

# HOUSING SELECTION

INCOMING FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS | 2020



# THE PROCESS

The Housing Selection Process is the process through which incoming first-year students register for on-campus housing.

## HOUSING SECURITY DEPOSIT

All incoming students pay a \$300 enrollment deposit. For on-campus residents, \$100 of this deposit serves as an advance payment on the first semester bill. The other \$200 will be placed as a housing security deposit.

## HOUSING APPLICATION

The Housing Application for the 2020-2021 academic year opens at 3 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2020, in your Housing Portal. The application will close at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, June 5, 2020. Applications must be submitted online by this deadline.

The Housing Application includes the Housing Agreement, personal preference questions, emergency and medical questions, living requests, and meal plan selection.

## HOUSING AGREEMENT

The Housing Agreement is the first step of the Housing Application. You will be prompted to read through the 2020-2021 Housing Agreement and Provisions for Occupancy thoroughly before signing at the bottom, indicating that you agree to the terms of the agreement.

Much like signing a lease, signing the Housing Agreement is binding. Additionally, for incoming first-year students, acceptance of the Housing Agreement is an acknowledgement and understanding of the two-year residency requirement.

## PERSONAL PREFERENCES

Once you have accepted the terms of the Housing Agreement, you will next be prompted to respond to a series of personal preference questions. These questions survey information such as study habits, sleep patterns, smoking preferences, hobbies, cleanliness, etc. These responses may then be used to make roommate placements of students whom may be successful living together. We highly recommend that you answer these questions on your own and provide answers that are as honest and accurate as possible. This section is also where eligible students may indicate their interest in living in one of our Living-Learning Communities.

Finally, contained in this section are a series of optional emergency and medical questions. You may require assistance in responding to some of these questions.

Any responses provided in this section may be updated at any time, even after the application is submitted, under the Personal Information tab in your Housing Portal.

## ADDRESSES & EMERGENCY CONTACTS

You are required to provide information for at least one primary off-campus address and one emergency contact. Any responses provided in this section may be updated at any time, even after the application is submitted, under the Personal Information tab in your housing portal.

## LIVING REQUESTS

You are able to log up to three Living Requests, assigning each request a priority number of one, two, or three, with priority number one being your top choice of room and three being your last choice of room.

Incoming first-year students are given the option to select from single, double, or triple occupancy rooms as your preferences. Single and triple occupancy rooms are limited. The majority of the first year class will be placed in double occupancy rooms.

You may also indicate your interest in becoming a member of the Mission-Based Scholarship (Honors, Arrupe, Leadership, or Social Innovation Fellows), STEM, or Health and Wellness Living-Learning Communities. You are not able to preference which residence hall you would like to live in.

While the Office of Residence Life makes the best effort to accommodate all living requests as closely as possible, it is not guaranteed that you will receive a placement that matches your living requests. Placement priority is randomized. The submission date and/or time of your housing application does not impact the likelihood that you will receive a placement matching your requests.

Living requests cannot be updated after the application has been submitted. Please make sure to list your preferences as accurately as possible. In the event you do need to change your living requests, you will need to contact the Office of Residence Life directly.



## MEAL PLAN SELECTION

All residential students are required to be enrolled in a meal plan. You will be required to select a meal plan as part of the Housing Application. Your application will remain incomplete and you will be unable to submit the application until you make a meal plan selection.

After the application has been submitted, if you wish to change the meal plan you have selected to a different meal plan, you may do so under the Dining tab in the Housing Portal.

The last day to make a change to a meal plan selection for the Fall 2020 semester is Monday, September 28, 2020. After this date, all meal plan selections for the semester are final.

## APPLICATION SUBMISSION

After a meal plan selection has been made, the Housing Application can be submitted.

The application has not been submitted unless you have selected a dining plan, hit the submit button, and been presented with a confirmation page.

## PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN VERIFICATION

If you are or were under the age of 18 at the time the Housing Application was submitted, a parent or legal guardian signature on the Housing Agreement is required.

You will be asked to enter the email address of the parent or guardian you would like to receive the verification request. A request will be sent to the address entered.

The Housing Application is incomplete until the parental or legal guardian verification has been completed. You will not be able to access the roommate selection portal, be requested as a roommate, or receive a housing placement if this verification is incomplete.

