



Living On Campus Newsletter

Move In 2016

Saturday, August 20, 1:00-7:00pm
First-year residents
Cafaro and Lyden

Saturday, August 20, 10:00am – 2:00pm
First year residents with last name “A-L”
Kilcawley House (ONLY)

Saturday, August 20, 2:00pm – 7:00pm
First year residents with last name “M-Z”
Kilcawley House (ONLY)

Sunday, August 17, 10:00am-4:00pm
All remaining residents
All Residence Halls

Residence halls open at the above times. During these times, it is guaranteed that Housing & Residence Life staff and Move-In Crew members will be available to help residents move in and start the check-in process. Weller residents will pick up keys from the Wick House front desk. If you are not arriving during the above days and times, you can check in any day after. If you know you will be a late arrival, call the office and we will inform your Housing Coordinator.

Housing Assignment

Students who apply after July 31, 2016 or who have not selected a room by July 31, 2016 will be assigned by Housing staff based on building preference and availability.

Roommate information can be viewed in the Housing Portal and will also be emailed out to you in August. If you are not able to view this information, please contact the Office of Housing & Residence Life at (330) 941-3547 and we will provide this information to you.

Need to Cancel Housing?

If you applied for housing and then have decided not to attend YSU or live in on-campus housing, you must notify University Housing directly by selecting the Cancel Application option within the University Housing Application. If you learn your assigned roommate is not coming, we'd appreciate you letting us know so we can either assign a new roommate or re-assign you. It is much easier and less disruptive to do this over the summer rather than after you have arrived. We appreciate your assistance.

Ready to catch FYRE?

Housing & Residence Life is excited to announce the FYRE – First Year Resident Experience community. FYRE will aide residents in the transition to campus life at Youngstown State University. Our purpose is to expose first year residents to social, academic, and philanthropic opportunities in an effort to fully engage with the on-campus experience at YSU.



Welcome Week

Check out all the events planned for this year's welcome week at <http://cms.ysu.edu/administrative-offices/welcome-week/welcome-week>

Early Arrival Hotline

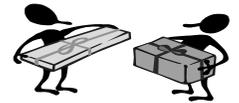
Students who need to check in prior to Saturday, August 20 may request early arrival housing for a minimal fee of \$26 up to 3 nights. To apply for an early arrival, go to housing.ysu.edu and under Current Residents select Housing During University Breaks. If granted early arrival, note that you may be provided early arrival housing in a building and room that is **not** your fall assignment and will be required to move into your fall assignment when it is available. If you are coming back early to work or to participate in an extracurricular activity, check with your supervisor, as many programs will pay this fee for you. For more information, call Housing & Residence Life (330) 941-3547 or e-mail iwtanner@ysu.edu. Early arrivals that have not requested and received an approval are not guaranteed a space upon their early arrival.

Need a Campus Job?

Did you know that having a campus job is one of the surest ways to succeed academically? Research shows that students who work on campus get better grades and are more likely to graduate. Housing & Residence Life frequently hires students throughout the year. If you are interested in working for our department, please our website to review opportunities: housing.ysu.edu

LIFE WITH YOUR ROOMMATE

A New Experience Awaits You



Welcome to the on-campus experience that awaits you at YSU! Living in the residence halls provides you with a variety of experiences and challenges. When you arrive you will encounter a new environment, and meet new people. Amidst these experiences, you will get to know your roommate...or you may already know your roommate. Living with your roommate will be a learning experience, whether you know them or not. You will be sharing a room in which you study, sleep, relax, and entertain.

The quality of the relationship you develop with your roommate is important. Developing a good relationship will enrich your experience at YSU and it can be an important factor in your academic success. YSU has information and staff to assist you and your roommate with building a successful relationship based on respect for the rights of each other.

ROOMMATE BILL OF RIGHTS

You have a responsibility to your roommate! By keeping in mind the following values and by demonstrating thoughtful consideration, you can make your residence hall experience all the more enjoyable. Every roommate has:

1. The right to read and study free from undue interference in one's room. Unreasonable noise and other distractions inhibit the exercise of this right. Since students attend YSU primarily to achieve academic goals, Housing & Residence Life believes your room should provide you with an environment conducive to academic success.
2. The right to sleep without undue disturbance from noise, roommate's guests, etc. The right to sleep in your room during reasonable hours takes precedence over any activity that may interfere with this right.
3. The right to expect that a roommate will respect personal belongings. The willingness to share will strengthen any relationship, but your personal property is just that...personal. The decision of whether you decide to share is your decision.
4. The right to a clean, safe, and healthy environment. It is expected that all residents will make every effort to maintain these conditions in their room as well as in the public areas of the building.
5. The right to free access to one's room and facilities without pressure from a roommate.
6. The right to privacy in your own room free from guests and other disturbances.
7. The right to host guests with the expectation that guests are to respect the rights of the host's roommate and other residents. Your right to privacy, especially at night, takes precedence over the right of your roommate to entertain guests.
8. The right to address and settle grievances and conflicts. Housing & Residence Life staff members are available for assistance in settling roommate conflicts.
9. The right to be free from fear of intimidation, physical and/or emotional harm.
10. The right to expect reasonable cooperation in the use of "room shared" appliances (TV, stereo, refrigerator, etc.)
11. The right to live in a secure environment. Security in the residence halls depends largely on your level of cooperation. Residents have an obligation to each other to help ensure a secure living environment by keeping their rooms locked whenever they are not in them.
12. The right to have individual differences respected and appreciated. Acts of intolerance directed towards an individual on the basis of race, gender, or sexual orientation will not be tolerated in the residence halls.

