Welcome to the residence halls at Fairleigh Dickinson University, your home away from home! Our residence halls are an exciting and vibrant part of campus life. Living on campus affords you the opportunity to become part of a close-knit community bonded through socializing, shared experiences and FDU Knight pride. Studies indicate that students who reside on campus, on average, earn higher grades, are more likely to continue in college and are more likely to graduate within four years.

You will have the opportunity to “live, learn and grow” through the unique experience of living with other students. You will learn new things about yourself, about living with others and about being part of a community. We believe your experience in the residence halls will prove to be both enjoyable and enriching.

The information in this Resident Manual is provided to help you succeed at FDU as a student and as a member of our residential community. It is important that you read through it and keep it as a reference. Part of being a responsible member of a community is to be aware of your rights and responsibilities and your role as a resident. The Resident Manual is an extension of the Housing and Meal Plan Contract and will help you become familiar with the services and programs we provide.

The staff of the Office of Residence Life is committed to assisting you in making the most of your living experience and supporting you in achieving your educational goals. I encourage you to be an active member of your community and I look forward to meeting each of you during the course of the academic year.

Sincerely,

Ruben C. Flores
Director of Residence Life
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Mission

The Office of Residence Life strives to provide and sustain a safe, comfortable, secure and nurturing living and learning environment for our students that is conducive to their personal growth, supports their academic pursuits, encourages and fosters a sense of community and civic responsibility and cultivates an appreciation of diversity.

The Office of Residence Life is responsible for the overall management, administration and program development of all University residential facilities with a capacity for approximately 1,000 residents. Living in the residence halls affords and encourages each member of the community to participate in the shaping of his/her environment. This is accomplished through the following goals of the Office of Residence Life:

1. To provide quality residential programs and services.
2. In partnership with all residents, to create a safe, secure and comfortable living environment that promotes inclusiveness.
3. To create a nurturing environment in the residence halls that is conducive to and supports academic achievement and intellectual stimulation.
4. To create strong and supportive residential communities in the halls.
5. To encourage residents to individually and collectively help shape their environment and take mutual responsibility for their environment.
6. To promote diversity awareness, appreciation and interaction.
7. To enhance student development by offering activities, experiences and opportunities congruent with the educational mission of the University and the students’ educational aspirations.
8. To support programs, services, activities and interventions that foster dialogue and interactions with students, their peers, staff and faculty; thus, providing residents with an educational advantage.
9. To inform residents of the policies, procedures and regulations required for successful group living.
10. To emphasize personal responsibility and accountability.

Staff

The Office of Residence Life employs paraprofessional and full-time professional staff members. Professional staff members are responsible for facilities management, programming, discipline, conflict resolution, crisis intervention and overall coordination of a comprehensive housing and residence life program. All professional and paraprofessional staff members live on or contiguous to the campus for accessibility and responsiveness.
**Director of Residence Life** — Overall leadership, management and responsibility for the planning and delivery of programs and services that comprise and enhance the FDU residential experience. The chief housing officer sets the vision and directs the Office of Residence Life. Responsible for fiscal management as well as policy development and oversight.

**Assistant Director of Residence Life for Operations** — Coordinates the day-to-day operations of the Office of Residence Life including assignments, room changes, meal plans, cancellations, billing and room selection.

**Assistant Director of Residence Life for Programming and Development** — Advises the Residence Hall Association and coordinates staff recruitment, selection and training. Responsible for programming and educational development opportunities in the residence halls.

**Graduate Hall Directors** — Supervise resident assistants, conduct judicial hearings and assist with development of community in a residence hall area.

**Resident Assistants (RAs)** — Each residence hall is staffed by full-time undergraduate or graduate resident assistants (RAs) who live in the halls to work with and serve the residents. These student leaders receive significant training in advising, peer counseling, emergency and administrative procedures, mediation, community development, campus and community resources, communication skills, programming and assisting with the enforcement of University and residence-hall regulations. Each residence hall area (Northpointe, the Lindens and University Court) has RAs on duty every evening. It is important that residents get to know their RAs and the other RAs in their area and foster a positive relationship with them.

## Living On Campus

### Applying for Housing

#### For Current Residents

During the spring semester, current resident students who plan to return to housing for the following academic year have the opportunity to select their room and roommate during the room-selection process (Priority Room Selection or General Room Selection). Only residents who pay their residence hall deposits by the established deadline will be able to participate in Priority Room Selection (Keep My Room Day or Room-selection Day). Late-depositing residents will be able to participate in the General Room Selection once Priority Room Selection ends.

#### For Current Commuter Students

*All current FDU commuter students are only able to participate in the General Room Selection.*

Q: What is the difference between Priority Room Selection and General Room Selection?

A: **The dates.** Priority Room Selection and General Room Selection are essentially the same process occurring during different periods. If students pay their residence hall deposits by the deadline, they participate in Priority Room Selection. If students pay their residence hall deposits after the deadline or if they are commuter students, they are only able to participate in the General Room Selection.

#### For All First-year and New Students

New students to Fairleigh Dickinson University receive housing information upon their admission to the University with their Admissions Acceptance Package from the Offices of Admissions. All first-year and new students must apply for housing through the University’s admissions process. Room ($200) and security ($150) deposits are required of all new resident students. Applications for housing for new students are due May 1 for fall applicants and December 1 for spring applicants. The Office of Residence Life
makes every attempt to honor the student’s request(s), but this is not guaranteed. The office will take into consideration all requests listed on the student’s Housing Application.

Off-site housing may be provided when on-campus spaces are filled. Students assigned to off-site housing are held to all Fairleigh Dickinson University policies unless otherwise noted in writing.

*Housing accommodations are assigned without regard to national origin, race, ethnicity, religion, creed or sexual orientation.*

**Deposits**

1. New housing applicants are required to pay a one-time $150 security deposit and a nonrefundable $200 residence hall deposit.

2. Current residents are only required to pay a nonrefundable residence hall deposit in order to participate in the room-selection process during the spring.

3. Former residents returning to the residence halls must pay a $150 security deposit again in addition to the nonrefundable $200 residence hall deposit.

(When students move out of the residence halls and there is no damage reported, their security deposit is returned to them within four to six weeks.)

**Pay deposit online** at www.fdu.edu/makeapayment
- Select “Deposit Payments Only”
- From pull-down menu, select “H. Residence Hall Deposit Only”
- Submit Payment

The Office of Residence Life does not accept any payments.

**Alcohol**

Possession, consumption or being in the presence of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in the residence halls. Alcohol violations, at minimum, will result in a judicial hearing in the Office of Residence Life and a fine. Refer to the *Alcohol Policy* for more information.

1st Alcohol Violation — $200 fine (minimum) and Alcohol Tutorial (Level 1)

2nd Alcohol Violation — $250 fine (minimum), Alcohol Tutorial (Level 2) and residence hall probation.

3rd Alcohol Violation — $300 fine (minimum), Alcohol Tutorial (Level 3) and removal from the residence halls.

**Cable Service and Channels**

A cable outlet is provided in each residence hall room and/or suite. It is active immediately upon arrival. Students do not need to request that the service be activated or deactivated. To access the system, students must provide their own cable-ready television and a coaxial cable of sufficient length. To report a cable-service issue, residents must contact the UTAC (University Technical Assistance Center) Help Desk via one of the following methods:

- By calling (973) 443-UTAC (University Technical Assistance Center) or (973) 443-8822.
- By dialing #8822 from a Metropolitan Campus phone.
- By sending an email to FDUTAC@fdu.edu

*See next page for chart.*
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Campus Parking and Vehicle Registration

Hundreds of students, faculty and staff drive to FDU’s two campuses each day to attend classes and work. The strict enforcement of parking and traffic regulations is essential to accommodate the steady traffic that passes through the University.

All vehicles parked on campus, including those of guests, must be registered with the Department of Public Safety. Each campus has designated areas for permit parking. Vehicles that do not observe posted parking instructions will be ticketed and fined. Vehicles that receive more than one summons may have a parking immobilizer placed on the vehicle and/or may be towed. A cost of $25 must be paid to the Department of Public Safety in order to have the immobilizer removed. A Parking Manual is available from the Department of Public Safety at the time you register your car.

Cancellations (Housing and Meal Plans)

Any student who has decided not to attend FDU or has decided not to reside on campus must notify the Office of Residence Life immediately by submitting a Cancellation Request Form to the address listed below. A Cancellation Request Form can be downloaded at www.fdu.edu/reslifemetro. At minimum, the $200 room deposit is forfeited. The $150 security deposit will be refunded by the Office of Enrollment Services four to six weeks after the cancellation has been processed.

Office of Residence Life
Attn: Cancellations
1000 River Road (T-RL1-01)
Teaneck, N.J. 07666

Once a student moves into his/her residence hall room and/or signs his/her Housing and Meal Plan Contract, he/she is bound to the contract for one entire academic year (August to May). Refer to the “VIII. Cancellation and Refund” section of the Housing and Meal Plan Contract for more information.

Community Standards

Disorderly Conduct/Unacceptable Behavior

Our residence halls exist to complement Fairleigh Dickinson University’s educational mission. Our expectations and standards of acceptable behavior are reflective of our purposes. In concert with the behavioral standards of the FDU Student Code of Conduct and the Residence Hall Community Code, the following behaviors will not be tolerated and may result in disciplinary action, which could include immediate removal/ban from the residence halls:

a) Verbal abuse, including offensive and/or derogatory language.
b) Threatening behavior, whether written, electronic, verbal or physical.
c) Any use of force or physical violence.
d) Trespassing, entering or remaining in a room without the resident’s permission.
e) Lewd, obscene or offensive behavior.
f) Any behavior which demonstrates an inability to abide by the requirements for group living.