This requirement cannot be bypassed, even if the previously underage student turns of-age before the Housing Application submission deadline has passed, as students are not able to resubmit the application.

If you need the verification form resent or the parent or legal guardian email address on file updated, please contact the Office of Residence Life for assistance.

## ROOMMATE SELECTION

Once the Housing Application has been completed, including the parent or legal guardian verification (if applicable), you will be able to gain access to the Roommate Selection feature under the Room and Roommate Selection tab in the Housing Portal. You may use this feature to self-select roommates by searching for your desired roommate(s) by first and last name.

**You will only be able to find the roommate you are looking for if they, too, have also already completed the Housing Application, including the parent or legal guardian verification (if applicable).**

All roommate requests must be submitted and mutually approved by the Housing Application deadline of Friday, June 5, 2020.

Students who do not meet the roommate request deadline or do not have a roommate request to submit will be matched using the personal preference responses surveyed in the Housing Application.

Roommate requests are strongly considered but are not guaranteed. No late roommate requests will be accepted.

**Important: We recognize that the roommate relationship is an important aspect of the residential experience. If you are indicating a roommate selection, please make sure you discuss with your potential roommate your expectations for living together and whether or not your living preferences are compatible (i.e, do you have similar sleep and study habits?).**

If you do not have a roommate identified, don't worry! We will use your personal preferences to match you with a roommate. In our experience, some of the best roommate relationships and friendships start this way!

## HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS

Housing assignments, including hall, room, and roommate(s), will be announced, via email, to your JCU email address in mid-July.

All housing assignments are final. As per the Housing Agreement, no assignment changes will be entertained until after the first two weeks of the semester. Not receiving your preferred housing assignment does not warrant release from the Housing Agreement.

## LIVING OPTIONS

For the 2020-2021 academic year, incoming first-year students may be offered housing in the following locations and of the following types:

