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University Housing Policy

In support of the educational mission of the university and the value of the on-campus residential experience for students, the department of Housing and Residential Life (HRL) provides students with a programmatically intentional, secure, and convenient living environment. Research at Texas State and nationally has shown that, when compared to those living elsewhere, students living in residence halls are more fully involved in academic and extracurricular activities and tend to earn a higher GPA. HRL collaborates with campus partners to create living-learning settings that encourage intellectual curiosity, intercultural understanding, and personal responsibility.

For these reasons, the university requires all students who graduated from high school within the preceding 12 months of the semester of their admission to live in on-campus university housing.

Living On-Campus

It is the mission of Housing and Residential Life to provide welcoming living communities for our student population that foster academic success, campus engagement, and personal development. The residential environment serves as an extension of the classroom, where students engage in learning experiences that complement their academic coursework. Programs encourage involvement, leadership development, and connection to the university community as part of the comprehensive educational experience.

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Dining On-Campus

The university offers several different dining plans to meet students' scheduling needs and dietary preferences, supporting student well-being and daily participation in campus life.

Applying to Live On-Campus

Contracts for on-campus housing may be submitted through the Housing Portal upon formal admission to the university.

Cancellation Deadlines

Contracts for on-campus living apply to the full academic year. Once the contract has been signed and submitted there are very limited reasons for cancellation. For those not planning to attend the university, there is a prorated refund scale that is dependent upon the date of cancellation. See the contract terms and conditions for specific cancellation details.