The following actions will result in disciplinary action:

- Failure to comply with the directions of a University official, including residence life staff.
- Providing false information or identification to a University official.
- Aiding or encouraging others to violate hall policies.
- Failure to produce an official student ID card upon request of any staff member.
Failure to Comply

For us to be successful in developing responsible and respectful communities, we must have cooperation from residents who respect and share our goals. You may, at times, question policies or the means of implementation. If so, you should voice your dissent through proper channels, such as making an appointment with a staff member of the Office of Residence Life. Failure to comply with regulations or encouraging others to violate policies can lead to chaos. Providing false information may also cause unnecessary disruption, in addition to failing to meet the standard of honesty we expect.

Failure to comply with directives stated by a resident assistant, while acting in an official capacity, may result in disciplinary actions.

Computer Access

The University provides each residence hall room with data ports for access to the local area network (LAN) for each occupant. This provides access to the Internet and University network resources from the residence halls.

In order to connect from a residence hall, a student’s computer must have a working and properly configured Ethernet adapter (Ethernet network interface card) and meet the following minimum requirements before one can connect to the FDU network:

1. To log into FDU’s network, you must have a valid Webmail account. Once accepted to the University you can get a Webmail account by visiting http://webmail.fdu.edu.

2. Microsoft Windows-based computers must:
   a) Be running Windows XP (Home or Professional) or newer versions (e.g. Vista) with Service Pack 2 (SP2) installed.
   b) Have all critical Microsoft Windows updates and patches applied to the Windows operating system. To do this, go to http://windowsupdate.microsoft.com.
   c) Be configured for daily automatic Microsoft Windows updates.
   d) Have FDU’s Symantec Antivirus Corporate Edition software properly installed and configured. Symantec Antivirus Corporate Edition is provided to students free of charge for as long as you are a student, and FDU’s Symantec Antivirus Corporate Edition does not require students to pay a yearly subscription.
   e) Be configured for daily automatic Symantec Antivirus Corporate Edition virus-definition updates.
   f) NOTE: Prior to the installation of FDU’s Symantec Antivirus Corporate Edition software, all other antivirus software (i.e., McAfee, Norton Antivirus, Norton SystemWorks/Internet Suite, Sophos, TrendMicro) must be completely uninstalled. After uninstalling existing antivirus software, you can log onto https://isweb.fdu.edu/secure/av_download.html to download FDU’s Symantec Antivirus Corporate Edition for students or, when you log into FDU’s network for the first time from on campus, you will be directed to download and install FDU’s Symantec Antivirus Corporate Edition. Be sure to perform a full antivirus scan and remedy all virus issues, prior to logging in.
   g) Be able to run the Cisco Clean Access (CCA) agent, which FDU will provide, and be able to receive automatic Windows and antivirus updates.
   h) Be free of all computer viruses and spyware and have a completely patched Windows operating system (OS).
As a predominantly Windows operation, FDU provides limited technical support for Macintosh computers. FDU does provide Mac users with Antivirus for Macintosh upon request. Requests can be made through the FDU Technical Assistance Center (UTAC). FDU does not have the technical resources to support non-Windows or non-Mac computing platforms such as Unix, Linux, etc., or beta software.

The above will help students maintain their personal computers and to protect their valuable information. It will allow us to maintain a high level of network and support services to our resident students and to safeguard and minimize the negative impacts of computer viruses, spyware and other malware on the University network.

For more information about CCA or FDU’s Symantec Antivirus Corporate Edition, call the FDU Technical Assistance Center at 973-443-8822 or read the Office of Information Resources and Technology (OIRT) newsletter, Inside OIRT, Volume 2, Issue 1, posted at http://isweb.fdu.edu/pdf/Inside092005.pdf.

Custodial and Maintenance

Staff from the Department of Facilities is responsible for maintaining all University property and facilities, removing snow from sidewalks and entryways during the winter and trimming shrubs and grass in the spring and summer. In the residence halls, facilities staff members are responsible for general upkeep, physical appearance and overall cleanliness. Specifically, the staff is responsible for cleaning public areas, hallways, lounges and common bathrooms. However, the staff is not responsible for cleaning student rooms or bathrooms in student rooms (Northpointe).

While on campus, your residence hall room is your home … please treat it as such. Any malfunction of building equipment, maintenance needs, problems or questions regarding a student room or hall can be reported to the Department of Facilities at (201) 692-2001. During non-business hours (from 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. the following morning), facilities emergencies should be reported to the Department of Public Safety at (201) 692-2222.

If a problem is not resolved, let your resident assistant know or contact the Office of Residence Life. We want to ensure your requests are being addressed.

Students are also responsible for placing their trash at the designated central location:

Linden and University Court residents — Place all bagged trash in the suite area trash can for pick up.

Northpointe residents — Place all bagged trash in the trash room located on each floor.

Damage Policy

Also refer to “Room Condition Report (RCR),” page 23.

Damage Billing

1. Occupants of a room will be held responsible for the condition of the room and furnishings and for any damages or losses to the room, whether caused by the occupants or others.

2. Individuals identified as responsible for damage, theft or losses in common areas of the building (such as corridors, elevators, stairwells, lobbies, bathrooms, suite areas, laundry rooms and lounges) will be billed for the cost of repair or replacement. Residents will be held collectively responsible for damages, theft or losses in common areas of the building that may occur during occupancy when the individual(s) responsible cannot be identified. The charges will be assessed equally to the student accounts of all occupants of the appropriate suite, floor or building.
3. Once all damage billing is processed by the Office of Residence Life, residents will be sent a damage billing letter to the postal address they have on file with the University indicating the total charges of their damage-billing responsibility.

4. Students who are continuous offenders and/or accumulate large amounts of damage charges or fines may be suspended and/or removed from the residence halls.

**Damage Billing Appeals**

1. Students have the responsibility to sign the Room Condition Report (RCR) completed by the resident assistant upon checking-in and checking-out of the residence halls. **A student who chooses not to sign or fails to sign this form on either occasion will be held accountable for all damages as inventoried by the resident assistant. There will be no appeal mechanism for these students.**

2. Damage Billing Appeals will be considered, in writing only, if received by the deadline date established by the Office of Residence Life in the damage billing letter.

3. Decisions regarding damage billing appeals will be rendered in writing. **This decision will be final.**

**Dining Services**

The dining hall is located on the second floor of the Student Union Building. Students must present their FDU ID card to gain access. For more information about meal plans and meal-plan rates, refer to our website.

- Monday–Thursday — 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- Friday — 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday–Sunday — 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

A detailed breakdown of the meal-serving times is below:

- **Breakfast**
  - Full Breakfast Menu: Monday–Friday, 7:30–10 a.m.
  - Modified Breakfast Menu: Monday–Friday, 10–11:30 a.m.

- **Brunch**
  - Saturday–Sunday: 11:30 a.m.–2 p.m.
  - Modified Brunch Menu during changeover: 2:30–4:30 p.m.

- **Lunch**
  - Full Lunch Menu: Monday–Friday, 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
  - Modified Lunch Menu: Monday–Friday, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

- **Dinner**
  - Monday–Thursday, 4:30–9:30 p.m.
  - Friday–Sunday, 4:30–7:30 p.m.

Snack bar locations/hours of operation are posted. Sick trays and take-out lunches are available upon request.

**FDU SMART Communications Program**

Special mobile services are provided through FDU SMART Communications, a partnership between Fairleigh Dickinson University and Rave Wireless. FDU SMART Communications provides two unique capabilities for FDU students: namely, Rave Guardian, a proactive safety feature; and Mobile Blackboard, an academic feature used to assist students in getting key information from faculty members while away from their computers. All students are eligible for special discount plans through a special arrangement with Sprint. Resident students may be eligible for an additional discount or subsidy. For more information, visit http://fdumobile.fdu.edu.

FDU Alert, part of FDU SMART Communications, provides important notification during certain emergencies. All students must register their contract information with FDU Alert. Students also have the op-
tion to provide additional mobile and email contact information to include parents, guardians and others when FDU Alert is activated in the event of a campus emergency. For more information or to sign up or update your contact information visit http://www.fdu.edu/alert.

All students, regardless of carrier, can enjoy the benefits of all the FDU SMART mobile features. To learn more about FDU SMART Communications and how it can help you during your time at Fairleigh Dickinson, email fdumobilesupport@fdu.edu.

Fairleigh 1Card

Your Fairleigh 1Card is the most important card that you will have at the University — vital for accessing services. Please protect your card and carry it with you at all times.

Building and Door Access — Used as a key to access the exterior door of your residence hall, suite (Lindens) and room door.

Dining — Residents can enjoy access to all dining facilities with their Fairleigh 1Card via their meal plan. The Fairleigh 1Card is accepted at all on-campus locations and several local off-campus eateries.

Libraries — Check out materials at the library using the bar code on your card.

Fitness Center — Enter the Fitness Center and use sports equipment on premises.

On-campus Events — Present your Fairleigh 1Card to attend campus events.

1Card Cash — Make cashless purchases at locations on both campuses and at popular restaurants and service providers in the neighborhood.

