For the third year in a row, UW Residence Life & Dining Services (RLDS) is very excited to let residents select their own rooms and roommates in the residence halls. In 2018, RLDS moved away from a “room assignment” process, in favor of a “room selection” process, because we wanted to give students more autonomy to select their rooms and roommates.

While current residents are able to select rooms for the 2020-2021 year through May 8, 2020, new residents will start the room selection process on July 7, 2020. Part of the reason for this timeline for new residents is so that they can attend one of the June New Student Orientations, where they may learn more about Living Learning Communities (LLCs) and Freshman Interest Groups (FIGs). This also provides students the chance to meet a friend they would like to live with during the academic year. For more information about the room selection process and timeline, please see our Room Selection FAQ webpage.

As you think more about where in the residence halls you would like to live, we encourage you to see the communities that each residence hall houses (more information is available on the Room Selection FAQ webpage). You will see that each of our four residence halls (Downey, McIntyre, Orr, and White) have a combination of Freshman Interest Groups (FIGs) and living learning communities (LLCs). The Tobin House, is scheduled home to our First Generation Students community. First-generation students can face unique challenges, and this community aims to help students have a successful transition to college. Students who choose this community will have access to additional opportunities to learn about the university, interact with first-generation staff and faculty, and gain valuable skills and resources. Those selected to live in the Tobin House will have their room assigned by RLDS.
Returner Room Selection
For current students who live in the residence halls during the spring 2020 semester.

Freshman Interest Group (FIG) Room Selection
For new students in FIGs, or other groups which require housing on specific residence hall floors. FIG students who do not select a room by the end of FIG Room Selection will be manually assigned by RLDS to spaces corresponding to their group affiliation.

*Please note: Student selected to live in the Tobin House will be assigned their room space by RLDS.*

Standard Room Selection
For new students who have not selected or been assigned room spaces yet. This includes students interested in a specific LLC.

Rooms Assignments Made By RLDS
Any students with completed contracts but no room assignments at the end of Standard Room Selection will be auto-assigned by RLDS.

Notification Emails Begin
All email communications will be sent to students’ UW email addresses. Emails will include hall and room assignment, meal plan, mailing address, and roommate name and contact information.
UW Residence Life strives to create a true ‘home-away-from-home’ environment in which students can grow and thrive. Working with new and returning students through the housing and meal plan contract process is the first step toward living with new friends in the Cowboy community!

JILL ALDRIDGE

Our UW Apartments offer a variety of options for sophomore students and above. You will find a friendly and fun community while still being able to live independently. As a former UW Apartment resident, I enjoy helping students find the best fit for them in one of our four complexes close to campus.

BRENNA POWELL

Residence Life & Dining is made up of a community of people that truly care about the wellbeing of our students, faculty, and staff. We work very hard to create a welcoming environment for new and returning students in all our residence halls. Community living and dining is the best way for students to make new friends.

AMANDA JUAREZ