### Campion

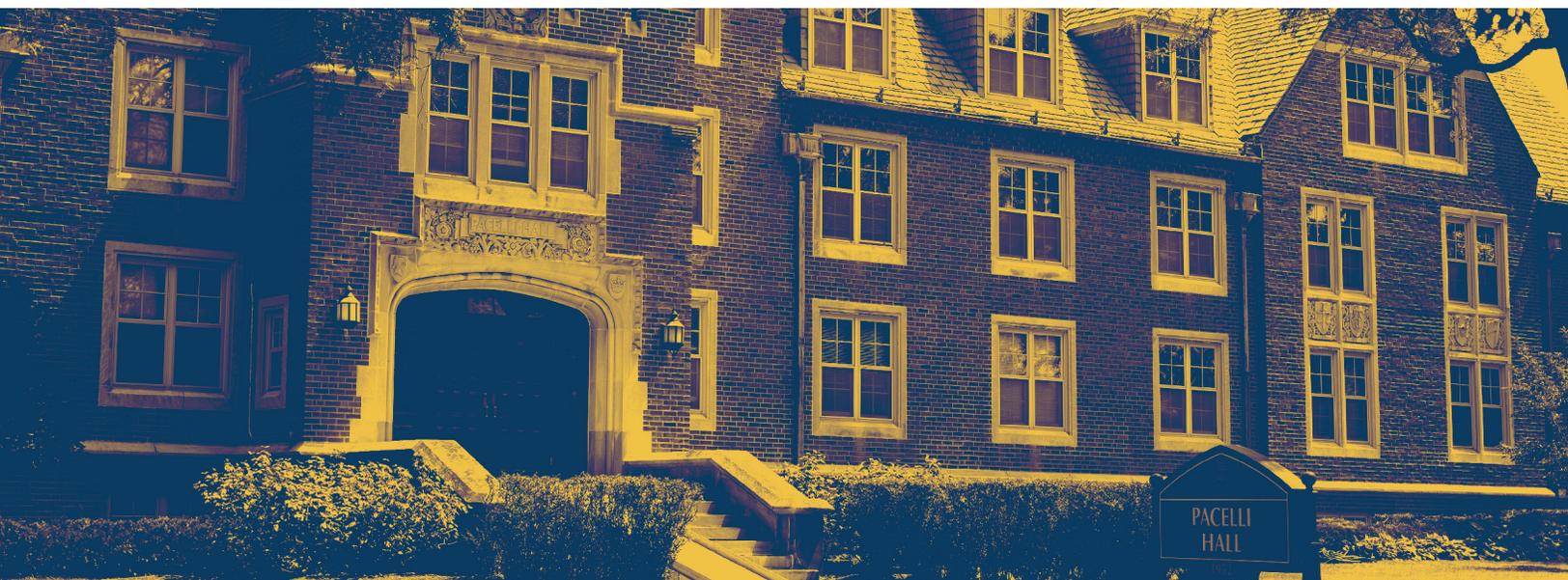
- Doubles
- Triples

### Hamlin

- Doubles
- Triples

### Pacelli

- Singles
- Doubles



# TIMELINE



## ROOM & BOARD RATES

### Campion Hall

Double Room - \$3,470/semester; \$6,940/year

Triple Room - \$2,725/semester; \$5,450/year

### Hamlin Hall

Double Room - \$3,470/semester; \$6,940/year

Triple Room - \$2,725/semester; \$5,450/year

### Pacelli Hall

Double Room - \$3,470/semester; \$6,940/year

Single Room - \$3,889/semester; \$7,778/year

### Residential Dining Plans

(required for all students living in the residence halls):

#### 14 Meals + 100 dining dollars

\$2,810/semester; \$5,620/year

#### Block 175 + 150 dining dollars

\$2,810/semester; \$5,620/year

#### Block 125 + 300 dining dollars

\$2,810/semester; \$5,620/year

#### Unlimited Meal Plan + 100 dining dollars

\$3,000/semester; \$6,000/year



## **BREAKS & HALL CLOSING**

The Housing Agreement and rates listed on previous page only cover the duration of the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 academic terms.

The residence halls remain open during the Fall, Thanksgiving, Spring, and Easter Break periods. Students are required to register to stay, but there is no additional cost.

The residence halls close for the Winter Break period. Limited housing may be available at an additional cost. Although the residence halls do close, you are not required to move your items out of your room over this break, as long as you plan to return to this space for the spring semester. You are, however, required to take all the items you will need over the break with you, as there will be no access granted to the halls during this time.

## **HALL PREFERENCES**

First-year students will be housed in Campion, Hamlin, or Pacelli Halls. However, you cannot preference which of these halls you would like to be placed in. You can preference your room type — single, double, or triple.

Assignments will be made across these halls, at random. The Office of Residence Life will not entertain any hall preference requests.



# LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Living-learning communities (LLCs) are specialized living areas centered around a common theme shared by the residents who live there. Programming and community-building efforts focus on this common theme to create a more immersive and beneficial experience both inside and outside of the classroom.

For the 2020-2021 academic year, there will be three different living-learning communities offered:

## **SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) LLC**

The STEM LLC is designed for students who have declared an academic major or undeclared major concentration in the science, technology, engineering, or mathematics fields. To be eligible for the STEM LLC, a student must be interested as a qualifying major at the time housing placements are being made. These majors include:

- Biology
- Cell and Molecular Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Data Science
- Engineering Physics
- Environmental Science
- Interdisciplinary Physics
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Undecided: Science, Mathematics, and Health



# LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITIES

## **HONORS, ARRUPÉ, LEADERSHIP SCHOLARS AND SOCIAL INNOVATION FELLOWS LLC**

The Honors, Arrupe, and Leadership Scholars and Social Innovation Fellows LLC is designed for students who have been accepted into any of these four Mission-Based Scholarship Programs. To be eligible for this LLC, a student must be accepted to and be part of one of these programs at the time housing placements are being made. For more information on these programs, please contact your enrollment manager.

## **HEALTH AND WELLNESS LLC**

New for the 2020-2021 academic year, the Health and Wellness LLC will provide students who are interested in healthy living and wellness to live together in community. Activities in the community will focus on physical, mental, and spiritual wellness.

If you are eligible for and interested in any of these LLCs, you can indicate your interest in the Living Requests portion of the Housing Application. If you complete your Housing Application and wish to update your LLC preferences at a later date, either due to a change of heart or change of eligibility status, you will need to contact the Office of Residence Life directly. Living Request changes will not be accepted after the Housing Application closes at 11:59 p.m. on June 5, 2019.

STEM or Honors, Arrupe, Leadership Scholars, and Social Innovation Fellows are not required to live in the designated LLC if you do not wish to (unless you are receiving a scholarship or grant that otherwise requires it).