For more information — www.fairleigh1card.com

Financial Clearance

All residents must be financially cleared at the beginning of each semester. Residents are not permitted to move into the residence halls until they have satisfied their student accounts with the Office of Enrollment Services. This could mean paying a bill, signing a student loan, providing scholarship information or making a payment arrangement. You may contact the Office of Enrollment Services prior to your move-in day to verify your status at (201) 692-2214.

Fire Safety Precautions

Fire Alarm Procedures

Before an emergency happens, familiarize yourself with the fire exits in your hallway. If an alarm sounds and remains on, you are to assume that there is an emergency and immediately evacuate the building. Failure to evacuate the building will result in disciplinary action.

Remember

1. Feel the door for temperature. If it is hot, do not open it.

2. Close the room windows.

3. If you cannot leave your room, stay calm. Call public safety at (201) 692-2222 to notify authorities of your location. Stuff sheets or clothing in cracks under doors. Hang a sheet out the window or shout for help to attract attention.
4. If you leave the room, close the door behind you. Stay low to the ground if smoke is present. Move quickly; do not run. Take a towel to avoid smoke inhalation. Wear a coat and shoes.

5. Do not use elevators. Use fire exits and stairs.

6. Do not re-enter the building until permitted to do so by residence hall staff.

Fire Drills may be conducted periodically. You must respond to any alarm as an actual emergency. In the event of an alarm, you are required to evacuate the building immediately. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action.

Fire Safety Equipment and Emergency Doors
Tampering with or disabling any part of the fire-alarm system (removing smoke-detector batteries, discharging a fire extinguisher, registering a false alarm or setting a fire) can endanger life and property and may result in termination of your housing contract, restitution, disciplinary action and/or criminal prosecution.

Opening an emergency or fire-exit door is prohibited at all times except during an emergency. An alarmed door should only sound in times of a fire or similar emergency. Therefore, causing an alarm to sound is the same as causing a false alarm and is a University violation.

Furnishings and Appliances
Students are responsible for the furniture provided for them. Furniture may not be removed from any room, suite or common area. Students are charged for the replacement of any furniture that is removed or damaged. Residents are not permitted to bring additional furniture into the residence halls not authorized by the Office of Residence Life or the Department of Facilities. Unauthorized furniture will be confiscated, becomes a property of the University and will result in a judicial hearing in the Office of Residence Life. The University will charge students for removal of any non-University furniture that is left in a room, suite or common area at the end of the year.

In residence halls with kitchens, a refrigerator, stove, dining table and chairs are provided. Students assigned to these buildings must provide their own cooking utensils, dishes, silverware and cleaning supplies.

Throughout the year, any damage to furniture in the residence halls should be promptly reported to the Office of Residence Life at (201) 692-2250. Residents should not attempt to make repairs themselves. At the end of the contract period, any vandalized or stolen furniture will be charged to the occupants of the respective room, suite, floor or building. If the party responsible for any vandalized or stolen furniture is identified, that party will be charged accordingly.

Mattresses are to be used on bed frames provided and not on the floor. All beds must be freestanding on the floor, supported by legs and attached to the bed frame.

Furniture in the common areas is for the use of students of the designated suite or floor and cannot be moved from that common area. Any student who misappropriates common-area furniture will be required to return it and may be sanctioned. If common-area furniture is found in a student's room or suite, the occupants of the residence will be charged accordingly.

Guest and Visitation Policy
Note: Only FDU faculty, staff, administrators and students authorized by the Office of Residence Life are permitted in the residence halls. All others will be considered trespassing.
The residence hall policies and procedures related to all guests of the residence halls exist to allow residents to have guests in a manner that does not infringe upon the comfort or rights of other residents and maintains an appropriate level of safety and security in the residence halls.

A roommate must not be deprived of the right to privacy, study time or sleep because of a guest. Thus, all students wishing to entertain an overnight guest must have the advance approval of their roommate(s) and/or suitemates. Asking permission for guests each time they visit must always be extended to those sharing a room and/or suite. If a roommate feels his/her right to free access of the room is being violated, he/she should contact the appropriate residence life staff member as in any other roommate-conflict situations.

Definitions

**Guest** — Defined as any person who is not a resident of the University residence hall and/or room being entered.

**Daytime** — Defined as 8 a.m. until midnight.

**Overnight** — Defined as 12:01 a.m. until 7:59 a.m.

**Resident** — Defined as any Fairleigh Dickinson University student who has a current room assignment.

**Commuter** — Defined as any Fairleigh Dickinson University student who does not reside in the residence halls.

**Host** — Defined as any FDU resident who plans to or has registered any guest (daytime or overnight).

**FDU Guest** — Defined as any Fairleigh Dickinson University student (resident or commuter).

**Non-FDU Person** — Defined as any individual who is not affiliated with FDU as a student, faculty, staff or administrator.

**Overnight Guest Pass** — Required for all individuals not affiliated with FDU.

**Overnight Guest Limits (non-FDU person)** — A non-FDU person can be the overnight guest of an FDU resident for three consecutive days at a time, with a maximum of 10 cumulative days per semester.

Consent Form — A form that must be filled out by a parent/guardian of a person under the age of 18, but at least 15 years old, wishing to spend the night in a University residence hall. Consent forms are available in the Office of Residence Life.

**Cohabitant** — A cohabitant is defined as an individual who adopts daily activities analogous to those of an assigned resident with respect to unlimited use of the room, using the amenities of the residence hall (such as a bathroom or laundry room) on a frequent basis and any combination of these or similar activities.

To Residents

1. **During daytime hours**, you may only sign-in up to a total of four non-FDU persons at a time. No limit on FDU guests (resident or commuter).

2. **During overnight hours**, you may only sign-in up to a total of two guests (FDU students or non-FDU persons) at a time. Non-FDU guests must be registered in advance (refer to Registering An Overnight Guest for Non-FDU Persons) at the Department of Public Safety. Non-FDU guests not registered as per the overnight guest registration procedures must vacate the residence hall by midnight. Violators will be considered trespassing.
3. **Visiting other residence halls** — You may visit other residence halls 24 hours a day by being signed in by a resident of that hall. The resident (your host) you are visiting must meet you in the main lobby/entryway of the building to sign you in with the hall security assistant. You will need to leave your valid FDU ID card with the hall security assistant to enter the building every time. Every time you leave the building, you must sign out with the hall security assistant and retrieve your FDU ID card. Upon your departure, your host must escort you to the main lobby/entryway of the residence hall.

4. **Having other FDU residents or FDU commuter students visit your hall** — You are able to host FDU students (residents and commuters) who do not live in your residence hall by signing in him/her with the hall security assistant in your building. You must meet all of your guests in the main lobby/entryway of your building. Your guest(s) will be required to leave their valid FDU ID card with the hall security assistant every time they enter the building. Guests must also sign out with the hall security assistant and retrieve their FDU ID cards every time they leave the building. Upon the departure of your guest(s), you must escort them to the main lobby/entryway of the residence hall. During overnight hours, you may only host up to two guests a time.

5. **Hosting a non-FDU person during daytime hours** — You are able to host non-FDU individuals in your residence hall by signing them in (four per resident) with the hall security assistant in your building. You must meet all of your guests in the main lobby/entryway of your building. Your guest(s) will be required to leave a valid state ID or driver’s license with the hall security assistant every time he/she enters the building. Guests must also sign out with the hall security assistant and retrieve their state IDs or driver’s licenses every time they leave the building. Upon the departure of your guest(s), you must escort them to the main lobby/entryway of the residence hall.

6. **Hosting a non-FDU person overnight** — You are able to host non-FDU individuals in your residence hall by following the procedures listed in the **Registering an Overnight Guest (Non-FDU Persons)**.

7. **Hosting a non-FDU person younger than 18 years of age** — Any person who is 15 years of age or older and would like to stay overnight in the residence hall must submit, at least seven days in advance, a Consent Form (see definition) completed by a parent/guardian containing a contact phone number for consideration to the Office of Residence Life. Once the request is approved by the Office of Residence Life, residents must follow the procedures listed in Registering An Overnight Guest (Non-FDU Persons). The Department of Public Safety must be provided with a copy of the guest’s Consent Form validated by the Office of Residence Life.

8. **Visitors younger than 15 years old are not allowed to stay overnight in University residence halls.**

**To Commuters**

1. If you wish to visit the University residence halls, your host must meet you in the main lobby/entryway of the building you are visiting. You will be required to sign-in and leave your valid FDU ID card with the hall security assistant every time you enter a residence hall. You must also sign-out with the hall security assistant and retrieve your FDU ID card every time you leave the building. Upon your departure from the building, your host must escort you to the main lobby/entryway of the residence hall.

2. As a commuter student, you have the privilege to visit the residence halls. This privilege can be revoked at any time at the discretion of the Office of Residence Life.
General Rules

The Guest and Visitation Policy applies to all Fairleigh Dickinson University students and their guests.

1. Under all circumstances and at all times, the privacy of a roommate takes priority over a guest.

2. All non-FDU persons who are registered overnight guests, must have their overnight guest passes in their possession at all times.

3. It is the responsibility of the host of any overnight guest, to meet his/her guest at the Department of Public Safety, upon arrival, to register his/her guest(s). A non-FDU person cannot register themselves as an overnight guest at the Department of Public Safety without his/her host being present.

4. Non-FDU persons who are daytime guests and who do not leave the residence halls by midnight will be considered trespassing and escorted out of the residence hall.

