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**Housing Office Staff**
The Office of Housing and Residential Life is located in room 241 on the second floor of the Wood Support Services Center. There you will find the director, associate director, assistant director, administrative assistant and a host of student workers who are able to answer your questions and help you with your issues and concerns. The office staff may be reached at (860) 465-5297 and the office is open from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

**Professional Live-In Housing Staff**
Each residential area is supervised by a Hall Director (HD). Directors are professional housing staff member, responsible for the overall operation of the residence hall. The mission of the HD is to give you the personal assistance, guidance and advice you need. Their responsibilities include physical maintenance of the facility; programming directed toward educational, cultural and social goals; disciplinary action and advising of individuals and groups of students. The professional staff are trained in management, programming, facilitating conversations and guidance.

The professional staff for your residential area reserves the right to meet with you at any time deemed necessary during your stay at Eastern. The professional staff supervises all of the student staff employed by Housing and Residential Life within the area to which they are assigned.

**The Mission and Vision Statement of Housing and Residential Life**
The Office of Housing & Residential Life strives to provide a nurturing, safe, inclusive, enriching environment that fosters lifelong learning and allows students to grow intellectually and socially. Students will be exposed to an interactive living-learning experience that provides hands-on opportunities to interact with students in the residential communities designed to make their college experience meaningful.

Housing & Residential Life aspires to be an integral component of the collegiate experience at Eastern wherein students will be engaged holistically to aid in their overall development and academic success. Pursuing recognition for our first-class facilities, student-centered staff, high achieving residents, innovative programs and trendsetting initiatives, our assessed outcomes will demonstrate that we are a vibrant community of scholars who meaningfully contribute to the mission of Eastern Connecticut State University.
**Resident Assistant Staff**
Each residence area is fully staffed by a team of student paraprofessionals called Resident Assistants (RAs). RAs are carefully selected and trained to help their peers create a community environment conducive to individual and social growth. Each RA strives to empower students to identify needs and establish goals, be available to students in times of need, provide opportunities for student engagement in the residential and campus community and assist individual students in realizing and implementing a mature approach to personal conduct. RAs have a vested interest in helping to maintain a community that is inclusive to everyone who wishes to live on campus and to succeed both inside and outside of the classroom. RAs also facilitate floor meetings and health and safety inspections on a monthly basis or as required. We encourage you to call upon your RA as a resource person in gathering information and answering questions about the University.

**Office Assistant and Duty Assistant Staff**
Office Assistants (OAs) and Duty Assistants (DAs) are students employed by the Office of Housing and Residential Life to aid in the daily function of each residential area. Office Assistants typically staff the offices during the daytime hours prior to 7 p.m. and Duty Assistants typically work evening hours to assist Resident Assistants.
Eastern’s Residence Halls
Each residence hall provides lounges equipped with cable television, study spaces, laundry facilities and vending machines. Some halls may have microwaves available in designated common areas as well as board/video games available to be checked out by residents. Vacuum cleaners, brooms, dustpans, mops and pails are also available from your Hall Office.

Participation in the Silver meal plan is required of all first-year students living in residence halls and all students assigned to non-kitchen residence hall facilities.

All Eastern residence halls are alcohol- and smoke-free. The use of smokeless tobacco products and e-cigarettes in the residence halls is prohibited.

Eastern Residence Hall Facilities
Burr Hall
Typical room: Three-person (Triple) 14’ wide x 17’ long. Furnished with large, built-in closets; bed; desk; and dresser. Carpeted hallways; no carpet in rooms. Two data lines and cable.

Housing 115 students in two- and three-person rooms, Burr is the oldest residence hall on campus. Built in 1921, it is located on the southern part of campus adjacent to Shafer Hall, currently Eastern's main performing and fine arts classroom and administrative building. A lovely and spacious main lounge is available for television viewing, group study, or programming. A workout room, computer lab and lounge with a pool table and TVs is located on the ground floor; laundry and vending facilities on the first floor. Since Burr is the furthest residence hall from Hurley dining facilities, residents may enjoy continental breakfast at the Closet Café in Shafer Hall each morning when classes are in session.

