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### **Welcome Home, Warriors!**

We are excitedly preparing for your arrival to campus and to start a whole new year! To ensure a smooth move-in process for all residential students, we ask that you please take a moment to review the following instructions and information fully.

*Please know that there could be changes to the information below at a later time – we highly recommend that students form the habit of checking their Eastern email at least twice a day to ensure that they do not miss any updates. If you have folks supporting your move to campus, it may also be helpful to share this information with them.*

### **ASSIGNMENT & ROOMMATE INFORMATION:**

All housing assignment information can be found in the MyHousing Portal (accessible through [Eastern Apps](#)). Be sure to check your housing assignment prior to arriving to campus. Roommate information can also be found in the MyHousing Portal. There, you will see the students living in your room/suite/apartment. If you have not done so already, it is highly recommended that you reach out to your roommates before move-in day. To send an Eastern email to your roommate(s) simply click their name in

the MyHousing Portal and you'll be able to send them a message.

All residential students are required to complete the [Roommate Expectation Form](#) with their roommates; this form is collected by Housing Staff the first week students live on campus. We suggest that roommates start the conversation about their expectations as soon as possible so that they may create the most compatible roommate experience they can.

### **MOVE IN DAY REQUIREMENTS:**

To move in, all new students must complete the following before arriving to campus:

- **Meningitis Vaccination Requirement:**

All students are required to have a meningitis vaccination (if you lived on campus prior to this year, you have completed this requirement) and provide documentation to Health Services that vaccination has occurred prior to moving on campus. Students who have not met this requirement will not be permitted to move on campus until documentation is submitted to Health Services of this immunization. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Health Services at (860) 465-5263 or visit their [website](#).

- **Mandatory Title IX Training**

The university requires each student complete Title IX and Sexual Violence Prevention Training which is located in your Eastern Apps under Title IX Training. The training must be completed by August 17th. Missing this deadline may create challenges during move-in. Any questions should be directed to [title9training@easternct.edu](mailto:title9training@easternct.edu) for assistance.

- **Mandatory Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training**

The university requires each student complete Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Training which is located in your Eastern Apps under Title IX Training. The training must be completed by August 17th. Missing this deadline may create challenges during move-in. Any questions should be directed to [title9training@easternct.edu](mailto:title9training@easternct.edu) for assistance.

### **ROOM CHANGE FREEZE & WAITLISTS:**

As of August 1, 2025 a full room freeze will be in effect. This includes any requests to change halls, rooms, or person-for-person swaps. This is because our team is eagerly getting the campus ready for move-in which includes printing personalized welcome information, preparing rosters, digitizing room inspections reports, etc. and room changes will delay us preparing for the 2100+ students living on our campus for the fall semester. Students will be able to request room changes and person-for-person swaps starting on September 1st. An email will be sent to all students with this information. We thank you for your understanding in this.

Room changes submitted by July 31<sup>st</sup> will be responded to. The Room Change Request Form will be disabled August 1<sup>st</sup> to September 1<sup>st</sup>. Waitlists will remain in place throughout the room change freeze and acted on again once the freeze is lifted in September.

### **EARLY ARRIVAL HOUSING REQUESTS:**

If you need early arrival housing, please log in to the MyHousing Portal and complete the Early Arrival Housing Application. Early arrival housing is \$52/night unless you are approved for a waiver (see application for details). Same day application and arrival requests will be automatically denied. Please make your request at least three business days prior to your arrival. Early arrival students may only move in between 7pm-10pm on the day they are approved for; Housing staff will not be available to check you in outside of this window. Thank you for including this in your early arrival plans.

### **WHAT TO BRING & WHAT TO LEAVE AT HOME:**

Residents are encouraged to review our [What To Bring List](#). Here you'll find a list of suggested items to bring with you on move-

in day. Just as importantly, you'll also find our most up to date [prohibited items lists HERE](#). Any prohibited item brought to campus could result in the item being confiscated and the resident being entered into the Student Conduct System.

**FIRST YEAR & TRANSFER STUDENT: MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

First-year and transfer student move-in is Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> between 10:00am and 2:00pm. Families and guests depart from campus promptly at 2:00pm, for Warrior Welcome Orientation to begin.