5. No more than two overnight guest passes will be issued at one time for a resident. A resident may have no more than two overnight guests at one time.

6. An overnight guest pass will be issued for no more than three consecutive nights.

7. A resident may have an overnight guest no more than three consecutive nights or 10 cumulative days total during the semester, whether with the same host or different hosts each night. Guests may not move from one host’s room to another in order to extend their stay in the residence halls.

8. The Guest and Visitation Policy is in effect on the first day of classes in the fall semester and ends on the last day of classes in the spring semester. Overnight guests are not permitted in University residence halls before or after these dates without the authorization of the Office of Residence Life.

9. Overnight guests are not permitted in the residence halls when the University residence halls are closed during winter break and spring break.

10. There may be special times of the year, such as exam periods, when the Guest and Visitation Policy may be restricted or modified. Residents will be notified of policy modifications during these interim periods.

11. In order to ease the congestion of the move-in period and to allow roommates the opportunity to discuss the issue of overnight guests in the room, no overnight guests will be allowed in the residence halls during arrival periods and the first week of classes of any semester/session.

12. A host is responsible for the actions of his/her guest.

13. ID access cards will not be provided for guests. Residents must not give their ID access card to guests in order for them to gain entrance to the room or the building.

14. Individuals found in the building who are not residents or guests of residents are considered to be trespassing.

15. All guests must be escorted by a resident of the building at all times. Individuals may be confronted by a staff member if they are not recognized as a resident of that building and/or they are not being escorted by a resident of the building.

16. Residents must have the permission of all roommates and suitemates (Lindens) in order to have overnight guests.

17. Any consistent violation of the Guest and Visitation Policy may warrant termination of guest and/or housing privileges.
18. An authorized guest with the appropriate parking pass or commuter decal may park his/her vehicle in the main parking lot, white lined section, in the north end of campus. Please refer to “Campus Parking and Vehicle Registration” in the Resident Manual.

19. Cohabitation and living or allowing another individual to live in a space to which he/she is not assigned is strictly prohibited.

Registering an Overnight Guest (Non-FDU Persons)

All guests must be registered. You can do this directly at the Department of Public Safety or by downloading an Overnight Guest Request at www.fdu.edu/reslifemetro. You must obtain all signatures and FDU ID numbers from your roommate(s) and suitemates (Lindens) to have your request considered. If you plan to have a non-FDU student visit you as an overnight guest, your Overnight Guest Request must be submitted to the Department of Public Safety at least 24 hours prior to your guest’s arrival. Incomplete requests will not be processed.

Hosts must bring their guest(s) to the Department of Public Safety on the date of their arrival with a valid picture ID. If approved, they will be provided with a copy of the validated Overnight Guest Request.

Your guest(s) will be required to carry a copy of the approved and validated Overnight Guest Request with them at all times. Failure to properly register your overnight guest(s) can lead to disciplinary sanctions and immediate removal of your guest(s) from the residence halls.

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact either the director of public safety or the director of residence life.

Hall Security

The Hall Security Assistant (HSA) program was created in an effort to enhance safety, security and community living in the residence halls at Fairleigh Dickinson University. HSAs are responsible for staffing the front desks of the Lindens and Northpointe residence halls. All guests of the residence halls are required to abide by the procedures set forth in the Guest and Visitation Policy.

The Department of Public Safety oversees the HSA program and is responsible for ensuring the security of all the University buildings, property and facilities; ensuring the safety of the faculty, staff, students and guests of the University; enforcing campus parking and traffic regulations; and maintaining close cooperation with local law enforcement agencies and fire and first-aid crews. The Department of Public Safety supports the residence life staff in the enforcement of campus standards and development and presentation of materials and programs regarding crime prevention and personal safety. The Department of Public Safety supplies information to the University community as required by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act.

Students are reminded that they share in the responsibility for the security of their rooms and the buildings in which they live. Students are encouraged to refrain from propping doors open or allowing individuals who seek entry to “piggyback” (allow others to enter the building without using their own entry card). If any student encounters vandalism, suspicious or threatening behavior or has a concern that his/her right of privacy is not being upheld, he/she should contact the director of residence life or the director of public safety.

Students are advised to be security conscious and to work toward community awareness in this area. Students are expected to be cooperative with residence life staff, public safety personnel and other campus administrators involved with the safety of the residence halls. Normal precautions, such as the following, are suggested: room, suite and exterior doors should be locked upon departure; strangers
should not be admitted; and personal items of value should be kept in a safe place. If you observe individuals who do not belong in the residence halls, contact the Department of Public Safety immediately. The Department of Public Safety can be reached at (201) 692-2222.

**ID Access Cards**

1. All residents gain access to their buildings, suites (Lindens) and rooms via their FDU ID cards.
2. Any resident leaving the University or residence halls prior to the end of the contract period must surrender his/her ID access card to the appropriate residence life staff person when vacating the room. Residents who lose or fail to return their ID access cards when checking out will be automatically assessed a charge of not less than $25 for the ID access card.
3. ID access cards may not be loaned, borrowed or used by anyone other than the resident to whom they are assigned.
4. Lost ID access cards should be reported immediately to the Department of Public Safety. A replacement fee is payable at the Department of Public Safety.

**Intersession Policy**

Residence hall charges and occupancy are based on a 15-week semester, as established in the undergraduate calendar. This period excludes all scheduled break periods, including winter and spring breaks. Students who have academic internships, are employed on-campus, are registered for classes, are in selective academic programs and are required to remain in the residence halls, are student teaching, are international students or are athletes required to stay by the University can live in the residence halls during winter and spring break periods with the approval of the Office of Residence Life. **There is a separate application required and an additional cost to remain in the residence halls during all scheduled break periods.** These rates will be available prior to each break period. Students may potentially be moved to different locations during these break periods. The dining hall may not be open during these periods. Intersession policy may not apply to residents of Linden 6. The residence halls will be open during the short Thanksgiving break.

**Laundry**

Washers and dryers are available in the residence halls for resident use at no additional charge. Laundry room facilities are intended for the sole use of current resident students only. No linen service is provided. Machine malfunctions should be reported to the resident assistant or the Office of Residence Life. **Only liquid detergent may be used.**

**Lindens** — Laundry rooms are located on the first floors of Linden 1, 3, 5, 6 and 8.
   - Monday to Thursday 8 a.m.–midnight
   - Friday 8 a.m. until midnight Sunday
   - Saturday 24 hours
   - Sunday 24 hours (closes at midnight)

**University Court** — The laundry room is located in the basement of University Court 6. Entrance is located on the side of the building facing University Court 5. The University Court laundry room is open 24 hours, seven days a week.

**Northpointe** — Laundry rooms are located on each floor. Northpointe laundry rooms are open 24 hours, seven days a week.
**Liability**

The University does not assume responsibility for the resident’s or other person’s loss of money or valuables, or for loss of, or damage to, personal property for any reason. Every resident is encouraged to obtain/carry adequate personal property insurance. The University recommends that the resident contact an insurance carrier concerning the availability of protection against such losses. As an option, residents can apply for a policy with National Student Services, Inc. (www.nssi.com) regarding personal property insurance prior to the start of the contract period.

**Lockouts**

Residents are responsible for carrying their FDU student ID cards with them at all times. Residents who are locked out of their rooms must always (24 hours a day) call a public safety officer (not an RA) at (201) 692-2222. Once a public safety officer or residence life staff member is dispatched to perform the lockout, the resident will need to provide proof of identification.

Residents will be assessed a minimum fine of $10 to their student accounts for each lockout performed. Your FDU ID card is your building, suite (Lindens) and room key. If you lose your ID card you will need to purchase a new one at the Department of Public Safety (Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.).

**Mail Services**

Each resident is assigned a mailbox and issued a mailbox combination number upon officially checking into the residence halls. All resident students are required to have a mailbox. Linden and University Court resident mailboxes are located in the lower level of the Student Union Building (SUB). Northpointe resident mailboxes are located in the lobby of Northpointe. Resident addresses should be listed in the following format (do not write P.O. Box, simply the word “Box” before your box #):

- Your Name
- Box Number (eg., Box 1234)
- 1000 River Road
- Teaneck, N.J. 07666

The Mailroom is located in the lower level of the Student Union Building and is open Monday through Friday, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Packages can be picked up during these hours. All mail is generally placed in resident mailboxes by noon of each business day. At the end of each academic year, or if a student vacates his/her room before the end of the contract period, he/she is responsible for completing a Change of Address Form. [Change of Address Forms](#) are available in the Office of Residence Life, the SUB Mailroom or can be downloaded at www.fdu.edu/reslifemetro.

**Meal Plans**

All resident students are required to have a meal plan with the exception of graduate students. All residents, at minimum, are required to have Meal Plan A (unlimited meals plus $100 flex dollars).

**Meal Plan Change Request**

- Who can apply — Graduate students and Linden 6, University Court 4, 6 and 10 residents only.
- Where to apply — Office of Residence Life
- Form to submit — Meal Plan Change Request
• Decision — Minimum 48-hour processing time at Office of Residence Life
• Deadline — First day of classes each semester

**Meal Plan Reduction Request**

• Who can apply: Residents requesting a modification to their meal plan for medical, religious, class schedule conflicts, etc.

• Where to apply: Office of Residence Life

• Form to submit: Meal Plan Reduction Request, Class/Internship/Work Schedule, Medical Consent Form (if medical).

