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Housing Selection FAQs!

We have provided answers to our most frequently asked questions in the order you see below. Just click on a question and jump directly to the answer. Also below is a list of helpful links to review our webpages, videos, and guides for more information!

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How do I submit a Housing Application?

Housing Applications are available for Current Students right now on <u>Housing Central</u>! <u>Return to FAQ List</u>

How do I form a roommate group?

<u>We have a VIDEO for that!</u> First, all members of the roommate group must submit a Housing Application. Only students with a completed housing application can join roommate groups. You can watch the video to learn more about how to form a roommate group, adjust group members, and change the Group Leader. Return to FAQ List

What is a Group Leader?

Each roommate group will have one Group Leader. The Group Leader is the member of the group that will enter housing selection, pick a room, suite, or apartment, and assign all members of the group to spaces within the unit. By default, this is the student that sent the first invite to join their group. The Group Leader can assign any other roommate group member to be the Group Leader. Watch this <u>HELPFUL VIDEO</u> to learn more about how to form a roommate group, adjust group members, and change the Group Leader. <u>Return to FAQ List</u>

The members of my roommate group have lower earned credit hours than me. Will that affect my priority?

<u>We have a VIDEO for that!</u> Students that have joined a roommate group will receive two selection appointment times. A personal selection appointment time based on their own earned credit hours and a group selection appointment time based on the member of your roommate group with the highest credit hours.

For example, Harriet Hatter has 75 earned credit hours and Jane Stetson, a member of her roommate group, has 90 earned credit hours. The group selection appointment time will be based on Jane's 90 earned credit hours. If Harriet and Jane break up their roommate group, Harriet will still retain her personal selection time based on her 75 earned credit hours and Jane will retain her personal selection time based on her 90 earned credit hours. This is what we call "Dynamic" roommate groups, which means the group selection appointment times may adjust as members join or leave a roommate group based on the highest earned credit hours among the group members. Return to FAQ List

A member of my roommate group did not submit the Housing Application by the Priority Deadline. Can they still participate in Housing Selection?

Unfortunately, any students that submit the Housing Application after March 1st will not be permitted to participate in Housing Selection. We want to be fair and equitable in our housing processes and allowing students that missed the priority deadline to participate in housing selection would put those that did meet the deadline at a disadvantage. These students will be assigned manually by our office after Housing Selection ends.

Remember that if you are unable to select a space with all members of your roommate group, you can submit a *Request for Room Relocation* on Housing Central April 25, 2024 at 4:30pm - May 25, 2024 to request to live with specific students either by assigning the members of your roommate group to vacancies within your unit or by changing your room assignment to one that can house all members of your roommate group. Requests will be granted based on availability of space.

How do I get my housing selection appointment time?

Students participating in housing selection will receive their selection appointment time via email from RL&L on March 18th. Our office calculates and assigns selection appointment times based on student priority (earned credit hours). Each student will receive a personal selection appointment time and a roommate group selection time, if they are a member of a roommate group. The group selection time is the earliest appointment of the group members, as it is based on the member of the roommate group with the highest earned credit hours. You can watch this <u>HELPFUL VIDEO</u> to learn more about how to form a roommate group, adjust group members, and change the Group Leader.

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What does "Priority is based on Earned Credit Hours" mean?

We have a VIDEO for that! Housing selection appointments are assigned to students based on a specific priority criteria. The priority criteria we use is the number of credit hours a student has earned by the end of the Fall 2024 semester. We do not consider Spring 2025 Registered Credit Hours in determining priority because these credits are pending completion of courses and have not yet been earned. The higher a student's Earned Credit Hours, the earlier their housing selection appointment. Return to FAQ List

I am not available during my selection time. What do I do?

No problem! Once your selection time begins, you will have until selection closes on Sunday, March 23th at 11:59pm to select a space. So, even if you cannot enter selection right at your appointment time, you will have plenty of time to browse rooms and select a space for next year.

- **If you are part of a roommate group,** your Group Leader will be selecting housing for everyone in the roommate group. So, be sure the Group Leader is available at your appointment time or switch the Group Leader so a member that is available.
- If you are not part of a roommate group, you can contact our office during your selection time and our staff can assist in selecting an available space for you. Please remember we have a limited number of staff members available during selection, so consider that there may be a wait time.

Please Note: We will not be adjusting selection appointment times based on personal schedules or availability. This includes conflicts with work, class, sport, etc. schedules. Requests to adjust appointment times will be denied. Return to FAQ List

How do I actually select a room during Housing Selection?

<u>We have a VIDEO for that!</u> Watch this walkthrough video on How to Select a Room for step-by-step instructions and helpful tips when participating in Housing Selection! Return to FAQ List

I just transferred last year, but my credits make me a Senior. Am I eligible to participate in Housing Selection?

