

How We Work With New Students

The Office of Residence Life and Housing Services provides resident students with a safe and comfortable living-learning community. We facilitate the on-boarding of students into the residence halls by providing roommate matching services, hosting a variety of programs and services to improve the residential experience, and ensuring that students follow the code of conduct.

Fast Facts

- 1) Our residence life staff undergo several weeks of training in August to prepare for the arrival of students.
- 2) We encourage students to take an active role in creating healthy roommate relationships. Students should first participate in roommate matching and then complete a mutual living agreement with their roommate.
- 3) Eighty-five percent of students who participate in roommate matching are satisfied or very satisfied with their housing experience, while only 6 percent of students who did not participate in roommate matching were very satisfied or satisfied with their housing experience.
- 4) We provide employment opportunities for students, excluding Federal Work Study.

Key Takeaways

New students need to recognize the responsibilities they take on by moving onto campus. Students and parents should familiarize themselves with residence life policies, the student code of conduct, and roommate procedures before arriving in the fall.

- How can students learn more about residence hall policies?
 - To find out more about the policies of our office, read the Guide to Residential Living and the Rams Eye View. You can find them on the WCU homepage.
- What is a roommate agreement?
 - A roommate agreement is a list of questions that roommates answer together to establish expectations for how they will share their space and communicate with each other. It will assist with intentionally planning for a healthy roommate relationship.

Acronyms and Definitions

Drop & Go - An opportunity for students to come to campus a week before the residence halls open to drop off all of their belongings and set up the major layout of their space. This program eases congestion and traffic on move-in day and allows students to connect with their roommate(s) and the staff in a more relaxed environment before officially moving in.

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