• Decision: Second Friday of the semester. Notification via letter.

• Deadline to apply: First day of classes each semester.

Any submissions received after the deadline will not be considered.

**Prohibited and Restricted Items**

Certain items are prohibited in the residence halls for safety and security purposes. These include, but are not limited to, the following items:

Air conditioners; air freshener plug-ins; alcoholic beverages; alcoholic containers (open or unopened); alcoholic paraphernalia (e.g., keg taps, bongs, funnels); ammunition; blenders; burners of any type; candles; coffeemakers; decorative strings of lights; electric frying pans; espresso machines; extension cords; fireworks or explosives; flame-emitting articles; flammable liquids and other similar materials; flammable plants (i.e., punks); furniture — extra furniture is not allowed (e.g., sofas, beds, desks, chairs); grills (indoor or outdoor) of any kind including electric, gas or coal; firearms and/or guns of any type including bb guns, pellet guns and water guns; halogen lamps; heaters of any type; heating coils; holiday trees or other live items such as sprays of green and wreaths, Christmas tree lights, etc., are not permitted in the residence halls; hookahs; hotplates; hot pots; illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia (e.g., bongs, roaches); illegal knives (as defined by New Jersey law); incense; lava lamps; microwaves; ovens; pets (only small nonpoisonous fish in a tank not to exceed 5 gallons in size permitted); potpourri burners; power tools (large); refrigerators larger than 4.4 cubic feet; rice cookers; routers; slow or pressure cookers; smoothie makers; space heaters; toasters (only permitted in the kitchen area of residence halls with full kitchens); water gel or loft bed; weapons of any type (e.g., slingshots, chukka sticks, knives, Chinese stars, bows and arrows or any other dangerous instruments); and weightlifting equipment (large).

The following electrical appliances are authorized for use in student rooms if an Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. (UL) label is on the appliance: surge protectors, televisions, stereo component systems, clocks, fans, hair dryers, hair setters, personal refrigerators or microfridges rented from the University-approved vendor must be under 4.4 cubic feet (only one is allowed in any residence hall space) and personal computers.

**Public Safety and Emergencies**

For any and all campus emergencies (medical, fire, safety and security, thefts, etc.) immediately contact the Department of Public Safety at (201) 692-2222. Public Safety is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Dial 2222 from any campus phone. If emergency personnel need to be contacted, public safety will do so. If the RA on call in your building needs to be informed, public safety will contact them and any other residence life staff member that needs to be made aware your situation.
Quiet Hours and Courtesy Hours

Quiet hours (8 p.m. to 10 a.m. daily) are designated to support an environment that is conducive to learning. Residents have the right to sleep and study in their rooms at any time without interference from those around them. During quiet hours, sound must not be audible beyond the limits of any individual room, hallway or lounge.

Courtesy hours are in effect when quiet hours are not. During courtesy hours, your music, voices or noise should not be disruptive to your community. Residents are expected to comply immediately with the requests of others to lessen or eliminate noise. Residents are expected to demonstrate courtesy and consideration toward others at all times.

During final examination periods, 24-hour quiet hours will be in effect.

In mediating noise-related conflicts between residents, the staff gives top priority to the activities of study and sleep. Violation of quiet or courtesy hours will result in disciplinary action and/or a fine.

Residence Hall Association (RHA)

The Residence Hall Association is the governing student body of all residence halls and serves as the official voice of resident students. It serves as an advocate for the interests and concerns of residence hall students. Everyone that lives in on-campus housing is automatically a member of RHA.

RHA is committed to continuously improving the on-campus living experience for residents at Fairleigh Dickinson University. RHA exists to bring together members of the residence halls together through acts of service, leadership, education and socialization in collaboration with the Office of Residence Life.

The Residence Halls

Our residence halls are more than just buildings, they are living and learning centers. There are three residence hall areas on the Metropolitan Campus, each with its own distinct characteristics:

University Court

University Court is comprised of 10 separate townhouse-style buildings. Each building contains one to three sections per building, same-gender sections, two floors, one to two bathrooms per floor, mostly double rooms with some single- and triple-occupancy rooms. Each bedroom has cable television and LAN (Internet) access. There are one to two resident assistants per building. University Court is open to upper-classmen and graduate students. Freshmen admitted to one of our Special Living Options (L.I.F.E. House, Global Scholars Hall or Honors House) may reside in this area in designated buildings that may include building sections with same-gender floors.

The Lindens

The Lindens are comprised of eight buildings with three co-ed floors of same-gender suites each consisting of three double-occupancy rooms housing 58-64 residents per building. Each suite common area has a shared bathroom. All bedrooms have cable television and LAN (Internet) access. There are two resident assistants per building. All new freshmen reside in the Lindens with the exception of L.I.F.E. House residents, Global Scholars and Honors Scholars. Specific Linden buildings may be designated for upper-classmen and graduate students only. Academic year-round housing (August to May), when available, is provided in Linden 6 on a first-come, first-served basis. Building entry doors are staffed with a 24-hour hall security assistant, when classes are in session. New freshmen cannot request a single room.
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Northpointe

Northpointe is a traditional, corridor-style residence hall comprising of four co-ed floors with two wings per floor. It houses approximately 300 residents in same-gender, double-occupancy rooms that open into an interior hallway. Each bedroom has a private bathroom, cable television and LAN (Internet) access. Residents share a common lounge space on each floor. There are two resident assistants per floor. A kitchenette (two microwaves, a dishwasher, refrigerator and sink) is available on the third floor. Wheelchair-accessible rooms are available. The Northpointe main entry door is staffed with a 24-hour hall security assistant, when classes are in session.

Roommates and Suitemates

The rights of one’s roommate(s) and/or suitemate(s) must be respected at all times. This includes but is not limited to:

a) Respect for property,
b) Noise level,
c) Asking for and receiving permission for a nonresident of that room to visit that room,
d) Individual privacy and

e) The right to request that a roommate/suitemate contract be completed.

Living with a Roommate

Your roommate can help define your college experience. Whether it’s an old friend or someone you’ve never met, having a roommate will give you the chance to learn something new about yourself and about other people. Most students living in the residence halls will have at least one roommate. No matter how many roommates you have, you have to create a living situation that works for everyone.

Having a good roommate relationship relies on everyone being willing to get to know each other. To keep out the drama, there has to be communication, compromise and understanding.

Things for You and Your Roommate to Discuss on the First Day

1. Talk with your roommate about the expectations you have for each other regarding:
   - Overnight guests;
   - Cleaning the room;
   - Sharing;
   - Television, video game and stereo etiquette; and
   - Quiet times for sleep and study.

2. Discuss the rules of the University and the Office of Residence Life.

3. Be honest with your roommates. Tell them when you do or don’t like something that is going on in the room.

How to Be A Good Roommate

1. Your roommate has the right to read, study and sleep just like you do. Try to keep noise, guests and other distractions to a minimum. Ask first before inviting over a bunch of friends.

2. Don’t borrow your roommate’s stuff without asking. Chances are they will be happy to share food or lend you that really nice sweater or blouse.
3. Check with your roommates about overnight guests. Remember, it is their space too.

4. Keep it clean. If you feel like you’re doing all the cleaning, suggest setting a regular schedule so everyone has some responsibility.

5. Personal space is personal space. Respect your roommate’s privacy.

6. Make sure your guests know and follow the rules you and your roommates have established.

7. If you have a problem, talk with your roommate. Try to resolve issues quickly, honestly and without drawing in people who aren’t involved. Don’t just stew about an issue, talk about it.

8. If you and your roommate can’t settle an issue alone, talk to your RA immediately. The RA will do his/her best to help you resolve issues.

9. Don’t try to be the boss of everything. Treat your roommate as an equal and be ready to compromise.

**Roommate Contracts**

All first-year freshman students will be required to participate in a Roommate Contract process at the beginning of the contract period. Roommate contracts are recommended for returning students. The Roommate Contract is intended to help roommates set priorities and begin establishing open communication in their new “homes.” It also allows individuals to express their needs in maintaining a positive living environment. If problems arise, this Roommate Contract will be used as a tool for resolution. If you believe that your rights as a roommate or suitemate have been compromised, please discuss your concerns in an appropriate manner with your roommate(s) and/or suitemate(s). Should additional assistance be required, contact your resident assistant. Professional staff members are available if the initial mediation is unsuccessful.

**Steps for Roommate Mediation**

**Step 1**

It is vital that both students talk with each other first about the problems they are experiencing. Many times, misunderstandings and concerns can be addressed and resolved by simply talking with your roommate.

**Step 2**

To help students set priorities and begin establishing open communication for their “home,” the Office of Residence Life can provide you with a Roommate Contract (see Roommate Contract section). Take some time to talk with your roommate and complete the Roommate Contract together.

**Step 3**

You and your roommate must meet with your resident assistant to discuss your concerns. Your Roommate Contract will be used as a tool for resolution.

**Step 4**

If all efforts (steps 1 to 3) to mediate the matter have been attempted with no success, contact the Office of Residence Life to schedule a meeting with your area hall director to discuss the possibility of a room switch. Your hall director will need to meet with you and your roommate to discuss alternative resolutions prior to considering a room switch.
Room Changes

Fairleigh Dickinson University maintains a philosophy that students need to learn how to live with one another in a residential environment. This may be difficult at times due to individual differences among roommates. Residence hall staff has been trained to deal effectively with roommate conflicts. The Office of Residence Life strives to create diverse communities within the residence halls when creating room assignments. Returning students have the opportunity to select their room and roommate in the room-selection process during the previous spring semester.