Remember: To be a mature adult is to accept responsibility for the welfare of yourself and others. Only you can assure that you and your roommate enjoy these rights.

Tip: for a Successful Roommate Experience

Increase Awareness of Yourself

Evaluate yourself and consciously attempt to become more sensitive to your "inner self".

Avoid Making Assumptions

Facebook profiles may give you a taste of who a person is, but be open to finding out who they are first hand.

Increase Your Listening Skills

Learn to listen carefully. Strive for understanding by listening for words and identifying feelings without evaluating or reacting immediately. Describe only what you see, hear, and feel.

Learn To Be a More Effective Communicator

Try to describe your feelings accurately. Practice expressing yourself, especially your needs, in a direct, assertive manner without becoming rude.

Learn To Deal with Conflict

Unfortunately this important skill goes directly against what most of us have been taught about being polite and "getting along" with others. Often roommates are reluctant to discuss each "little" issue when it occurs. However, failure to discuss little things often results in a larger conflict later. You are encouraged to discuss with your roommate issues as they happen, no matter how "little" they appear. Dealing with conflict is learning to identify and confront—to be precise and to remain pleasant. It is learning to be assertive without being aggressive. If you need assistance, feel free to contact your Resident Assistant (RA).

Remember to check your YSU email for updates from YSU Housing!

As a YSU student you have an email address assigned to you which can be accessed by logging into **my.ysu.edu**. Network Services staff will be available on move-in days to assist students wishing to connect to the University Network. Students need a computer with a standard 10/100 network card and a CAT-5 cable; we recommend that the cable be 12'-16' long. Wireless access points are available in each residence hall as well. To make sure that you have everything you need to get connected on campus, please visit the Tech Desk website: helpdesk.ysu.edu/

Dining Services

Our students have the ability to choose the meal plan that best fits their needs and eating habits. Incoming students who did not select a plan are defaulted to the 12 BRONZE plan. Meal plans can be changed by the student during the first two weeks of classes. Meal plan consists of weekly meal swipes, and declining balances of Pete's Points & Flex Dollars.

Please visit our dining provider's website at <http://www.dineoncampus.com/ysu> and review the information in your Welcome Bag when you arrive!

One Stop

The Student One Stop is a customer service area that works in support of the following offices: Financial Aid and Scholarships, Bursar, Records, and Registration. If you have a question in regards to your financial accounts and academic records, visit the Student One Stop located on the 2nd floor of Meshel Hall, or visit their website at <http://web.ysu.edu/onestop>.

Mail Service

Each residence hall is served directly by the U.S. Postal Service. It's important that you use your address as it's written below. Improperly addressed mail will usually get here, but it may take several days longer. The format for your mailing address is as follows:

(your name)

House Room #

Street Address

Youngstown, OH (your zip)

Cafaro House
205 Madison Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44504-1611

Kilcawley House
117 University Plaza
Youngstown, OH 44502-1208

Lyden House
251 Madison Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44504-1611

Weller House
658 Wick Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44502-1215

Wick House
656 Wick Avenue
Youngstown, OH 44502-1215

Housing & Residence Life Staff

Office of Housing & Residence Life

Director, Kate Fitzgerald
Associate Director, Housing, Olivia Cupp
Associate Director, Residence Life, Ian Tanner
Assistant Director, Residential Education, Jacob Stanley

Administrative Assistants

Maggie Naples
Faun Williams

Have questions about
University Housing?
Please call our office:
(330) 941-3547
Monday-Friday
8am-5pm

Housing Coordinators

Molly O'Malley, Kilcawley, Wick & Weller
Justin Munz, Lyden
Luke Politsky, Cafaro

Graduate Assistants

Rodger Page
Julianne Borowski
Kelsey Wise
Caitie Mullen



All the Comforts of Home...

What to Bring to Your New "Home" and What to Leave at Home

What to Bring

Bedding/Linen

- Sheets (extra long twin)
- Pillow/Pillow case
- Blanket(s)
- Towels/Washcloths



Extra Long Twin Sheets can be ordered through Residence Hall Linens or stores such as Wal-Mart, Kmart, and Target.

Toiletry Items

- Soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.
- Small bucket to carry toiletry items to the bathroom



Things to Make the Room more Comfortable

- Posters, pictures of friends/family
- Personal mementos

Convenience Items

- Stereo, TV, DVD player, computer
- Refrigerator (2' by 3' maximum)



We encourage you to consult with roommate(s) to avoid unnecessary duplication. This will save space in the room.

Miscellaneous

- Alarm clock
- Laundry aids (laundry bag, soap, dryer sheets, etc.)
- Slippers/flip flops/robe
- Power strips with breaker switch for electrical items



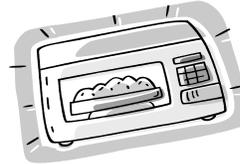
What to Leave

Pets (including fish)



Microwave

Toaster



Hotpot

Coffee Maker



All other cooking devices

Air conditioners (all of our buildings are air conditioned)

Halogen & Medusa lamps

Alcoholic Beverages



Empty Alcohol containers

Extension cords

Candles, Incense



Lofts and Loft Kits for beds

Check out our web site for updates, staff profiles and additional information!
<http://housing.ysu.edu>