Burnap and Crandall Halls
Typical room: Two-person (Double) 12’ wide x 15’ long. Furnished with free-standing wardrobes, bed and desk. Carpeted hallways; no carpet in rooms. Two data lines and cable.

Located at the northern end of campus next to Hurley Hall, Burnap and Crandall Halls house 90 men and women in two-person rooms and three three-person rooms. Each room has a bed, desk, chair and a closet/dresser unit for each resident. Each floor has a TV lounge, laundry, bathroom and shower facilities. Vending machines and a pool table are available in the lobby area. Residents are required to purchase the Silver meal plan but may elect to purchase the Gold meal plan. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

Constitution Hall
Typical suite: Four-person (Double) 9’ wide x 19’ long. Furnished with bed, desk, dresser and closets. Carpeted rooms. One data line per student and cable.

Constitution Hall is located in the center of campus and is part of the South Residential Village complex. Constitution houses 250 men and women in four-person suites. Each suite includes two double bedrooms, a bathroom, a vanity area and central heat/air conditioning. Constitution is also equipped with PC Labs/Study lounges on the second – fifth floors, a game room, a meeting room, an exercise room and laundry facilities. Students living in Constitution Hall are required to purchase the Silver meal plan but may elect to purchase the Gold meal plan.
Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

**Mead Hall**

Typical suite: Five-person (Double & Triple) 11’ wide x 15’ long. Furnished with large, built-in closets; bed; and desk. Carpeted rooms. Two data lines per room and cable. Microwaves are permitted in the common area of suites but not in bedrooms.

Mead Hall houses 381 men and women in five-person suites, one two-person bedroom and one three-person bedroom. Each suite has a common living area, one private bathroom and central heat and air conditioning. The bedrooms are furnished with beds, study desks, dressers, desk chairs, built-in closets and windows with blinds. Mead Hall is equipped with laundry facilities, an exercise room, a game room with a pool table, ping pong and air hockey tables and a computer/study lounge, all located on the ground floor. Vending facilities and TV lounges are available throughout the building. Mead Hall residents are required to purchase the Silver meal plan but may elect to purchase the Gold meal plan. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

*Occum Hall first and second floors do not have kitchens. Residents are required to participate in the Silver meal plan.*

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**Hall Name**  | **Hall Style**  | **Required Meal Plan**  | **Additional Services**
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Burnap Hall  |  |  |  |
Burr Hall  |  |  |  |
Constitution Hall  |  |  |  |
Crandall Hall  |  |  |  |
High Rise  |  |  |  |
Laurel Hall  |  |  |  |
Low Rise  |  |  |  |
Mead Hall  |  |  |  |
Niejadlik Hall  |  |  |  |
Noble Hall  |  |  |  |
Nutmeg Hall  |  |  |  |
Occum Hall*  |  |  |  |
Winthrop Hall  |  |  |  |

*Occum Hall first and second floors do not have kitchens. Residents are required to participate in the Silver meal plan.*
Niejadlik Hall

Typical suite: Four-person suites with single bedrooms. 9’ wide x 11.6’ long. Furnished with bed, desk, dresser, built-in closets, window blinds and one data line per room and cable. Tiled hallways and carpeted rooms. Microwaves are permitted in the common area of suites but not in bedrooms.

Niejadlik Hall houses 140 men and women in four-person suites. Each suite has a common living area, two private baths and central air/heat. Single bedrooms are furnished with beds, study desks, dressers, desk chairs, built-in closets and windows with blinds. Computer and study rooms, television lounges, an exercise room, laundry and vending facilities are also available. Niejadlik is also equipped with a large multi-purpose room, often used for building events. Because Niejadlik Hall is not equipped with kitchen facilities, all students are required to purchase the Silver meal plan and may elect to purchase the Gold meal plan. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

Winthrop Hall

Typical room: Two-person (Double) 14’ wide x 11’ long. Furnished with large, built-in closets; desk; and bed. Carpeted hallways; no carpet in rooms. One data line and cable.
Winthrop houses 75 men and women in two-person rooms and one three-person room. The small population promotes a strong community in the hall. Winthrop is equipped with a computer lab, gaming area, TV lounges, vending machines and laundry facilities. Winthrop residents are required to purchase the Silver meal plan and may elect to purchase the Gold meal plan. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

**Noble Hall**
Typical bedroom: Two-person (Double) 9’ wide x 15’ long. Furnished with closet, bed, desk and dresser. Carpeted hallways and rooms. One data line and cable.

