

# **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 New First-Year, Transfer and Graduate Students right now on <u>Housing Central!</u>

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## I'm a member of the Honor or Bonner Program. Do I participate in Housing Selection?

Member of the Honors or Bonner Program do not participate in Housing Selection. New students in these programs will be assigned by our office to Conrad Hall where we house these academic groups during their first year on campus. If you would like to live with a non-Honors/Bonner member, please contact our office directly as we have limited space in the building and cannot guarantee an assignment with your preferred roommate.

## I am a Student Athlete. Do I participate in Housing Selection?

New First-Year, Transfer, and Graduate Student Athletes do not participate in Housing Selection. These students are assigned by our office to various locations throughout campus in our Athlete Cohorts. Students will be assigned with their teammates in our first-year and upper-class buildings. Our office reserves space in these cohorts for incoming students and assignments are made based on Enrollment Deposit Date. As space is limited, students that deposit late may not be assigned to their sport cohort if space is unavailable. If you would like to live with a non-Student Athlete, please contact our office directly and we will discuss your housing options.

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## How do I form a roommate group?

We have a VIDEO for that! First, all members of the roommate group must submit a Housing Application. Only students with an approved 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.

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# What is a Group Leader?

Each roommate group will have a 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 promote another member of the group to be the Group Leader. Watch this <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/jeach.1001/je

#### What does "Priority is based on Enrollment Deposit Date" 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 date a student submits their Enrollment Deposit. The earlier the deposit date, the earlier the housing selection appointment.

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# My preferred roommate has a later Enrollment Deposit Date than me. Will that affect my priority?

We have a VIDEO for that! Students that have joined a roommate group will receive two selection appointment times. A personal selection appointment time based on their own enrollment deposit date and a group selection appointment time based on the member of your roommate group with the earliest enrollment deposit date.

For example, Harriet Hatter submitted the enrollment deposit on January 1st and Jane Stetson, a member of her roommate group, submitted their enrollment deposit on March 20th. The group selection appointment time will be based on Jane's January 1st deposit date. If Harriet and Jane break up their roommate group, Harriet will still retain her personal selection time based on her March 20th deposit date and Jane will retain her personal selection time based on her January 1st deposit date. 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 enrollment deposit date among the group members.

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# 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 the Priority Deadline of April 1<sup>st</sup> 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, 2025 at 4:30pm - May 25, 2025 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 the date the request is submitted and availability of space.

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#### 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 April 7<sup>th</sup>. Our office calculates and assigns selection appointment times based on student priority (enrollment deposit date). 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 earliest enrollment deposit date. You can watch this <a href="https://example.com/HELPFUL VIDEO">HELPFUL VIDEO</a> to learn more about how to form a roommate group, adjust group members, and change the Group Leader. Return to FAO 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, April 13<sup>th</sup> 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 the upcoming 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 to a member that is available.

If you are not part of a roommate group or both members of your group are unavailable, 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.

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#### 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!

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# I am a transfer/graduate student. Will I only be able to select spaces in first-year housing?

Our Housing Selection system allows transfer and graduate students to view first-year and upper-class student housing locations on campus. If you are a transfer student, you will have a greater variety of housing locations from which to select. You can choose to live in either first-year housing or upper-class housing, as space allows.

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# 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 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!

	Beds Available	
Carson Hall	0 Female	36 Male
Chaudoin Hall	44 Female	0 Male
Gordis Hall	56 Female	16 Male
Hollis Hall	16 Female	0 Male
Nemec Hall	22 Female	48 Male
Smith Hall	44 Female	50 Male
University Hall	10 Female	7 Male

**PLEASE NOTE:** Students that are interested in living in an All-Gender housing assignment, should reach out directly to Residential Living & Learning at <a href="reslife@stetson.edu">reslife@stetson.edu</a>. All-Gender Housing is available for students that would like to live with another student of a different gender than their own.

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#### Can I get an individual room during Housing Selection?

All first-year buildings available in Housing Selection will be shared bedroom style. Only about 30% of our residential rooms on campus are individual rooms and nearly all are located within our upper-class residential buildings. So while you may not have the opportunity to select an individual room in your first year at Stetson, more options will become available to you as you progress through your academic journey.

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.

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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.

Located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Hatter Hall, the 24-hour Quiet 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 community.

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

Yes! Stetson does offer All-Gender housing options for new students in suite -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 should contact Residential Living & Learning directly at <a href="mailto:reslife@stetson.edu">reslife@stetson.edu</a> to discuss their assignment options. Return to FAQ List

#### I selected the wrong room! What do I do?

It is important to review your options thoroughly before selecting a space during New Student Housing Selection. Once a selection is finalized, it cannot be changed until after Housing Selection closes on April 13<sup>th</sup>.

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.

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

We have a VIDEO for that! Remember that University Hall (first-year), Stetson Cove and University Village Apartment Building 300 (upper-class) 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 Apply for Accommodations through the Accessibility Services Center. The ASC provides academic, housing, and dining accommodations for Stetson students. Once your request is approved, you can 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. Return to FAQ List

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 Apply for Accommodations 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! Students new to Stetson can become a member of an organization and move into a Greek house as early as the Spring semester.

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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 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). Review our helpful Packing Guide to find out what items you should and should not bring to campus with you!

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# **Helpful Links!**

# **Housing Selection & Assignments:**

- 2025-2026 Housing Selection Guide
- Stetson's Three-Year Residency Requirement Video & Webpage
- 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
- Residential Buildings & Communities Website

#### **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 Video & Website
- Guide to Animal Friendly Housing

# **Meal Plan Information:**

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