For new students, the Office of Residence Life takes into consideration all requests listed on their Housing and Meal Plan Application and makes every attempt to honor the student's request(s), but these requests are not guaranteed. If an application for housing is submitted late, options may be limited, and students are therefore assigned a room based on space availability. As such, students living together may not be a perfect match. Even when all requests are met, student lives change and what started out as a perfect match in August may become a mismatch by October. When this happens, it is vital that both students talk with each other about the problems they are experiencing. Residence life staff can offer some suggestions for addressing the issue(s) with your roommate on your own.

Room-change Requests

Requested room changes are not considered during the first three weeks of classes. This period is crucial in tracking students who actually move in and cancellations. Room-change requests during the fourth week of class are not permitted unless deemed necessary by the Office of Residence Life. The student may not move to another room unless permission to do so has been granted by the Office of Residence Life. Since changing rooms usually involves more than just one individual, students are strongly urged to try to resolve their differences before requesting a room change as per the Steps for Roommate Mediation outlined above.

Unauthorized (Illegal) Room Changes

Unauthorized room changes are defined as those room changes that occur without prior authorization from the Office of Residence Life. Due to the administrative needs of the University and emergencies that may arise, it is essential that an accurate housing roster be maintained. If proper procedures are not followed, this may be construed as an unauthorized room change, and the students will be assessed a minimum $200 fine and will have to return to their original rooms. Students will be responsible for any damages found in the room where the unauthorized/illegal room change occurred. Students who are found in violation of this policy and involved in an unauthorized/illegal room change will forfeit their right of selection and will be assigned a new room through the Office of Residence Life.

Room Consolidation

Any student who does not have a roommate may be consolidated. Consequently, some students may be reassigned. Where possible, the reassignments will be done within the same floor and building, but this cannot be guaranteed. The only time students, with the exception of freshmen housed in the Lindens, in half-empty rooms have the option to purchase their rooms as super-singles is before consolidation.

The Office of Residence Life reserves the right to change a student's room during the course of a semester, if deemed necessary. If during the course of the semester, one student moves out of a room, the student remaining in the room may be required to accept a roommate or be assigned to another room. If a situation occurs such that there is no student to place in a partially occupied room, the occupant will be charged the normal room rate only.
### Room and Board Rates*

**Room Rates (per person)**

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### Room Condition Report (RCR)

Also refer to “Damage Billing.”

**Room Condition Report (RCR)** — The official document used by the Office of Residence Life to identify and track damages in your residence hall room.

**Prior to residents moving into their room,** a thorough inspection of each resident’s room is conducted by a staff member of the Office of Residence Life and all damages or needed repairs are noted on the RCR in the check-in section. Residents are not held responsible for damages or needed repairs listed in the check-in section of the RCR.

*Please note that all rates are subject to change.*
Upon checking into the residence halls, all residents will receive a copy of the RCR. Residents have the opportunity to conduct their own room inspection and report any discrepancies to their resident assistant within 48 hours of checking into their room. Any damages or missing items not listed on the original RCR must be noted at this time to prevent a charge for these at check-out time. If a resident does not report any discrepancies on his/her copy of the RCR and submit these to his/her RA by the deadline, he/she is indicating that the room is in the condition listed on the RCR at the time of check-in. If a resident reports any discrepancies on the RCR to his/her RA, the RA will revisit the room to review the new information and consider any changes that may need to be made to the official RCR.

Upon departing from the residence halls, all residents are required to schedule a check-out inspection with their RA. Any new damages or needed repairs of the resident’s room (this does not include common areas: suites, floors or buildings) will be listed in the check-out section of the RCR. Common-area charges are determined once all residents have vacated the building.

Check-out Inspections — All residents are required to schedule an appointment, by the date established by the Office of Residence Life, prior to moving out of the residence halls with their resident assistant to jointly complete a check-out inspection of their rooms. If a resident is moving out of a room during the course of the semester, the appointment must be made with the RA at least 48 hours before the desired check-out inspection day and time. A check-out inspection is not required for any break periods (Thanksgiving, winter and spring).

Room Dimensions
The dimensions listed below are approximate and will vary in some University Court rooms:

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Room Entry and Inspections
Rooms and buildings are inspected periodically by residence life staff and deficiencies in cleanliness and neglect or damage to University property will be dealt with through the disciplinary system. The University reserves the right to enter and inspect rooms for the purpose of:

a) Checking for violations of University policy, as well as, federal, state and local laws.
b) Maintaining sanitary standards that protect the safety, health and well-being of all residents.
c) Ensuring that University property is being properly maintained, completing repairs and fulfilling custodial responsibilities.
d) Conducting health and safety inspections.
e) Ensuring against fire hazards and other conditions which may place the resident or community in danger, potential harm or reasonable apprehension of harm.
f) Dealing with emergency situations, including assisting police, fire or emergency personnel.

g) Addressing a problem in a room/areas where the occupants are not present and/or cannot be contacted but has created a situation which disrupts other students living in the community (alarm clock, stereo, etc.)

**Room Inspections**

A room inspection is a visual assessment of a residence hall room conducted by University officials or representatives from outside agencies such as the fire inspector. While any University employee may be authorized, staff members in residence life, including resident assistants, public safety and campus facilities are primarily responsible for completing an inspection. During an inspection, it is required to physically check all University furnishings. Moving a resident’s personal belongings may be necessary if the belongings impede the inspection process. If a staff member discovers, in plain view, any item prohibited by the University, they are authorized to confiscate the item. Written documentation of this action will be left. Afterward, students are required to contact the Office of Residence Life to discuss the matter in a judicial meeting. Confiscated items become properties of the University and will be discarded or, when possible, donated to a local charity. Items will not be returned to residents.

**Room Searches**

A room search is an extensive physical examination of the fixtures, furnishings and personal property including, but not limited to, desks/drawers, closets, refrigerators as well as any adjoining room such as a bathroom. Only the Department of Public Safety is authorized to conduct a room search. On occasion, a residence life professional staff member may be present. Prior to the search, public safety will make a reasonable attempt to contact and inform the occupant(s) of the reason for the search and offer them the opportunity to voluntarily produce items or materials sought. While students may be present, they are not permitted to interfere or stop a search and are expected to comply with any reasonable request from a University official, including having to empty their pockets, purses, knapsacks, etc. While a warrant is not required, the decision to conduct a search will be based on the determination of “reasonable cause.” This is defined as sufficient facts and/or circumstances, which warrant a reasonable person to believe beyond mere suspicion that an alleged violation has occurred. Illegal items, including those prohibited by the University, will be confiscated and/or immediately destroyed. Depending on the item confiscated, it may also be turned over to local law enforcement agencies for criminal prosecution. Confiscated items may be retained as evidence for either a University hearing or criminal proceedings. It is at the discretion of the director of public safety whether a confiscated item retained as evidence is returned to the student.

Unapproved appliances or objects observed in a residence hall room shall be permanently confiscated by the University. Objects attached to the facilities in an unapproved manner will also result in disciplinary action. The University reserves the right to have the items removed at the expense of the resident(s).

**Safety Precautions**

Residents should **always lock their doors** whenever they leave their rooms, even if it is only for a short time. They should never leave their room doors unlocked or propped open even if their roommates are asleep! This leaves roommates especially vulnerable.

**Unauthorized use of ID access cards.** Borrowing or loaning FDU ID cards to guests or friends is strictly prohibited under any circumstances. Residents should keep close track of their FDU ID cards. It is not transferable.

Residents should never allow someone they do not know into the residence halls or their personal rooms. Any person visiting a resident of the building must always be received by his/her host in the
lobby of the building be escorted to the room. Residents should never open the door of their building for someone not visiting them. Residents should simply tell the person, “you must call the person you are visiting and ask them to come let you in.” As soon as residents choose to let strangers into the residence halls, they are compromising the safety and security of the building.

**Smoking**

Smoking is strictly prohibited in all residence hall buildings, rooms and common spaces. Smoking violations, at minimum, will result in a judicial hearing in the Office of Residence Life and a fine.

**Special Living Options**

**Global Scholars Hall**

The concept for the FDU’s Global Scholars Program was inspired by Fairleigh Dickinson University’s founding mission as an institution “of and for the world.” Located in University Court 4, this selective, residential and academically focused program brings a diverse group of first-year and upperclass students together for academic, residential and cocurricular activities with a global theme. One of the annual highlights of the program is a trip to an international destination. Past trips have included visits to South Africa, Greece and the Dominican Republic. Students join a distinctive community that is committed to developing a global perspective for tomorrow’s leaders. *There is a separate application process for admittance into the Global Scholars Program.*

**Honors House**

The University Honors Program and the Office of Residence Life work together to offer a special housing opportunity for all undergraduate University Honors Program students. Located in University 6, this program integrates intellectual stimulation and social interaction in a community-living environment designed specifically for University Honors Program students. Students will enjoy a close-knit community of residents that live and learn together. *There is a separate application process for admittance into the University Honors Program.*

**L.I.F.E. House**

L.I.F.E (Living in a Free Environment) House is a residence hall located in University Court 5 on the Metropolitan Campus for students who desire a living environment which promotes and supports an individual’s decision not to use unhealthy substances (eg., alcohol, tobacco products and illegal drugs).