Noble Hall is located at the southern boundary of campus and houses 216 men and women in four- and six-person apartments. Each apartment includes two-person bedrooms, a bathroom, a living area, kitchen facilities and central heat/air conditioning. Noble is equipped with two game rooms, both with TV and video game capability. One has a full-size pool table, the other has vending machines, a foosball table and an air hockey table. There are two PC/Study rooms, a meeting room, an exercise room and lounge space. Laundry facilities are also available. Students living in Noble Hall are not required to purchase a meal plan but may elect to do so. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

**Nutmeg and Laurel Halls**
Typical apartment: Four-person (Single) 8’ wide x 11’ long. Furnished with closet, bed, desk and dresser. Carpeted rooms. One data line per student and cable.

Nutmeg Hall is located in the center of campus and is part of the South Residential Village complex. Nutmeg Hall houses 246 men and women. Each four-person apartment includes four single bedrooms, a bathroom, a shower room, a living area, kitchen facilities and central heat/air conditioning. Nutmeg is also equipped with a lounge on the second – sixth floors, a computer lab, a game room, a meeting room and laundry facilities. Students living in Nutmeg Hall are not required to purchase a meal plan but may elect to do so. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

Laurel Hall is located in the center of campus and is part of the South Residential Village complex. Laurel houses 255 men and women in four-person apartments. Each apartment includes four single bedrooms, a bathroom,
a shower room, a living area, kitchen facilities and central heat/air conditioning. Laurel is also equipped with floor lounges on the second – seventh floors, computer lab, meeting room, game room and laundry facilities. Students living in Laurel Hall are not required to purchase a meal plan but may elect to do so. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

Occum Hall

Typical bedroom: Two-person (Double) 10’ wide x 16’ long. Furnished with closet, bed, desk and dresser. Tiled hallways and carpeted bedrooms. One data line and cable.

Located on the northern end of campus across from Hurley Hall, Occum houses 243 men and women in four- and six-person apartments. Each apartment on the first and second floors (transfer housing) includes two-person bedrooms, a bathroom, a living area, sink and refrigerator and central heat/air conditioning. Laundry facilities, multi-media room, PC lab, exercise room and vending machines are also located within the building. Occum Hall residents on the first and second floors are required to purchase the Silver meal plan but may elect to purchase the Gold meal plan. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

Transfer students are assigned based on age and number of credits transferring into Eastern (only those credits known at time of placement can be taken into account). Occum Hall transfer beds are reserved for transfer students who are older than the traditional freshmen students and have over 60 credits. Students with less credits may be assigned to these spaces as needed.
**High Rise**
Typical bedroom: High Rise–Single 9’ wide x 9’ long; two-person (Double) 13’ wide x 11’ long. Furnished with bed, desk and dresser. One data line and cable.

Located in the center of campus next to the Health Services Center, High Rise is a nine-story apartment complex that has four-person (double bedrooms) and five-person (single bedrooms) apartments and houses 220 students. Each apartment includes bedrooms, a bathroom, a living area and kitchen facilities. High Rise apartments have central heating/air conditioning. Mailboxes, vending machines and laundry facilities are located in High Rise. A computer lab is also available, which is located in High Rise. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.

**Low Rise**
Low Rise–Single 10’ wide x 7’ long; two-person (Double) 11’ wide x 12’ long. Furnished with bed, desk and dresser. One data line and cable.