Yes! As you are just finishing your 1st year at Stetson, your three-year residency requirement has not been satisfied. Provided you submit your Housing Application by the Priority Deadline of March 1st, you will be automatically entered into the Housing Selection process taking place in March. Watch this <u>VIDEO</u> for more information about Housing Selection Eligibility.

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I withdrew from Stetson last semester, but I am coming back in the Fall. Can I participate in Housing Selection?

Yes! Provided that you have completed all steps of the Re-Entry process, submitted your Housing Application by March 1st, and you have not yet satisfied Stetson's three-year residency requirement, you will be automatically entered into Housing Selection. If you have already satisfied Stetson's residency requirement, you will be added to a wait list for Housing Selection and notified if you have been selected from the waitlist to participate. Watch this VIDEO for more information about <u>Housing Selection Eligibility</u>. <u>Return to FAQ List</u>

What residential buildings will be available in Housing Selection?

We have a VIDEO for that! Below is a list of the residential buildings that will be available during housing selection. Remember that the numbers below include both male and female spaces and availability will be based on your appointment time and which spaces have already been selected by other students with earlier appointment times. Be sure to have a second, third and even fourth building preference in case the building you want is not available during your selection time. Learn more about all of our Residential Communities online!

Building	Beds Available	
Chaudoin Hall	90 Female	0 Male
Emily Hall	65 Female	84 Male
Hatter Hall	34 Female	51 Male
Smith Hall	11 Female	11 Male
Stetson Cove	40 Female	20 Male
Stetson Oaks	27 Female	20 Male
Stetson Palms	16 Female	12 Male
University Hall	36 Female	28 Male
University Village Apartments	98 Female	84 Male

PLEASE NOTE: There are also several spaces in the list above in our suites and apartments that are designated as All-Gender, which are available to all students regardless of gender. The gender designation for the rooms above is based on several factors; gender breakdown of our current student population, earned credit hours, roommate groups, availability of the different housing styles in each building, historical housing selection and assignment data, etc.

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How can I get an assignment in University Village Apartments or Hatter Hall?

These are very popular residence halls with our upper-class students. Because housing selection appointments are based on earned credit hours (higher credit hours = earlier selection appointment), these locations typically fill up quickly during selection. Based on past years, these buildings were selected by students with 90+ earned credit hours. Our manual assignment process is also based on earned credit hours, so students that do not get to participate in housing selection will need around 90+ earned credit hours to receive an assignment to these locations.

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Can I get an individual room during Housing Selection?

Only about 30% of our residential rooms are individual rooms and most are located within <u>Hatter Hall, Stetson Cove, Stetson Oaks</u>, and <u>University Village Apartments</u>. These buildings are very popular with our upper-class students and are selected early in the Housing Selection process. Based on past years, students will need around 90+ earned credit hours to be able to select a space in Hatter Hall and University Village Apartments and 80+ credits to select an individual bedroom in Stetson Cove or Stetson Oaks.

Remember that if you are not able to select a space that meets your preferences, you can submit a *Request for Room Relocation* on Housing Central April 25, 2024, at 4:30pm - May 25, 2024, to request a different housing assignment. Requests will be granted based on availability of space.

If you have a diagnosed disability or disorder that requires specific housing accommodations, please be sure to <u>Apply for Accommodations</u> through the Accessibility Services Center. The ASC provides academic, housing, and dining accommodations for Stetson students. Return to FAQ List

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What is a 24-Hour Quiet Community and how do I apply?

At Stetson University, we are continually looking for ways to improve the student experience and adapt to the growing needs of the student body to support the success and development of individual students. This means seeking to provide diverse opportunities to address these needs, including providing a 24-hour Quiet Community for study and sleep.

24-hour Quiet Community is ideal for individuals who desire to focus on serious academic study, seek minimal distractions while studying, light sleepers, and/or individuals with non-traditional sleep schedules.

The 3rd floor of Hatter Hall is where the 24-hour Quiet Community is located. This community is defined as designated student residential spaces that are devoted to maintaining a quiet living environment conducive to sleeping or concentrated study for those that reside there.

To apply for a 24-Hour Quiet Community submit the **Residential Learning Program Application 2025/2026** available on Housing Central. If your application is approved, our office will contact you to sign a 24-Hour Quiet Community Agreement and assign you to Hatter Hall as space allows within the communities. Return to FAQ List

Are there options to live with someone of a different gender?

Yes! Stetson does offer All-Gender housing options in suite and apartment-style residence halls. Students that want to live with someone of a different gender than their own can search for other students interested in All-Gender housing using the Roommate Matching tool in Housing Central. Students in roommate groups with mixed genders will also be able to see All-Gender Housing options available during Housing Selection.