Residents of L.I.F.E. House and their guests agree not to possess or distribute alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco or other smoking materials. Residents mutually agree to keep the community free of all aforementioned substances.

Residents are also encouraged to be active in creating, planning and executing substance-free programs, events and activities in collaboration with the BACCHUS (Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students) Peer Educators. The critical difference between L.I.F.E. House and the other residence halls is that students (as well as their guests) who choose this option will be required to abstain from using tobacco, among other smoking products, and alcohol.

Our primary reason for establishing L.I.F.E. House is to provide a living option for students who have made the decision to live in a substance-free environment. The possession, sale, use or distribution of alcohol and illegal drugs is strictly prohibited in all University housing. Smoking is prohibited inside all residence halls. *Interested students must complete a L.I.F.E. House Agreement.*
Storage

There is no on-campus storage for your personal belongings during the summer months. You must take everything with you. Property that remains in the room/suite after check-out will be discarded. If you need a place to keep your things during the summer, try Extra Space Storage at 487 Hackensack Avenue in River Edge (close to Riverside Square Mall) at (201) 996-0020 or www.extraspace.com.

Residence Hall Community Code

All Fairleigh Dickinson University students possess certain rights and privileges together with corresponding duties and responsibilities. Every student is entitled to freedom of action as a necessary expression of scholarly activities. The student is responsible for maintaining standards of conduct that do not interfere with the rights of others or with the effective functioning of the University as a center of inquiry and learning.

The University, through its University and residential disciplinary system, recognizes that all students, in addition to being members of the University community, also belong to the society at large. The University disciplinary code is in no manner, stated or implied, intended to protect or shield students from their responsibilities under local, state and federal law. The University reserves the right to refer any student who violates any federal, state or local law to our disciplinary system, regardless of whether the alleged violation took place on or off University property. The University reserves the right to refer any case that is not under the jurisdiction of the code to the appropriate authorities.

The establishment, interpretation and enforcement of the University and Residence Hall Community Code are designed to assist each student, as a member of the University community, in realizing educational goals and providing an environment in which every student may achieve his or her highest potential. As community members, students have many rights. Along with those rights come inherent responsibilities. These responsibilities include knowledge, understanding and acceptance of the policies that govern our community; adherence to these policies; and the enforcement of these policies. Therefore, if students are participating in an act that violates community standards in the residence halls or observe others disregarding any community standard in the residence halls, they are expected to make responsible decisions and take action considered appropriate for the particular situation or incident. When students violate a community standard, they are expected to accept responsibility for their actions and consequences resulting from their actions. Each action taken because of a University and Residence Hall Community Code violation must be appropriately applied to circumstances of the situation.

Prehearing Conference/Judicial Hearing

Residents who engage in behavior that violates any residence hall regulation of the Residence Hall Community Code or the University’s Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct are subject to, but are not limited to, educational sanctions, housing probation, housing suspension, housing dismissal, fines, change-of-room assignment and disciplinary action. Any resident’s violation of the Residence Hall Community Code will be reviewed by the Office of Residence Life and will generally result in a judicial hearing in the Office of Residence Life or through administrative action. Residents who are reported for alleged Residence Hall Community Code violations will be required to schedule a judicial hearing by contacting the Office of Residence Life at (201) 692-2250.

Incident Reports Forwarded to the Dean of Students Office

If a student violates the University’s Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct in a manner that involves narcotics/drugs, physical altercations, weapons, harassment, trespassing or sexual assaults,
the incident report will be forwarded to and handled by the Dean of Students Office. This procedure applies to all FDU students (commuter and resident).

**Scheduling a Judicial Hearing**

Residents who are reported for alleged Residence Hall Community Code violations will have two business days from the date of the report to schedule their judicial hearing by visiting or contacting the Office of Residence Life at (201) 692-2250.

**During a Judicial Hearing**

1. Residents will be provided with a copy of the Incident Reports (IR) to review.
2. Each resident will be given the opportunity to share his/her account of what transpired with the judicial hearing officer.
3. In some instances, the judicial hearing officer will be able to render a decision based on the IR and information presented during the judicial hearing. While other situations may require further investigation or meeting with other individuals involved in the case before a decision can be rendered.

**After the Judicial Hearing**

1. Two outcomes are possible as a result of the judicial hearing between a resident and a residence life judicial hearing officer. The student may:
   a) Accept responsibility or be found responsible for the reported incident or
   b) Be found not responsible.
2. A copy of the IR, a copy of the Judicial Hearing Summary Form and an official Sanction Letter will be mailed to the resident's campus mailbox.

**Appeal Process**

1. A decision can be appealed to the director of residence life only if the resident can demonstrate:
   a) new evidence or information that affects the case, (b) the severity of the sanction is inappropriate or (c) a violation occurred in the process.
2. The appeal must be filed in writing with the director of residence life. Residents will have until the end of the second full business day from the date of the original sanction letter to file their appeals.
3. All appeal decisions will be rendered in writing within five to seven business days of receipt of the appeal letter to the resident's mailbox.
4. All appeal decisions rendered by the director of residence life or his/her designee will be final.

**Sanctions**

Residence hall students who engage in behavior that violates any residence hall regulation of the Residence Hall Community Code or the University's Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct are subject to, but are not limited to, educational sanctions, housing probation, housing suspension, housing dismissal, fines, restitution, change-of-room assignment and disciplinary action.

**Administrative Contract Termination/Change-in-Room Assignment**

The Office of Residence Life reserves the right to cancel or deny a contract to a student, or to change the assignment of a student, if that student engages in the following conduct:

1. Disregards the rights of other residents,
2. Jeopardizes the safety and/or well-being of himself/herself or other residents,
3. Disrupts the residential environment or
4. Violates the University's Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct; the Residence Hall Community Code; and/or the terms and conditions of the Housing and Meal Plan Contract.

Residence Hall Regulations

The following regulations and standards are designed to protect the general welfare of the residential community and to create and maintain an environment of academic achievement, comfort, safety and respect for all who live in and visit the residence halls. Violations of any of these regulations may result in disciplinary actions including, but not limited to, fines, loss of privileges, housing probation, change-of-room assignment, removal from the residence halls or other disciplinary penalties. Illegal or unauthorized items are subject to immediate removal and/or permanent confiscation by appropriate University personnel. Conduct that is inconsistent with the goals and objectives of Fairleigh Dickinson University will not be tolerated. Students are required to become familiar with and abide by the regulations and policies as outlined in this publication, the Residence Hall Community Code, as well as the University's Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct. The Office of Residence Life is empowered to immediately remove residents who has exhibited behavior that leads a professional staff member to believe that the students' continued presence in the residence halls could constitute a danger to themselves or others.

1. Alcohol Policy — 1) Underage purchase, possession, consumption or distribution of alcohol; 2) providing alcohol to underage individuals and/or enabling or encouraging underage individuals to purchase, possess, consume or distribute alcohol; 3) violation of the alcoholic beverages policy; 4) public intoxication and/or 5) being in the presence of alcohol in any residence hall space.

2. Basketball Court — The use of the Linden basketball court is prohibited from 8 p.m. to 10 a.m. every day.

3. Bicycles — The storage of bicycles is not permitted in hallways, stairwells or lobby areas.

4. Blocking hallways or doors — Blocking hallways and doors with personal items is prohibited. Room doors must be kept free of flammable materials, particularly loose paper. Doors should not be wrapped or covered with flammable materials.

5. Building Modifications — Students are not to make any repairs to damages or structural modifications in their rooms, hallways or other University facilities. In addition, students are not permitted to drill any holes, remove closet doors or affix any items to the walls, ceiling or doors with nails, thumbtacks or screws.

6. Cooking — Cooking is prohibited in the residence halls except in kitchen areas provided by the University. Due to building structural differences, personal microwave ovens are not permitted unless it is a University-owned microwave or a microfridge rented from the University-approved vendor. Any unauthorized appliance is subject to permanent confiscation and fines. See Prohibited and Restricted Items section.

7. Damages — Students are responsible for all damages done to their rooms, suites, buildings and furnishings therein, including carpets and kitchen appliances where applicable. Deliberate or excessive damage will result in disciplinary penalties. Intentional damage, grossly negligent damage or vandalism is prohibited. Students will care for their assigned rooms and leave them at the end of the academic year in good order and clean condition. Use of nails, screws, hooks, tacks, decals, or adhesives, which damage walls, ceilings, furniture, doors, windows or fixtures, is prohibited. An occupant of a room will be held responsible for the condition of the room and furnishings and for any damages or losses to the room, whether caused by the occupant or others (see Damage Policy).
8. **Elevators** — Elevators in Northpointe are for moving people and equipment between floors. Students should refrain from the following behaviors when using an elevator: 1) Tampering with or abusing any of the elevator equipment or controls. 2) Prying open elevator doors or holding them open by the safety edges. 3) Attempting to exit an elevator that is stuck between floors without directions and assistance from elevator technicians or emergency personnel. 4) Jumping up and down in the elevator. In addition, students should never use an elevator in a fire.

9. **Emergency Doors** — Use of any emergency door/exit in non-emergency situations is strictly prohibited.

10. **Fire-safety Equipment** — Tampering with any fire equipment including, but not limited to, fire alarms, fire extinguishers, smoke/heat detectors or sprinklers is prohibited.

