Living on Campus

RADFORD UNIVERSITY
Welcome to the Neighborhood...

The mission of Housing and Residential Life is to cultivate dynamic communities that inspire personal growth, connection, and academic success in environments where students are supported and engaged.

We aim to foster communities where students participate in transformative learning and develop as leaders and engaged citizens.

15 on-campus residence halls
6 living-learning communities
13 dining locations on campus
Our Residence Hall Staff

- 12 full-time, professional, live-in Resident Directors plus one Area Coordinator in Muse
- 112 Resident Assistants; at least one for each floor in-halls.
- Partnered with RUPD, EMS, and other departments.
What Housing Can Offer You

• A team of full-time Resident Directors each supervising an RA staff made up of your fellow students. We are all here to engage with everyone as a community, lead in-hall events for both education and for fun, and to assist where needed.

• A residential curriculum that focuses on important values for our students and encourages community development.

• Professional staff members on-call at all times, with Resident Assistants also on-call during evenings and weekends.

• Designated 24 hour study spaces available in all halls, with enforced quiet hours at night.

• Gender Inclusive Housing, which allows students to apply to live in a room with a student of any gender.
Benefits to Living On-Campus

• Instant potential for connections to Community & Friends
• Convenient access to resources, classes, dining, and the library
• Personal growth and interpersonal development
• Leadership opportunities, both working and volunteer
What is supplied?

- Provided in a standard double occupancy room...
- 2 Twin Extra Long beds
- 2 desks
- 2 desk chairs
- 1 or 2 dressers
- 2 closets
- Toilet paper
Personalizing Your Room

- Floor rug
- Students can raise, bunk, or loft their bed.
- Items hung on walls (if done in a way that will not damage walls & meets fire safety specifications)
- Mini fridge, available to rent
- Cleaning supplies
Assignments and Priority

- Assignment based on application completion date
- Muse is designed, programmed, and staffed for first-year student focused communities
- Assignment letters with roommate information are typically e-mailed to students’ Radford e-mail account around the 3rd week in July, but this date may be impacted due to COVID-19
Assignments: Additional Information

• Mutually requested Roommates:
  – Whom vs. Where
  – Must be requested through the Housing Application by all interested students
• After you’ve received your assignment, a change of roommate request (requires mutual request from all interested students) can be submitted via email res-life@radford.edu.
• No room changes are allowed during the first two weeks of classes
Roommates

• All incoming students will create a roommate agreement at the start of the year to help establish expectations and boundaries

• We encourage students to:
  – Keep an open mind
  – Respect Boundaries
  – Practice three habits:
    • Daily acknowledgement
    • Weekly tradition together
    • Check-in regularly; ask how the other person is doing in the relationship.
Radford University Boarding Policy

- Students are required to live on campus for 4 consecutive Fall and Spring semesters.
- Two-year contract
- Exceptions to this are limited but may be granted if the student meets any exemptions from the boarding policy: If they served in the military for at least 1 year, are married, or are living with immediate family who are permanent residents in commuting distance.
- We have a variety of housing options to meet your student’s needs: Suite, Double, Apartment, etc.
- We will offer roughly 750-800 apartment style beds in addition to traditional residence hall spaces. We will communicate with students in late fall about the housing sign-up process and how they can apply for apartment style housing.
Move-In

- Move-in for on-campus housing and University operated apartments will take place over an extended period **beginning Saturday, August 1 and ending Tuesday, August 11**.
- Move-in for new students will be complete by Sunday, August 9.
- Move-in will be followed by two days of **welcome activities** on Monday, August 10 and Tuesday, August 11.
- **Students will be sent instructions on how to sign-up for move-in slots on Wednesday, July 1.** The move-in sign-up period will go **through Wednesday, July 15**.
- Confirmations will be sent by the system automatically as students complete the process of signing up for their slot.
- After the Wednesday, July 15, 2020 deadline, outreach with instructions and reminders will be sent to students who signed up, and a reminder will be sent to students who did not sign up.
Odds and Ends

• Important Dates
  Last Day of Classes for Fall Semester: Monday, November 16th
  Fall Final Exams: Tuesday, November 17th - Friday, November 20th

• Special Needs - Students who qualify should register with the Center for Accessibility Services
• Renters Insurance options are available
• Communication with Families - The Highlander Family Newsletter is the best way to receive regular updates throughout the year: https://www.radford.edu/content/new-student-family-programs/home/highlander-family/staying-connected/family-newsletters.html
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