Villanova University’s Office for Residence Life strives to create a welcoming residential community while maintaining a comfortable and safe environment for students residing on campus. Our staff oversees campus housing assignments and manages the day-to-day operations of our residence halls. Please read all of the following information carefully before accepting on-campus residency.

Residence Life Fast Facts

- Villanova houses approximately 5,400 undergraduate students in 32 oncampus residence halls located throughout all areas of campus—Main Campus, South Campus and West Campus.
- Freshman residence halls are predominantly co-educational and range in size from 50 to 520 residents. Halls may be designated as singlegender depending on the gender distribution of the incoming class.
- Freshman residents may be assigned to a standard single, double, triple or quad room.
- Freshman students may be housed in halls on all areas of campus, but are not normally assigned to apartment or suite style housing.

Eligibility for On-Campus Housing

Students who are admitted to the University as a “resident” are guaranteed three consecutive years (six consecutive semesters) of on-campus housing beginning with the Fall semester of the academic year of their admission. Students who forego a semester(s) of housing for any reason (i.e. participation in a study abroad or internship program, deferred acceptance) are not guaranteed an additional semester(s) of housing in their fourth year. Residents who withdraw from housing for reasons other than academic (e.g., study abroad, internship) at any point during the eligibility period will lose their guarantee of on-campus housing. Those interested in returning to campus may be housed as space permits.

Securing Housing for Freshman Year

A student who accepts the University’s offer of admission as a “resident student” must complete a Housing Contract to secure a room assignment. New resident students will be able to access, complete and submit an online Housing Contract via the Housing and Dining Web Page – Housing & Dining - between May 4 and June 4, 2020 To complete the Housing Contract, a student’s admission deposit must be received and processed by the Office of University Admission. Please note that the University requires approximately three days to process an admission deposit. All Housing Contracts must be completed and submitted by June 4, 2020.
In conjunction with the housing contract, students will also have the opportunity to apply to participate in a themed residential learning community. Students participating in COMMUNITAS will:

- live in the same residence hall
- take “The Augustine and Culture Seminar” (a class all freshmen are required to take) together
- explore a common theme in an additional one-credit discussion class that meets weekly in the residence hall.

New Student Housing Assignments

New residents are assigned roommates based on gender, date of admission deposit, enrollment in COMMUNITAS - Villanova’s Learning Community for First-Year Students and—when possible—preferences specified in a questionnaire that is imbedded in the Housing Contract. We ask that students, not parents complete this questionnaire so as to provide the most accurate responses.

Freshman residents may not select or request a specific residence hall or room. However, students may request to room with a preferred roommate. Residence Life will make a reasonable effort to accommodate roommate requests provided that:

- Interest in residing together is shared by both students,
- each student has designated the other as a preferred roommate on the Housing Application
- and the request is received by Thursday, June 4, 2020.

Room assignments will be posted on the Housing and Dining web page during the last week of July and will contain:

- Room and building assignment
- Roommate’s name and email

Housing for sophomore and junior years is guaranteed and secured during the spring semester via a housing selection process. Returning residents will be issued a computer-generated random housing selection time as part of this process. It is important to note that factors such as previous housing assignment, difficulties with roommates, academic standing, participation in special activities or athletics, facilities concerns and other factors are not considered when generating selection times. Students will be able to choose their housing assignment and roommate online at their designated housing selection time.
Housing for senior year is only guaranteed to students who were admitted to the University under a special scholarship or program guaranteeing a 4th year of housing. Students interested in residing on campus for their senior year may participate in the Senior Housing Lottery. The senior housing lottery will take place in September. Students who do not receive housing via the lottery can request to be placed on a housing wait-list.

Please visit our website for more detailed information about our office, our halls, our policies and our housing calendar.