**Getting to Campus:**

For GPS directions, you can enter Eastern Connecticut State University (83 Windham Street, Willimantic CT 06226). GPS will bring you to one specific building on campus, not necessarily your residence hall. We advise that you review the directions below and our [Campus Map](#) before leaving home:

<b>RESIDENCE HALL</b>	<b>CAMPUS ENTRANCE</b>	<b>UNLOAD/DROP OFF LOCATION</b>	<b>PARKING AFTER DROP OFF</b>
<b>Burnap &amp; Crandall Halls</b>	Enter campus via Charter Oak Road	Shakespeare parking garage floor 1	Shakespeare or Cervantes Parking Garage floors 2-4
<b>Burr Hall</b>	<b>POINTS TRAVELING FROM THE NORTH AND WEST:</b> To avoid north campus traffic, do not take the "195 exit" off the Rt. 6 expressway. Instead, use Rt. 32 to Main Street in Willimantic, turn onto Windham Street (Dairy Queen and O'Reilly Auto Parts on the corners). At the first stop sign, turn right onto Valley Street. At the first stop sign, turn left onto High Street. The	In the Burr Hall/Shaffer Hall Parking Lot	In the Burr Hall/Shaffer Hall Parking Lot

	<p>entrance to Burr Hall will be on the left.</p> <p><b>POINTS TRAVELING FROM THE SOUTH AND EAST:</b> To avoid north campus traffic, travel to Rt. 32/Main Street in Willimantic. Turn onto Windham Street (Dairy Queen and O'Reilly Auto Parts on the corners). At the first stop sign, turn right onto Valley Street. At the first stop sign, turn left onto High Street . The entrance to Burr Hall will be on the left.</p>		
<b>Mead Hall</b>	Enter campus via Charter Oak Road	Surrounding area sidewalks (police will direct)	Shakespeare or Cervantes Parking Garage floors 2-4
<b>Occum Hall</b>	Enter campus via Charter Oak Road	Occum Hall lot	Shakespeare or Cervantes Parking Garage floors 2-4
<b>Noble Hall</b>	<p><b>POINTS TRAVELING FROM THE NORTH AND WEST:</b> To avoid north campus traffic, do not take the "195 exit" off the Rt. 6 expressway. Instead, use Rt. 32 to Main Street in Willimantic, turn onto Windham Street (Dairy Queen and O'Reilly Auto Parts on the corners). The entrance for Noble Hall will be on the right-hand side.</p> <p><b>POINTS TRAVELING FROM THE SOUTH</b></p>	Noble Hall parking lot	Noble Hall parking lot

	<b>AND EAST:</b> To avoid north campus traffic, travel to Rt. 32/Main Street in Willimantic. Turn onto Windham Street (Dairy Queen and O'Reilly Auto Parts on the corners). The entrance for Noble Hall will be on the right-hand side.		
<b>Constitution Halls</b>	Enter campus via Eastern Rd turn left onto Clock Tower	Surrounding area sidewalks (police will direct)	South Residential Village lot or Library Lot
<b>All Other Halls not listed above (for new transfer students)</b>	Use Entrance Closest to Building	Campus Police will direct	Shakespeare or Cervantes Parking Garage floors 2-4

- PARKING:** Ample parking will be available for students and guests during move-in in our garages and lots. Vehicles cannot be left unattended in any of our “belonging drop off lanes”, fire lanes, streets, sidewalks, or other non-parking designated areas. Vehicles left in such areas will be subject to ticketing and/or towing at the owner’s expense. You may have to unload your belongings and then immediately move your vehicle. Vehicles cannot be left unattended in “belonging drop off lanes”. Campus Police and staff will be present to let you know where you can use long-term parking. **A Parking Ban for all open-air lots is in effect as of August 21, 2025. All vehicles must be moved to the second, third, or fourth floors of the parking garages. Vehicles left in open lots may be towed at the owner’s expense.**
- CHECKING IN:** All students will check in with their residence hall staff to:
  - Ensure that the student has completed the required Not Anymore/Title IX Training
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  - Pick up any needed room and/or mailbox keys.
- UNPACKING:** After arriving, unloading, and checking in, residents are then free to set up their rooms, unpack and create their home away from home.

