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Welcome!

You are receiving this email because you have successfully completed the 2026-2027 UW Housing & Dining Services contract! We are so excited to be a part of your college experience and look forward to helping you succeed during your journey at UW.

The UW residence hall contract establishes a housing and dining contract for the entire academic year. No additional contract is required for the spring semester, as the completed contract is valid and binding for both fall and spring semesters. The [Housing & Dining Services Contract](#) is agreed to on completion of the online contract. First year students are required to live on-campus, per the Board of Trustees [New Student Live-In Policy](#). Convenient campus location, exceptional dining facilities, and a supportive live-in staff are all reasons many students elect to return year after year to the halls.

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RESIDENCE LIFE

Our live-in staff is second to none! Each first-year community has its own full-time live-in Residence Coordinator (RC). The RC oversees the building Resident Assistant (RA) staff. RAs are student leaders within the residence halls and are responsible for the development of a community atmosphere to help residents gain a sense of pride and ownership in their living environment. RAs are a live-in resource for any questions or concerns that residents may have during their living experience. Don't hesitate to reach out to the RAs on your floor or the RC of your building! They look forward to getting to know you!

DINING CENTER INFORMATION

A Dining Center meal plan is required of all hall residents. Initial meal plan selection is completed as part of the online housing application. The new Dining Center at North Hall is the centerpiece of the residential dining program and social hub of the residence halls. Designed as a marketplace-style dining facility, multiple serving platforms provide a variety of options, depending on your dietary needs. Our friendly staff strives to create and rotate new menu items often as well as host special dinners throughout the year. Vegan and vegetarian options can be found at almost every serving platform and Gluten Friendly options are also available. Have special dietary needs? Please reach out to [Jesse Reece](#), Assistant Director of Dining Support Services. Jesse can answer your specific dining questions and help address your individual needs. More information about our dining program will be shared in the June edition of Contract Chronicles.





WHERE WILL I LIVE IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS?

As you completed your housing contract, you had the option of letting us know your placement preferences:

Hall Location Preference: Do you prefer placement in one of our new residence halls, [North or South](#)? Perhaps you'd like to live in [McIntyre Hall](#), a legacy hall with lots of personality!

The [Tobin House](#) is home to Honors College Students. If interested in the Tobin House, an additional, separate [application](#) is required. This small and unique living option offers a close-knit community of approximately 60 students and is bolstered with faculty support from the Honors College.

The [Upperclassman Hall at Orr](#) offers qualifying returning students, those age 21+, transfer students (with 24+ credit hours earned after high school graduation), and graduate students the opportunity to live in a community specifically designed with upperclassmen in mind. All rooms are single occupancy, and a special meal plan is available to those living in this community. Complete the housing application and select the 20+/Sophomore+ LLC option. A survey will be sent after completion for you to confirm your placement in Orr Hall!

Room Type Preference: Most rooms are double occupancy, with a limited number of small twin single and suite-style rooms. Placement in a room other than double occupancy is based on any accommodation needs and application completion date.

For information regarding different room types and sizes (Standard Double Room, Small Twin Single Room, Suite-Style Rooms), please see our [Traditional Halls webpage](#) and [North/South Hall webpage](#). *(Please note: Single Rooms and Suite-Type Rooms are available on a very limited basis. Housing cannot guarantee that you will be placed in either of these room types.)*

Roommate Preference: If you'd like to live with a specific person, they can be requested within the housing application.

Living Learning Community (LLC) Preference: Choosing to participate in an LLC surrounds you with others who have similar interests, identities, or academic aspirations. College success is more than getting good grades; it's about getting involved with the things that matter to you! Depending on your LLC selection, you may benefit from early class enrollment.

ROOM ALLOCATION OVERVIEW

Room assignments for the 2026-2027 Academic Year will be determined through an allocation process managed by the Housing office. Your responses to the questions in the housing application will play a critical role in how you are assigned a room. The allocation will be based on the following factors, prioritized in the order listed:

- 1. Completion Date of Housing and Dining Application:** The earlier you submit your completed application, the better your chances of securing your preferred room.
- 2. Type of Room Requested:** The type of room you request (e.g., single, suite, double, etc.) will be considered. Most rooms are double occupancy, so you should plan on having a roommate.
- 3. Room Location/Rate Preference:** Rooms in North & South Halls have a slightly higher rate than our legacy halls.
- 4. Self-Selected Roommates:** If you have selected a roommate, both students must confirm this choice. *Note: Roommate preferences are prioritize over Living Learning Community (LLC) placement.*

IMPORTANT NOTE:

- If you have a preferred roommate, you should either have the same LLC selection or one of you should select 'No Preference' as the LLC option.
- 5. Living Learning Community (LLC) Assignment:** Room allocations consider your top three LLC preferences. If you have selected a roommate, both of you should be in the same LLC or one of you should select 'No Preference' as the LLC choice. If your primary priority is getting into your preferred LLC, please notify the Housing Office, but be aware that you may not be assigned with your selected roommate.

CONTRACTS TIMELINE 2026

May 12:

Hall Placement Email will notify students of hall location placement but not specific room information.

July 9:

Last day to make a roommate selection within your housing application.

July 24:

Room Notification Emails Sent... check your UW email! This will include your hall and room number (that you selected or were assigned to), mailing address, roommate name & contact information, and selected meal plan.

August 21:

Saddle Up Move-In Day! First year students will move in to participate in this college introductory program. An additional room and meal plan charge will apply for the Saddle Up program. Watch your email in August for detailed move-in instructions.

August 29:

Returner Move-In Day & Academic Year Housing Contract Begins.

August 31:

Classes Begin.

September 7:

No Classes; Labor Day Holiday.

September 11:

Last Day to Change Meal Plan for the Fall Semester.