Residential and Commuter Life Policies

These policies compliment the Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities and the Residential and Commuter Life Contractual Terms and Conditions by clarifying and expanding on important information regarding living on campus. Understanding and complying with these documents is the expectation and responsibility of all students living in university housing. These policies are designed for any student who resides on campus and any of their guests. Violations of these policies or policies contained in the aforementioned documents may result in disciplinary actions including sanctions, fines, contract cancellation, or removal from the university.

1. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES: See the Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities, Appendix A for all alcoholic beverages policies.

2. COMMUNITYLIMING

- a. Students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that is conducive to community living. This includes demonstrating respect for people of all genders, races, religious preferences, sexual orientation, and ethnic groups. Any act or threat that submits a member of the University community to physical, mental, or emotional pain is prohibited.
- b. Furniture in lobbies and common areas must remain in those areas and are not to be taken to student rooms.
- c. Personal items are prohibited from being left in common areas. This pertains, but is not limited to blankets, pillows, clothes, or garbage of any kind.

3. DAMAGES

- a. The student shall use the premises and personal property and furnishings of the University in a careful and proper manner. Students are responsible for the condition of their room and its contents as well as common areas. Students will be charged for individual or group damage that occurs. When deliberate or accidental damage is not assigned to an individual or group, all residents of that living space (unit, wing, floor, etc.) will share equal responsibility for the repair costs, and damage charges will be assessed to those student(s).
- b. Throwing or dropping any items out of windows or from stairs is prohibited. Throwing items at windows or campus property is also prohibited.
- c. Students are responsible for their own belongings when on campus. The university is not res Exceptions may be made for acts of God such as fire, flood, tornado, etc. or when university equipment is to blame.
- **4. DRUGS AND ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES**: See the Code of Student Rights and Responsibilities, Appendix B for all drugs and illegal substances policies.

5. ELECTRICAL FIXTURES

- a. Students may not remove or alter electrical fixtures or hardware.
- b. The use of double and multi-socket extension cords are all strictly prohibited. Power strips that are UL (Underwriters Laboratories) approved and have a circuit breaker button in addition to an on/ off switch may be used.

6. FAILURE TO COMPLY

- a. All residents are required to comply with the directions of Residential and Commuter Life Staff members acting in accordance with performing their duties.
- b. All residents are required to comply with meeting requests from any member of the Residential and Commuter Life Staff.
- c. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary actions including sanctions, fines, contract cancellation, or removal from the University.

7. KEYS

- a. Each student is issued the appropriate keys when they check-in. Keys are the responsibility of the student and are not to be given to others for use. A student is required to return all keys issued to them. A charge may be assessed for any key needing to be replaced.
- b. When a lost key necessitates changing one or more room locks, the student may be responsible for the cost of the lock and key replacement.
- c. It is a violation of state law and University policy to duplicate keys to any lock on University property.

8. PAINTING

- a. Students are not permitted to paint their rooms. Hall murals are also not permitted.
- b. Students in houses or apartments may not paint any part of their residence; room, living space, kitchen, etc.

9. LIVING SPACE MODIFICATION

- a. Students may not make any modifications to their living spaces unless approved by the Residential and Commuter life. This includes but is not limited to:
 - i. Painting
 - ii. Television wall fixtures
 - iii. Permanent yard work
 - iv. Carpeting
 - v. Hanging permanent shelving

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- vii. Halogen lamps unless they are equipped with a protective screen.
 viii. Hazardous Materials Materials which are hazardous to the health and safety of residents are not permitted in Residence Halls. These include, b0.006 1 180.02 698.38 Timese include.

- i. Christmas Lights Christmas lights may be used for decorative purposes in student rooms. Lights are limited to the indoor style and are to be kept to a minimum. Please exercise caution and care by not using extension cords and turning off lights when you depart your room.
- ii. ii. Christmas Trees

20. SPORTS

 a. Engaging in any sport activity is not allowed in the residence halls without prior sanction by Residential and Commuter Life staff. This is for the safety and security of all students.