Thinking Ahead: Living On Campus at NWU

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A Residential University

- Three-year residency requirement
- First-year students will live in a traditional-style residence hall (Johnson, Pioneer, Centennial & Plainsman)
- Students living with parents within 30 miles of campus are permitted to live at home (additional paperwork required)
- Students can move into Greek housing in their 2nd year

Expectations



PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Live-In Residential Education Coordinators (REC)

- Supervise facilities and student staff
- Ensure that student development and learning goals are met

STUDENT STAFF

25 Peer Assistants (PA)

- Returning students that live on every floor
- Focus on connections
- Make referrals
- Provide social & educational programming
- Communicate campus information

STAFF



Amenities

Kitchen, Laundry, Computer Lab/Printing, Lounges, Vending, Wireless Internet, Safety Features

In-Room Furniture

Bed Desk/Chair Closet Dresser (built-in or free-standing)

All buildings are cigarette/vape smoke free.

RESIDENCE HALLS



LINENS:

- Extra-long twin or deep-pocket twin
- Mattress pad
- Comforter, pillows, etc.

OTHER ESSENTIALS:

- Shower items (tote, towels, sandals)
- Bed/Desk Lamp
- Small fan
- Surge protector (must be grounded/3-pronged)
- Wastebasket

Brandi's Bonus Recommendations: Pool Noodle & Doorstop

WHAT TO BRING



Save Space! Leave These At Home:

- George Forman-Type Grills (all grills)
- Toasters, Toaster Ovens, Microwaves
- Candles
- Extension Cords
- Nails or Paint
- Halogen lamps or lights
- Holiday/string lights or light fixtures
- Pets (only fish in 10-gallon tanks or smaller)
- Lofts (handmade or other)

Family pets are not allowed on campus during any move-in day.

WHAT NOT TO BRING



COLLEGE PRODUCTS

www.collegeproducts.com/nbyn

Bed/Loft Options

- All rooms come with a bed
- Lofts are available to rent (\$145/year)
- Pioneer & Johnson have lofts already

Microwaves/Fridges

- Personal fridges are ok (only one per room & less then 5 cubic ft)
- No personal microwaves allowed
- Can rent a Microchill for \$200/year (advice: avoid splitting)
- Fridges are provided each year after

RENTAL OPTIONS





ROOM/ROOMMATE SELECTION

- Based on admissions deposit date
- Hand match roommates
- Mutual roommate requests must be made by June 15
- ADA accommodations must be made by June 15

HOUSING EMAIL

- First week of July
- Room & roommate information
- Rental information (lofts, Microchill units)
- Housing contract link

DETAILS



No Room Changes: July 1-September 5

Successful Roommate/Room Experiences:

• Friendly, Respectful, Relaxing & Trusting

Room Change Steps After Roommate Success Plan:

- If a problem arises, we expect roommates to talk through it & work on improving the issue(s)
- PA will help mediate a discussion & revision to the Success Plan
- If no resolution is found after a period of time, roommates will talk to the REC for further instruction

ROOM CHANGES



New Student Move-In: August 18

- Students living 300 miles+ from campus may move in on August 17
- Fall athletes should watch for communication from coaches on early arrivals

Halls Remain Open: Fall & Easter Breaks

Halls Close: Thanksgiving, Winter & Spring Breaks

Break Housing Options

• \$15/night, must complete contract in advance

BREAK HOUSING



- Eliminate reminders, alarms & curfew
- Have them do their own laundry this summer
- Discuss your communication expectations
- Discuss challenges of diverse perspectives
- Discuss alcohol expectations & dangers
- Discuss personal safety
- Discuss your money expectations
- Discuss & practice self-advocacy skills

SUMMER TRANSITIONS



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