If you cannot find any All-Gender housing options during housing selection, contact our office to discuss availability. We can assist with identifying spaces that will accommodate mixed gender roommate groups! Return to FAQ List

I want to live with my animal on campus. How can I apply?

We have a VIDEO for that! Remember that University Hall, Stetson Cove and University Village Apartment Building 300 are the only Pet-Friendly residential buildings on campus. If you are thinking of bringing your Pet to campus, be sure to try your best to select an assignment in one of these locations and submit your *Request for Animal-in-Residence* ASAP. If you are unable to select a space in one of these locations and your request is approved, we will reach out with an offer for re-assignment to one of these Pet-Friendly buildings! Assignment is based on availability, so please be sure to have a backup plan for your Pet to live off campus if we are unable to approve your request.

If you have a diagnosed disability or disorder that requires the assistance of an Emotional Support Animal (ESA) or Service Animal, you must first <u>Apply for Accommodations</u> through the Accessibility Services Center. The ASC provides academic, housing, and dining accommodations for Stetson students. You must also submit the *Request for Animal-in-Residence* on Housing Central to provide animal specific information. **Both the Accommodation Request and the** *Request for Animal-in-Residence* **must be approved prior to your animal arriving on campus.** ESAs and Service Animals are permitted within all residential buildings in accordance with H.U.D. <u>Return to FAQ List</u>

I need specific housing based on a diagnosed disability or disorder. What do I do? We have a VIDEO for that! If you have a diagnosed disability or disorder that requires specific housing accommodations, please be sure to <u>Apply for Accommodations</u> through the Accessibility Services Center. The ASC provides academic, housing, and dining accommodations for Stetson students and will communicate approved housing accommodations to our office. We will then provide you with a housing assignment that meets your approved accommodations. If you already have a room assignment, we will reach out with an offer to re-assign you to a space that meets your approved accommodations. You can either accept the room change or request to keep your current assignment.

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What does Greek Housing look like?

We have a VIDEO for that! Our Greek organizations live in houses on campus. Each organization is responsible for providing RL&L with a roster of members that will be living in the house for the upcoming semesters. Sorority Houses offer shared bedrooms and large individual bedrooms with suite-style bathrooms. While Fraternity Houses offer shared bedrooms and large individual bedrooms with community-style bathrooms. The exception is Lambda Chi Alpha House, which provides residents with shared and large individual bedrooms with suite-style bathrooms. Learn more about the many Greek organizations at Stetson by visiting Fraternity and Sorority Involvement. Joining a Fraternity or Sorority is a great way to make friends and connections that will last a lifetime while giving back to the community!

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How much does housing on campus cost?

We have a WEBPAGE for that! Review all of the different housing styles in each of our residential buildings, the cost per semester of each housing style, and a description of each housing style. If you have concerns regarding the cost of campus housing, please reach out to Financial Aid (finaid@stetson.edu | 386-822-7120) to discuss your aid eligibility and awards. You can also contact our office to discuss assignment to one of our lower-cost housing options.

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Do residential rooms and apartments come with furniture?

Yes! Every bedroom comes fully furnished with a desk, desk chair, three-drawer dress, wardrobe or built-in closet and a bed (Twin XL or Full depending on location and room type - See the FAQ about bed size). Apartments are also furnished with a kitchen table and chairs and living room furniture, the style and size of each varies by apartment complex. Return to FAQ List

What size are the beds in campus housing?

All bedrooms on campus are equipped with a Twin XL size bed for each resident. The only exceptions are individual bedrooms in University Village Apartments and Stetson Cove. Residents assigned to these locations and room types will be provided with a full-size bed. Please be sure to review our <u>Packing Guide</u> for more helpful tips on what to and not to bring to campus!

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Helpful Links!

Housing Selection & Assignments:

- 2025-2026 Housing Selection Guide
- Stetson's Three-Year Residency Requirement <u>Video</u> & <u>Webpage</u>
- Living Off Campus Website for Exemption Requests
- Housing Selection Information Website
- Housing Selection Eligibility Video
- Housing Selection Appointment Video
- How to Form a Roommate Group Video
- How to Select a Room Video
- Housing Assignments Information Website
- What is All-Gender Housing? FAQ

Housing Options & Rates:

- Housing Rates Website
- <u>Residential Buildings & Communities Website</u>

Greek Life & Housing:

- Greek Housing Video
- Fraternity and Sorority Involvement Website

Housing Accommodations:

- Housing Accommodations Video
- Accessibility Services Center Website for Requesting Accommodations

Living with Your Animal:

- Animals in the Residence Halls <u>Video</u> & <u>Website</u>
- <u>Guide to Animal Friendly Housing</u>

Meal Plan Information:

- Meal Plan Options & Pricing Website
- Meal Pan Sign Up Form
- GET Mobile App to Track Meal and HatterBuck Usage