application to request a single room.
- Holly Pointe Single = \$4,913
- Traditional Hall Single = \$4,582



Water Quality

- Lead in drinking water became a concern on the Rowan campus in 2016.
- We addressed this in a transparent and comprehensive way:
 - Filtered water is available throughout campus.
 - Bottle filling stations are in every residence hall and academic buildings.
 - Bathroom & kitchen sinks dispense filtered cold tap water.





Cleaning

- We deliver clean rooms at move-in.
- Common areas of buildings including bathrooms in most buildings are cleaned by housekeeping.
- Student rooms, and bathrooms in Mimosa, Evergreen and Mullica are the student's responsibility to clean in cooperation with roommates.





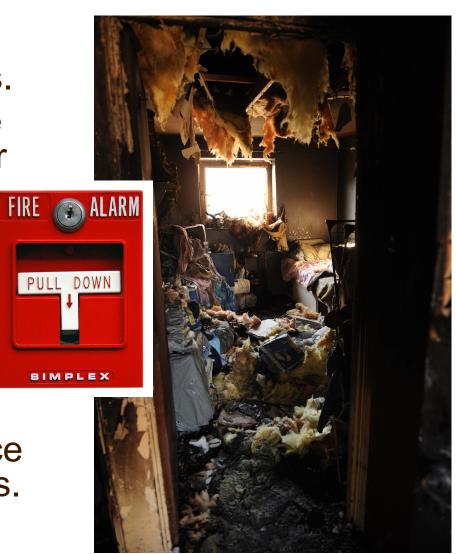
Fire Safety

 Fire safety is a high priority in residence halls.

 We have highly sensitive alarm systems... for your SAFETY!

 Students must make smart choices to avoid causing unnecessary risks and nuisance alarms.

 Inspections are done every semester to enforce health and safety policies.





Fire Safety

- Extension cords are PROHIBITED!!
- Curtains, flags and wall hanging tapestries must be treated with NFPA 701 compliant fire resistant coatings.
- Power strips with surge protectors are the ONLY approved way to extend power from the wall.





Renter's Insurance

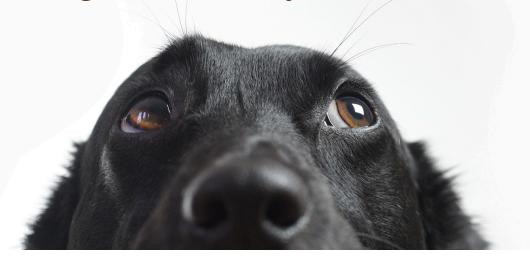
- The University does NOT insure students' personal property.
- Students are encouraged to obtain a renter's insurance policy to protect them.
- Many companies provide insurance at nominal cost.
- Or, you may have coverage through a parent/guardian's homeowner's policy.





Pets

- Most pets are not permitted.
- Students may have fish in a 10 gallon or smaller aquarium.
- Service or emotional support animals for students with disabilities must be approved through Disability Resources.





Weapons Prohibited

- No weapons of any kind are permitted in campus housing.
- Nothing that looks like a weapon either.
- Leave them at home!





Drugs & Alcohol Prohibited

- Freshman residence halls are dry.
 ALCOHOL
- Drug laws are also strictly enforced.
- Drug possession will result in arrest and suspension.





MicroFridge





- Students may lease a MicroFridge for \$144.99 per year.
- They are free for triple volunteers.
- The unit is 3 appliances in 1 fridge, freezer and microwave.
- The MicroFridge is compact and designed to be a low energy appliance.
- Other refrigerators are not permitted in the residence halls.
- Order online at:
 - MyMicrofridge.com



Digital Television

- Cable TV is available in every room.
- The signal is a mix of digital and over the air channels.
- TV's must have both a ClearQAM and ATSC tuner.
- TV content is also available for streaming to student's devices via the campus internet network.





Health Forms

- All health records are due to the Wellness Center by July 15.
- Meningitis is a serious health concern in communal living environments.
- An up to date meningitis vaccination is required (by law).
- Non-compliant students will NOT be permitted to move-in.





Room & Board Rates

\$4.586

\$4.913

2017-2018 Room Rates Proposed Rates • Per Semester* Traditional Residence Halls - Meal Plan Required Residence Hall Triple \$3,403 Residence Hall Double \$3,918 Residence Hall Single \$4,582 Holly Pointe Commons - Meal Plan Required

* Rates listed are proposed and subject to change prior to final

Holly Pointe Commons Double

Holly Pointe Commons Single

approval by the Board of Trustees.

2017-2018 Meal Plans Per Semester**

All-Access Meal Plan & \$100 dining dollars + \$100 'Boro Bucks \$2,200

14 Meals Per Week & \$100 dining dollars + \$200 'Boro Bucks \$2,065

**Meal plan descriptions and rates are subject to change consistent with University policy and vendor contract agreements.



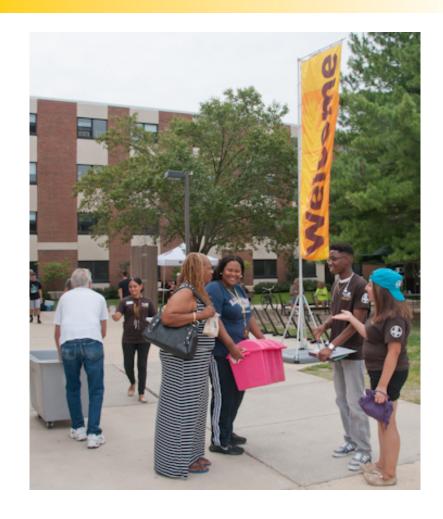


- The student's bill includes an estimated charge of \$3,918 for housing. This charge may change based on the student's final housing assignment.
- Check the bill again in mid August to confirm final amount charged and pay any amount due.



Move In

- Move-in will be Saturday September 2, 2017 from 9 am to 4 pm.
- Holly Pointe Commons conducts move-in by appointment and has extended move-in hours on Friday September 1, 2017 as well as Saturday, September 2, 2017.
- Students should arrive at their assigned hall between 9 am and 4 pm, or by appointment.
- Participation in University programs during this weekend is expected of all new students.





Thank you!