Located in the center of campus next to the Health Services Center, Low Rise is five separate buildings surrounding a courtyard with four- (double bedrooms) and six-person (single bedrooms) apartments and houses 326 students. Each apartment includes bedrooms, a bathroom, a living area and kitchen facilities. Mailboxes, vending machines and laundry facilities are located in High Rise. A computer lab is also available, which is located in High Rise. Smoking is not permitted in any of the residence halls.
Health and Safety Guidelines
The health and safety of our residents is taken very seriously in Residential Life. Health and safety inspections are conducted at scheduled times by resident assistants to ensure your living space is in acceptable condition. Additionally, the presence, possession and/or usage of the following items is prohibited:

- Microwaves (only permitted in apartments with kitchens, Mead and Niejadlik common areas)
- Refrigerators over 4.4 cubic feet
- Cooking appliances such as hot pots/plates and toasters (only permitted in apartments with kitchens)
- Fire hazards such as candles, incense, wax/tart warmers, hot pots/plates, barbecue grills, extension cords (UI approved surge protectors are permitted), tapestries, flags halogen lamps or lamps with plastic shades, wooden futons or wicker furniture
- Air conditioners or space heaters
- Alcohol and alcohol containers including shot glasses, flasks or other common-source containers
- Narcotics and/or illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia
- Cigarettes, e-cigarettes, chewing tobacco, medical marijuana and smokeless tobacco products
- Weapons of any kind
- Wireless routers
- Pets (except fish in a 10-gallon tank or less)
- Double-sided tape or duct tape (painters tape should be used on walls/doors)
- Darts and/or dart boards or any other decorations deemed unsafe by University officials.

Failure to comply with these and other measures outlined in the Housing Contract will result in confiscation of prohibited items and referral to the judicial process.
Community Living
Creating a community that enhances your college experience is a high priority at Eastern. The Office of Housing and Residential Life strives to make your living environment more than a place to sleep. We are committed to providing you with the opportunities that allow you to laugh, smile, have fun and learn more about yourself and others. You are given the chance to meet and get to know people of various backgrounds and experiences. We want your living environment to be part of your success at Eastern. You should realize that you play an important part in the community of your building.

Residence Hall Associations (RHA)
Does making decisions about life in the residence halls and apartments appeal to you? Do you want to be involved in your community and meet people? If the answer is yes, get involved! Each Residence Hall has its own association which plans social and educational events in each of the buildings and enhances the community at Eastern. Any resident at Eastern can join. With your ideas and help, these organizations plan various activities to develop a strong community on campus. They are also a great place to gain leadership experience.

University Residential Outreach Council (UROC)
UROC works in collaboration with the individual Residence Hall Associations, Housing and Residential Life, Athletics, academic departments and other university departments to enhance programming and events for residence hall students with an emphasis on academic, cultural, social and weekend events and programs. UROC supports the RHAs through weekly meetings, for more information please join us at a meeting.

Friday After Dark
The Office of Housing and Residential Life is committed to having a vibrant campus atmosphere where both academic and socially enriching activity takes place. The Friday After Dark series offers students the opportunity to take part in a myriad of activities each semester. Some events that have taken place are: Eastern, Luau, The Big E, DC Trip, Western Night, Fall Harvest, Ice Skating, Snowed In.
Theme Housing
Theme Housing communities strive to create opportunities that will enhance the out of classroom experiences for students. Theme housing communities range from being academic in nature (Honors Scholars, Education and Math, SophMORE Experience) to extracurricular activities (Fun and Games, Food for Thought) to helping students become responsible citizens (Cultural Celebrations, Civic and Community Engagement, Men on a Mission). Students work closely with other offices on campus through participation in theme housing and students also have the opportunity in the spring to apply for and create new theme housing communities.

Dean’s Cup
The Dean’s Cup is an annual competition between all 12 Residential Halls, giving each hall the opportunity to display their commitment to personal and academic success along with hall and school spirit. Sample events are Arts & Lecture Series, Blood Drive, Box Tops for Education, dodge ball, Cultural Celebration events and Hall Olympics.

Public Safety and Shuttle Service
The Department of Public Safety at Eastern has a variety of resources to help make your time here as safe and enjoyable as possible. These resources include a full staff of State Police Officers, on duty 24 hours a day. Officers patrol the campus (in patrol cars and on bicycles) and walking through the buildings on a regular basis. Feel free to approach them and ask any questions you have.