- **TRASH AND RECYCLING:** Students will be responsible for disposing their own trash and recycling to the dumpsters behind/around the residence hall. Trash cans in common areas or in courtyards are not intended for move-in day trash.
- **PETS AND SUPPORT ANIMALS:** A friendly reminder that students are permitted to have fish as pets on campus if they are in a tank that is 10 gallons or less (turtles, frogs, lizards, snakes – or anything else that is not a fish - are prohibited). ***Please do not bring your pet to move-in day. Pets are not permitted in the residence hall, even if they fit in a purse or are just visiting.*** It is best to leave your pet at home during move-in since you can't leave them in the car, and you can't bring them in the residence hall (or any building on campus). Emotional support animals are permitted on campus but only after a student has been approved by the Office of AccessAbility Services AND Housing has been notified AND you have received the support animal notification from Housing. If you have a pending application, please leave the animal at home. If you have only submitted the application, please leave the animal at home. If you have not started the process, please leave the animal at home. Animals found on campus will be removed from campus immediately whether that means the animal goes home, goes to a friend who lives off-campus, or the animal is humanely surrendered to a local shelter.

#### **PRO-TIPS FOR MOVE-IN WEEKEND:**

- **Hydrate, Hydrate, Hydrate:** It's August, friends! It is typically hot and humid this time of year and we encourage everyone to drink plenty of water in the days leading up to and on the day of move-in. Bring your water bottles with you to keep you hydrated the day of move-in.
- **Dress for movement and hot weather:** We recommend wearing comfortable clothing, closed toed shoes, and to expect it to be warm. Residence halls with air conditioning may not feel cool at first as the doors will be propped open and there will be a lot of people in the building. Once the doors can be closed and guests and families leave the halls, they will cool down.
- **Carts & Hand Trucks:** Each hall will have about 4-6 carts available for use on move-in day which means that they will be rarely available to all students moving in. We recommend bringing a cart or hand truck for move-in day for

Constitution Hall, High Rise, Laurel Hall, Mead Hall, Niejadlik Hall, Noble Hall, Nutmeg Hall, Occum Hall and Shafer Halls. If you are bringing a cart or hand truck, we recommend that you label it with your student's name, room number and phone number.

- **Vehicles During Move In:** Vehicles cannot be left unattended in any of our “belonging drop off lanes”, fire lanes, streets, sidewalks, or other non-parking designated areas. Vehicles left in such areas will be subject to ticketing and/or towing at the owner's expense. You may have to unload your belongings and then immediately move your vehicle. Vehicles cannot be left unattended in “belonging drop off lanes”. Campus Police and staff will be present to let you know where you can use long-term parking.
- **Put Labels On Belongings:** It's highly recommended that students label all of their belongings with their name, hall and room number just in case a box, bin, or bag is found and needs to be returned.

### **ROOM CONDITION REPORTS:**

All housing assignments are inspected by housing staff prior to students moving in. Students can view the conditions and comments that result from that inspection in the MyHousing Portal. Students are encouraged to review their Room Condition Report and respond to it within 5 days of moving in. If after 5 days, a student does not respond to their Room Condition Report, the comments and conditions made by staff are automatically agreed to, and damage billing at the end of the time a student lives in a space will be determined by a Professional Staff Member (NOT an RA) based on the student's check-in Room Condition Report.

- 1.) Using Google Chrome or FireFox, login to the MyHousing Portal
- 2.) CLICK: RCR/Damages, then CLICK: Room Condition Reports
- 3.) CLICK: The “eye” icon to view your Room Condition Report
- 4.) Check the conditions and comments of each feature in your room.
  - a. If you agree with the conditions and comments, choose “I agree” and leave an electric signature
  - b. If you do NOT agree with a condition or comment, choose “I disagree” leave a comment, and an electronic signature. A staff member will follow up.

c. If you are not able to agree or dispute your Room Condition Report, let a staff member know.

We're looking forward to your arrival to campus and to start another great year! We appreciate your patience should you reach out to our office and staff with any questions. This is a busy time of year for our staff and we are working hard to create the best move-in experience possible. Please pay attention to your Eastern email for any announcements or updates and we'll be glad to return any message as soon as possible.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and see you soon! Go Warriors!

Sincerely

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