

Campus Living

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO LIVE ON CAMPUS

Welcome to residential life at Eastern Connecticut State University. Your decision to live on campus will afford you with many opportunities to meet new people, make lifelong friends, learn in a vibrant community, and expand your knowledge of the world.

As Connecticut's public liberal arts university, we do everything we can to strengthen the connection between living and learning. The Housing and Residential Life program is an integral partner in the University's effort to provide a positive educational experience that fosters the retention and graduation of students. Studies show that students who live on campus are more likely to get involved and learn valuable educational, social and leadership skills. Statistics also show that students who live on-campus obtain a higher grade point average than their off campus peers and are more likely to graduate from college than other students.

The residential collegiate experience is one of intellectual, social, cultural, and emotional development. Your participation in our residential program provides an unlimited opportunity for you to learn, grow, and share. The staff is committed to making your on-campus living experience memorable and filled with valuable learning opportunities.

Please let us know if there is anything we can do to make your on-campus experience better.

Helpful things to bring with you

- Alarm clock (*with battery backup*)
- Batteries, camera
- Bed linens (*twin, extra long*)
- Bed risers (*no more than 8" and cannot be used on bunk beds*)
- Cleaning supplies/garbage can
- Cups, plates, utensils, dish soap
- Fan (*Burnap, Burr, Crandall, and Winthrop Halls are not air conditioned*)
- Hangers
- Laptop/Computer (*Ethernet cord needed for desktop computer*)
- Laundry supplies
- Lights for the Low Rise bedrooms, desk lamp
- Personal care items/shower caddy
- Recycling bin
- Refrigerator (*no more than 4.4 cubic feet*)
- Stereo, TV, DVD player, cable cord
- Toilet paper for suites and apartments
- UL approved power strips

Do's & Don'ts

The following items are permitted *in the kitchen areas only* of apartment complexes (Laurel Hall, Noble Hall, Nutmeg Hall, Occum Hall, High Rise and Low Rise):

- Coffee makers
- Keurigs are permitted in ALL halls
- Microwave oven
- Microwave ovens are permitted in Mead Hall and Niejadlik Hall *in the common areas only*. Each hall office is equipped with a microwave for residents' use and must be kept clean by the residents.
- Toaster ovens

Prohibited Items

The following items are not permitted in residence halls or apartment complexes (*please see the Housing Contract for complete list*):

- Candles, incense, and tart burners
- Cinder blocks
- Double-sided tape and duct tape
- Drugs, alcohol, shot glasses and any alcohol containers used as decoration
- Extension cords and octopus outlets*
- Halogen lamps, lava lamps and octopus lamps with plastic shades
- Hot oil popcorn poppers
- Hot plates/hot pots
- Non-university provided air conditioners
- Propane stoves and any type of grill
- Space heaters and electric blankets

- Submersible coils
- Tapestries and flags
- Wireless routers
- Wood framed futons, wicker or bamboo furniture

* Only UL-approved power strips are permitted in residential areas.

Smoke Free Residence Halls

All residential areas on campus are non-smoking. There are cigarette receptacles located outside of each building for your use. There is no smoking within 40' of all entrances and around the perimeter of the building.

Cars on campus

First-year students are not permitted to have a car on campus. If you feel that you have special circumstances, contact Campus Police at (860) 465-5310, prior to your arrival. Upperclassmen with cars on campus are reminded to utilize the designated floors in the parking garage and the designated lots for your areas. You must obtain your parking permit from Campus Police upon your arrival on campus.

Reminders

You cannot modify or remove any of the provided University furniture from your room/apartment. All furniture must remain in your room/apartment in assembled condition throughout the academic year. You will be billed for unassembled, missing, broken, and/or altered furniture.

All residents are responsible for the cleaning and removal of garbage from rooms and apartments. Your personal garbage is not to be left outside of your room/apartment. Dumpsters are provided near each residential area for your use. Please use these dumpsters on move-in day.

Roommate and/or hall changes

There is a two-week room freeze, beginning the first day of classes, to ensure that students who are moving on campus arrive at their assigned space, and to communicate with students who do not move in during check-in. Beginning on the first day of the third week, it will be your responsibility to visit the hall office of the building you wish to move to and talk with the professional staff member and ask to be placed on a waiting list. There will not be a waiting list started until that day. Please realize that roommate/room changes are not guaranteed and if a change is granted, it is on a space-available basis. All room changes must be approved by the professional staff member in your area prior to being made.

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