IDEAL (Individualized Developmental Experiences And Learning) Residential Portfolio
Education grounded in the liberal arts focuses on well-rounded, holistic learning where students are intentional about the education that they receive. The residential experience will complement that educational philosophy by encouraging students to take full advantage of their collegiate experience to supplement their classroom learning. Students compile their portfolio to receive incentives, but also to demonstrate their holistic experiences at Eastern.
The Department of Public Safety maintains three shuttle buses which run a fixed route on campus during the academic year. This service is free to students with an Eastern ID. Visit http://easternct.transloc.com to see the live location of the shuttle.

Campus Escorts, also maintained by the Department of Public Safety, are students who patrol the campus in the evening and are available to walk you from building to building. This service is free to students and may be accessed by calling the University Police Dispatcher at (860) 465-5310.

**SGA Shuttle**
Sponsored by the Student Government Association (SGA) an off-campus shuttle service is available for students. The shuttle operates Monday through Wednesday from 6 - 10 p.m. stopping at several locations on-campus and the following stops off-campus: Eastbrook Mall and Wal-Mart.

**Annual Housing Contract**
The annual housing contract binds students to housing for the entire academic year (fall and spring semesters) during the regular semesters and does not include winter or summer. Students have until May 31 to cancel the contract for the upcoming fall semester and new residential students for the spring (students who did not live on campus in the fall) have until December 1 to cancel the contract for the spring semester. To request a release before the deadline, students must complete a “housing contract cancellation request,” which can be found here, http://www1.easternct.edu/housing/annual-contract/. After the deadlines, a student must complete the form, which then is reviewed by a committee to determine if the student will be released from housing or not. Students who are not released from the contract remain assigned to housing and are responsible for all housing charges.
Campus Map Key

24 Admissions Building
45 Arboretum Entrance
55 Athletic Locker Facility
52 Baseball Field
2 Beckert Hall
36 Burnap Hall
6 Burr Hall
7 Center for Community Engagement
47 Center for Early Childhood Education
41 Cervantes Parking Garage
48 Child and Family Development Resource Center
28 Communication Building
14 Constitution Hall
10 Counseling & Psychological Services
11 Counseling & Psychological Services
39 Crandall Hall
22 Eastern Hall
46 Facilities Management, Planning & Maintenance
42 Facilities Warehouse
31 Fine Arts Instructional Center (Fall 2015)
30 Gelsi-Young Hall
26 Goddard Hall
8 Grant Alumni House
5 Greenhouses
18 Health Services
27 Heating Plant, North
4 Heating Plant, South
19 High Rise Apartments
40 Hurley Hall/Dining Services
50 Institute for Sustainable Energy
12 Interfaith Center
53 Intramurals Field
23 J. Eugene Smith Library
15 Laurel Hall
17 Low Rise Apartments
44 Mead Hall
34 Nevers Soccer Field
37 Niejadlik Hall
1 Noble Hall
16 Nutmeg Hall
38 Occum Hall
20 Science Building
3 Shafer Hall
35 Shakespeare Parking Garage
51 Softball Field
33 Sports Center
32 Student Center
43 Tennis Courts
54 Track & Field Complex
9 University Honors House
49 University Police
21 Webb Hall
25 Wickware Planetarium
13 Winthrop Hall
29 Wood Support Services Center

Eastern Connecticut State University
Eastern Connecticut State University is undergoing extensive construction at this time. While every effort has been made to accurately reflect campus locations at the time of posting, we do apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.
Your dining services are managed by Chartwells, a nation-wide food service company. They work closely with the University administration and student food service committee to provide a variety of nutritious menu options combined with personalized service for a pleasant dining experience, including those with vegetarian or gluten-free needs.

Residents of Burnap Hall, Burr Hall, Crandall Hall, Mead Hall, Niejadlik Hall, Constitution Hall, Winthrop Hall and the first and second floors of Occum Hall are required to be on the Silver meal plan and are automatically assigned. All students may upgrade to a higher meal plan. Residents of Laurel Hall, Noble Hall, Nutmeg Hall, High Rise, Low Rise, the third and fourth floors of Occum and commuters may sign up for any meal plan.
Meal Plans
Eastern offers a series of different meal plans to accommodate the busy lives of students. Each meal plan offers a level of access to Hurley Hall, the on-campus dining hall and depending on the plan, may offer Dining Dollars and Guest Meals. Hurley Hall access can range from unlimited access to as few as 50 meals a semester. Below is a brief description of the meal plans available, for more information please visit the Food Services web site: http://www.dineoncampus.com/easternct/.