11. **Fire Alarms** — Students and their visitors are required to immediately evacuate any campus building when an alarm sounds or when instructed as such by a University staff member. Students and their visitors may not re-enter the buildings until authorization has been given to do so.

12. **Fire Hazards** — Practices or items that are considered a fire hazard or a danger to the University community will not be permitted. Fire regulations prohibit the placement or suspension of flammable materials either from ceilings, furniture, sprinkler heads or light fixtures or in a manner that could block the egress from a room, suite, corridor or building.

13. **Guest and Visitation Policy** — Students are required to adhere to the established guest and visitation policies as defined in the Guest and Visitation Policy section.

14. **Health and Safety** — Students are to maintain sanitary standards that protect the safety, health and well-being of residents. Authorized representatives of the University have the right to enter any space at any time to inspect facilities.

15. **Identification** — Any member of the campus community or his/her guest(s) must present proper identification when requested to do so by a University staff member, including resident assistants. Students are required to carry their FDU ID cards with them at all times. Failure to present proper identification of oneself, or one’s guest, and knowingly furnishing false information are not permitted.

16. **Lofts and Stacking Furniture** — Due to municipal fire code enforcement, lofts and stacking of furniture are not permitted on the Metropolitan Campus.

17. **Motorized Vehicles** — Motorized vehicles are not permitted inside any residence hall nor are they permitted to be chained to the exterior of any building.

18. **Noise** — Quiet hours are from 8 p.m. to 10 a.m. daily. Quiet hours must be respected at all times. At no time should noise levels be unreasonable. While quiet hours are in effect, no one should hear your noise in another room or study area. The privilege of the possession of stereos and televisions may be suspended at any time due to inconsiderate usage. During final exam periods, 24-hour quiet hours are in effect.

19. **Noncompliance** — Failure to comply with the directives of residence hall staff while acting in an official capacity is prohibited.

20. **Pets and Animals** — Pets and animals are not permitted anywhere in the residence halls, with the exception of Seeing Eye dogs and nonpoisonous fish. One small fish tank (not to exceed 5 gallons in size) is permitted.
21. **Prohibited and Restricted Items** — Students are not allowed to possess any prohibited and restricted items in the residence halls. A comprehensive list of items not permitted in the residence halls is provided, but not limited to, in the Prohibited and Restricted Items section.

22. **Prohibited Activities** — Any actions including, but not limited to, rappelling, hanging out of windows, throwing objects at windows or pedestrians, participating in sports in hallways or stairwells and engaging in water battles or food fights are dangerous and disruptive practices and will not be tolerated. Students are not permitted on building roofs and will be subject to disciplinary action if found on the roof of any campus building.

23. **Propping Open Doors** — Propping open any residence hall and/or emergency doors violates hall security and is strictly prohibited.

24. **Refrigerators** — Refrigerators larger than 4.4 cubic feet are not permitted in any residence hall unless designated otherwise or approved by the Office of Residence Life. Only one personal refrigerator or microfridge rented from the University-approved vendor is allowed in any residence hall space.

25. **Restricted Areas** — Students are prohibited from entering janitors’ closets, boiler rooms and other unauthorized areas.

26. **Routers** — The use and/or installation of routers or the extension/enhancement of the computer network is prohibited.

27. **Screens and Windows** — Screens are not to be removed from any residence hall windows. Objects are not to be thrown from or out of any window.

28. **Smoking** — Smoking is prohibited in the residence halls.

29. **Solicitation** — Door-to-door solicitation is not permitted in the residence halls. Exceptions can be made only by the Office of Residence Life. Residence hall facilities cannot be used for commercial enterprise or personal gain. No door-to-door solicitation or distribution of materials/information is permitted with the exception of those items distributed by members of the Office of Residence Life within the parameters of their official duties. Solicitation of information (examples include, but are not limited to, surveys, polls, etc.) are not permitted except by members of the Office of Residence Life in the performance of their duties.

30. **Space Heaters and Air Conditioners** — Space heaters and air conditioners are not permitted (unless provided by the Department of Facilities).

31. **Unauthorized Exit/Entry** — Using an unauthorized window or door as a means of ingress/egress is prohibited.

32. **Unauthorized Furniture** — Students may not remove any furniture from their rooms without permission from the Office of Residence Life. Lounge furniture is not permitted in student rooms. Students cannot bring in additional furniture, unless approved by the Office of Residence Life and the Department of Facilities.

33. **Unauthorized Room Changes** — Students may change rooms only with the authorization of the Office of Residence Life (see Room Changes).

34. **Vacating the Residence Halls** — Students must vacate the residence halls by the date and time established by the Office of Residence Life at the end of each semester/session and break period (winter and spring) or within 24 hours after their last final exams at the close of each semester, depending on whichever comes first. Those who withdraw from the University and/or residence halls during any contract period must leave within 24 hours of their official date of withdrawal or
by the date and time established by the Office of Residence Life. Residents who withdraw from the University and/or residence halls at the end of any semester/session, must vacate the residence halls by the date and time established by the Office of Residence Life. All withdrawals from the residence halls must be authorized by the Office of Residence Life. Residents are not permitted to remain in the residence halls past the established closing date and time without the authorization of the Office of Residence Life. Dates of closing and opening will be posted.

35. **Water and Gel Beds** — Water beds and/or gel beds are not permitted.

**Violations of the Residence Hall Community Code**
*(Below from Student Handbook)*

1. **Alcohol**
Illegally possessing, using, distributing, manufacturing, transferring, selling or being under the influence of alcohol. Alcoholic beverages may not, in any circumstance, be used by, possessed by or distributed to any person under 21 years of age. Use, possession or distribution of beverages containing alcohol on University property shall comply with the laws of the state of New Jersey and University policies and rules. The Metropolitan Campus is a dry campus (no alcohol is allowed on campus).

1.01 Presence at gathering where beverages are present
1.02 Open container of an alcoholic beverage in a public area, including around residence halls
1.03 Possession of device for mass consumption (funnel, bongs, etc.)
1.04 Underage possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages
1.05 Possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages in a dry area (i.e., Metropolitan Campus)
1.06 Use of concealed containers for alcoholic beverages
1.07 Intoxication/public intoxication
1.08 Supplying/making available alcoholic beverages to underage students
1.09 Participation in or providing the means for drinking games (including, but not limited to, the promotion of binge drinking of alcoholic beverages)
1.10 Possession of kegs, beer balls and/or other types of containers that hold large quantities of alcohol
1.11 Other alcohol incident/violation

3. **Theft and Other Property Offenses**
Bribery, extortion, misappropriation of funds or stealing, vandalizing, damaging, destroying or defacing University property or the property of others.

3.02 Damage or creating a condition requiring restoration or clean up
3.03 Theft and/or possession of residence hall or other FDU property
3.04 Possession of lost, stolen or misplace property, finances or records
3.07 Theft/misappropriation of funds
3.11 Vandalism
3.12 Other

6. **Endangerment and Hazing**
Physically harming or threatening to harm any person, intentionally or recklessly causing harm to any person or reasonable apprehension of such harm or creating a condition that endangers the health and safety of self or others, including through the facilitation of or participation in any mental or physical hazing activity.

6.02 Creating a condition that endangers
6.06 Direct threat or harm to self or another
6.09 Other
9. Fire Safety
Tampering with fire or other safety equipment or setting unauthorized fires.
9.01 Possession and/or use of prohibited items and/or appliances
9.02 Compromising egress from a room and/or building by creating a greater risk
9.03 Creating a condition that endangers health and safety
9.04 Late or failure to evacuate the building during a fire alarm
9.05 Tampering with fire-safety equipment including smoke detectors, exit signs, blocking exit doors and discharging fire extinguishers
9.06 Pulling a false alarm
9.07 Other

10. Disorderly Conduct
Engaging in disorderly, disruptive, lewd or indecent conduct, including, but not limited to: inciting or participating in a group disruption; failing to leave the scene of a group disruption when instructed by officials; disruption of programs, classroom activities or functions and processes of the University; creating unreasonable noise; or creating a physically hazardous or physically offensive condition.
10.01 Excessive noise or quiet-hours violation
10.02 Urinating in public
10.03 Throwing food or any objects that present health/safety risk or is damaging or disruptive
10.04 Obstructing access or disruption of classes, services and/or operations
10.06 Destruction of property under $500
10.07 Destruction of property above $500
10.08 Other

11. Unauthorized Entry or Use
Unauthorized entry, use, occupation or attempted entry of any University facility, areas or other components of the University physical plant or property, which includes both indoor and outdoor space. This includes the violation of no-trespass and persona non grata sanctions.
11.01 Unauthorized entry into buildings, facilities, rooms, offices
11.02 Use of any emergency doors/exit in non-emergency situations is strictly prohibited
11.04 Storage of bicycles in hallways, stairwells, lounges, lobby areas
11.05 Unauthorized room change
11.06 Unauthorized entry onto roofs of FDU buildings
11.07 Improper use of elevators (alarm button and emergency phone)
11.11 Other

12. Community Standards
12.01 Removal or unfastening of residence hall window screen
12.02 Violation of guest policy
12.03 Failure to produce an ID upon request by any FDU official
12.04 Failure to comply with a directive of any FDU official
12.05 Presenting false information to any FDU official
12.06 Violation of non-smoking policy
12.07 Failure to comply with sanctions
12.10 Violation of any civil or criminal statute
12.11 Violation of policy or regulation by a guest of a student
12.12 Other
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