## **LLC ROOMMATES**

Students interested in pursuing housing in an LLC are still able to self-select roommates, if you so choose. However, placement preference is given to individual students and roommate pairs or groups in which all students meet the eligibility requirements for the LLC first.

Self-selected roommate pairs or groups in which there is a member of the group not eligible for the LLC will only be considered for placement in the LLC if, and only if, there is still space after all other fully eligible and interested parties are placed into the LLC.

Students who are required to live in an LLC as a stipulation of a scholarship or grant should not pair with a roommate(s) who is not also eligible for the LLC.

## ATHLETE HOUSING

John Carroll University does not house students based on athlete status. There are no specifically designated areas or halls for student athletes or any sports teams. If an incoming first-year student athlete would like to live with another incoming first-year student teammate, the roommate request must be submitted and mutually approved using the Roommate Request feature before the deadline of Friday, June 5, 2020, at 11:59 p.m.



## UPDATING PERSONAL PREFERENCES

All personal preference responses can be updated at any time, even after the Housing Application has been completed. However, you will not be able to update personal preference responses through the application once it has been submitted. Instead, you can make updates under the Personal Information tab in the Housing Portal.

While you may update personal preference responses at any time, the answers on file at the time of housing placement are what will be used. Updating your responses after a placement has been made will not result in a change to your placement. Therefore, please make sure you are satisfied with your responses by the Housing Application close date of Friday, June 5, 2020, at 11:59 p.m.

Room type preferences cannot be updated after the Housing Application has been submitted.

### SWITCHING MEAL PLANS

All residential students are required to enroll in a meal plan. You will be required to select a residential meal plan as part of the Housing Application. You will be unable to submit your application until you make a selection.

However, if you wish to change your meal plan selection after you have submitted the Housing Application, you may still do so until Monday, September 28, 2020. While you will not be able to re-access the Housing Application after you have submitted it in order to make the change, you can make changes to your meal plan selection under the Dining tab in the Housing Portal.

### AIR CONDITIONING

None of the first-year residence halls have air conditioning.

However, if you have a medical need for an air conditioner, you may choose to submit an air conditioner request form, along with the proper physician's documentation, to the Student Health Center. This form can be found at [go.jcu.edu/airconditioner](http://go.jcu.edu/airconditioner).

If approved, you may bring your own air conditioner, according to the specifications outlined in the request form, and have it installed in your room for you.

You may not have an air conditioner without the proper prior medical approval.

# HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS

If you require a housing accommodation due to a medical, psychological, or other need, please contact the Student Accessibility Services (SAS) department about making these arrangements.

Accommodations related to housing must first be approved by SAS. Get more information at [jcu.edu/accessibility](http://jcu.edu/accessibility).

If you would like to request an accommodation due to religious or other personal reasons, please contact the Office of Residence Life directly.

# GENDER- INCLUSIVE HOUSING

The John Carroll University Office of Residence Life strives to provide an inclusive living-learning community welcoming to all students regardless of race, ethnicity or national origin, culture, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, ability, privilege, political ideology, religious affiliation, or citizenship. In order to ensure students feel welcome and comfortable in their living spaces, we will strive to provide reasonable and appropriate gender-inclusive housing accommodations, requested. Housing arrangements are made on a case-by case basis, in order to provide the best possible accommodations for each student's specific needs and preferences. Throughout this process all disclosed information regarding an individual's sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression will be kept confidential and shared only with University personnel on a need-to-know basis. To request gender-inclusive housing arrangements or to learn more, please contact the Senior Director of Residence Life, Lisa Brown Cornelius ([lbrown@jcu.edu](mailto:lbrown@jcu.edu)) or Associate Director of Housing Operations, Brendan Dolan ([bdolan@jcu.edu](mailto:bdolan@jcu.edu)).

# RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

John Carroll University has a two-year residency requirement. Students are required to live on campus for their first two years unless they are commuting from home. Commuting is defined as living exclusively in the permanent and primary residence of a parent or legal guardian. The home of the parent or guardian must be within 35 miles of the JCU campus.

Additionally, any student who opts into living on campus for their first year, even if their parents' or legal guardians' residence is within the 35 mile radius, is also committed to the two year residency requirement. Students under this requirement may be released from the two-year agreement if the proper Request for Release and Commuter Verification documentation is received and approved by the deadline prior to their participation in the Rising Sophomore Housing Selection Process for their second year.



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