GOLD - Premium Plan with maximum flexibility and the most Guest Meals

SILVER - Required of all first-year students and Niejadlik Hall residents and residents on Occum Hall first and second floors

150 BLOCK - Purchase of additional blocks is an option at any point during the semester

75 BLOCK - Purchase of additional blocks is an option at any point during the semester and corresponds to 5 meals a week

50 BLOCK - Purchase of additional blocks is an option at any point during the semester

Dining Dollars
The Gold, Silver and 150 block meal plans include Dining Dollars. Any balances from the fall carry over to the spring but are not refundable at the end of the academic year and can be used only in food service locations: Hurley Hall Food Court, The Library Cafe and The Closet Cafe. Dining Dollars are not accepted at the bookstore, laundry machines, copiers, printers, vending machines, or as money used to pay fines.

Meal Prices
The Gold, Silver and 150 block meal plans include guest meals. When your parents or friends drop by for a visit, invite them to dine with you. You may purchase guest meals with cash, dining dollars, or your Eastern Expre$$ Card in Hurley Hall. Rates are found on the Food Services web site.

To Go Containers
No time to eat? Swipe your card and take a to go container to class or back to your residence hall. Available after 11 a.m.

Box lunches are available as well. Arrangements can be made in advance through Food Services, (860) 465-5207, Hurley Hall.
Cable
All student rooms are equipped with a basic expanded cable package that includes HBO. At the beginning of each semester representatives of Charter Communications are on-campus to take sign-ups and provide additional information for students that wish to individually purchase additional services.

Card Services and EasternExpre$$
The Card Services Office supervises the Eastern Expre$$ program along with electronic fob access for buildings and validation stickers. Eastern Expre$$ allows students and parent’s the opportunity to put money on a student’s Eastern Expre$$ either in person or via the Internet. These funds can be used throughout the year at the bookstore, food service locations around campus, laundry facilities and assorted off-campus vendors.

Cleaning Equipment
Vacuum cleaners, brooms, dustpans, mops, plungers and pails are all available from the hall/apartment office in your area. You must present your Eastern Expre$$ Card at the time you request these items. Your Eastern Expre$$ Card will be returned to you when you return the borrowed equipment. Availability of equipment may vary from building to building.

Housekeeping Staff
The University supports a housekeeping staff as part of its physical plant operations. This staff is hired for routine cleaning of common areas in each of the buildings. Housekeeping staff is not responsible for cleaning student rooms throughout the semester.

Residence Life and Related Services
The Office of Housing and Residential Life offers a multitude of services and works in conjunction with other offices and off campus vendors to provide the best service possible.
Laundry Facilities
There are Eastern Expre$$ Card or coin-operated washing and drying facilities available in each residential area. Information is available from the Card Services Office and on their web site regarding how to deposit money on your Eastern Expre$$ Card.

Mail Service and U.S. Postal Mailboxes
Upon arrival in your residential area, you are assigned a mailbox and given a mailbox combination or key. All U.S. Postal and campus mail will be delivered to this mailbox. It is important to list the full and accurate name of your building and mailbox number using the following format.

Your Name
Your Residence Hall and Room with Letter
Your Mailbox Number
Eastern Connecticut State University
83 Windham Street
Willimantic, CT 06226

Student IDs/Eastern Expre$$ Cards
Eastern Student IDs (Eastern Expre$$ Cards) are obtained through the Card Services Office (860) 465-5060 in the Support Services Building. Eastern Expre$$ Cards are made and distributed during the Student Orientation Advisement and Registration (S.O.A.R.) program.
Housing Selection Process
Eastern’s Housing Selection Process is aligned with Eastern’s Core Values; Academic Excellence, Engagement, Inclusion, Integrity, Empowerment and Social Responsibility. The process was designed after gathering information from student focus groups and reviewing best practices at other institutions.

Students currently in housing that wish to return to campus from the spring semester to the fall must take part in the room selection process. Students earn housing priority points based on their academic performance and their participation in the Eastern community. Students select their housing based on their number of priority points (highest to lowest) earned by April 1.

Credits - Academic Excellence & Engagement
Students earn one point for every credit on their transcript with a maximum point total of 90.

GPA - Academic Excellence
With a focus on academic excellence, this value is determined by taking a student’s cumulative GPA and cubing the value.

Housing Educational Programs - Engagement, Inclusion & Empowerment
Research indicates that learning occurs outside of the classroom. RAs provide these opportunities by hosting various educational, building-wide events. Students earn a point for each educational program they attend.

Center for Community Engagement and Housing Community Service Programs - Social Responsibility & Engagement
Community service benefits both the volunteer and the community. Each housing community service program is worth a minimum of one point.

Conduct Score - Integrity & Social Responsibility
Living on-campus is not a right, it is a privilege. Living in a community demands that students be responsible for their actions and act with integrity. Therefore, all students can earn up to 20 points for how they conduct themselves at Eastern. Students who are found responsible for violating the Student Code of Conduct lose points from this category.

Campus Participation - Engagement
Students earn points for being an active participant in a student government recognized organization or by being an Eastern varsity athlete. Students may also earn points by participating in their Residence Hall Association (RHA), University Residential Outreach Council (UROC), Leap Into Leadership and IDEAL Residential Portfolio.

More information about the Room Selection Process and Priority Point System can be found on the housing web site: www1.easternct.edu/housing/
Making the transition to college and making a connection to campus life once you are there, can be a frightening prospect. Choosing to live on campus can help ease the transition to life on your own, jump start your social life and help you meet many new and diverse individuals. As a campus resident you will be more plugged-in to the campus community and have more opportunities to join clubs, attend campus events, meet new people and develop friendships. In addition, you will be closer to classes, the Student Center, the library and many other campus resources. Unlike off-campus living, the residence halls and campus apartments provide you with a unique living environment in which all of your neighbors are students just like you. There are many great reasons to live on campus. Here are the Top Ten!

1. **Live Smart**
   National studies show that students who live on campus tend to earn better grades, are more satisfied with their college experience and are more likely to graduate than those who live off campus.

2. **Live Close**
   When students live on campus they don’t have to waste time sitting in traffic, searching for parking or filling up on gas. Facilities such as the Student Center, Sports Center, Dining Hall, Library and the Student Health Center are all within walking distance from on-campus housing.

3. **Live Safe**
   Safety and security are emphasized on-campus. The Eastern Police Department and Housing staff are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Additionally, emergency call boxes are located throughout campus and residence halls are access-controlled.

4. **Live Cheaper**
   At first glance it might seem less expensive to live off campus. But, when you consider all the costs (rent, food, gas, electricity, water, trash, phone, cable, Internet, furniture, etc.) living off campus can be very expensive. It’s not only cheaper to live on-campus, it’s also easier because everything is covered in one convenient bill.

5. **Live Connected**
   Campus housing costs include cable TV and high-speed data connectivity. In addition, most of our housing facilities feature computer labs.

6. **Live Supported**
   Student and professional staff are available to assist students with personal and academic concerns as they adjust to being away from home.

7. **Live with Community**
   Living on campus gives students more opportunity to join clubs, go to activities, meet new people and make friends. It’s an experience unlike any other.

8. **Live and Learn**
   On-campus housing offers students the opportunity to live in a “living/learning” community that complements their educational experience and interest. In addition to theme housing options that are currently available, residents have the ability to propose other special interest housing ideas that can be implemented in subsequent semesters. These living communities provide mentoring opportunities, study groups and special programs geared specifically to the interests of the residents of those particular communities. For more information about living/learning communities and theme housing please check our website or contact the Housing & Residential Life Office.

9. **Live How You Choose**
   Eastern has many housing options to choose from to accommodate our students’ varying needs. Offering a variety of traditional residence halls, suite-style buildings and upperclassman apartment complexes, students can choose a style that is best for them based on their meeting certain criteria and on a space availability basis.

10. **Live it Up!**
    Don’t just go to school, experience college. Don’t miss out on all that Eastern Connecticut State University has to offer. With over 500 programs, activities, events and trips sponsored by Residential Life each semester, there should never be a dull moment in the residence halls.