July 17, 2020

Dear Student,

This is a follow-up letter to Emory University’s update about fall 2020 semester plans. As Emory charts a path forward to plan for a safe and healthy fall 2020 semester, we look forward to welcoming students to campus. Emory University is an inclusive community that supports all students and their intellectual and personal development. Mindful of the health and safety of all our students, we will only have a limited number of on campus beds available to employ best housing practices in this challenging environment. Therefore, we will be unable to accommodate every student who desires to live on campus.

Emory’s residence halls will operate at reduced density with one student per bedroom. The following students with an active 2020-21 Housing Agreement are permitted to live in residence:

- first-year students,
- international students,
- new transfer students,
- undergraduate students receiving scholarships as part of a Scholarship Program specifying on-campus housing as a condition of their scholarship,
- select seniors completing Honors work, and
- students approved to remain on campus during the special spring 2020 process.

If you are a student within these categories and intend to stay on campus, please log into the MyHousing portal and sign the 2020-21 Atlanta Campus Housing Addendum by Tuesday, July 21 to confirm your housing. If you have not signed the Housing Addendum by 5 PM on July 21, we will assume that you are no longer interested in living on campus and will release you from your housing agreement and assignment.

Once you have accepted the Housing Addendum, housing assignments for first-year students will post on Monday, July 20.

Housing assignments for returning students will post on Monday, July 27.

Upon receiving your housing assignment, you will be invited to sign up for COVID-19 Testing and Move In timeslot.

Students who will be Considered for Limited Exceptions
We recognize that for some students, living on campus is essential for them to have the learning environment to succeed academically. Students whose home or financial insecurity, time zone differences or access to technology will make it impossible for them to complete their studies off campus, will have the opportunity to request to stay in Emory housing. Only a
limited number of residence hall rooms are available, so students should exhaust other options for a secure living situation before requesting to live on campus in the fall.

To make a request, please complete the *Fall 2020 Housing Request form*. This link will be available through the MyHousing portal beginning *July 17*. The *deadline* to submit a housing request is *July 21*.

Decision letters will be sent to students who have submitted the Housing Request form beginning **Friday, July 24**. If you are permitted to stay on campus, assignment information will be available on the MyHousing page beginning *Monday, July 27*. At that time, you will be invited to sign up for a COVID-19 testing and move-in timeslot. We encourage students to wait until a decision is received from the review committee prior to making travel arrangements.

*Students who do not fall into any of the categories listed above will not be able to live in on-campus housing.* For information about off-campus housing options, please visit [https://offcampushousing.emory.edu/](https://offcampushousing.emory.edu/).

**Meal Plans**
Meal plan selection will be available next week on your [MyHousing](https://myhousing.emory.edu/) portal. All students living on campus, except those living on the Clairmont Campus will be required to select a meal plan. Watch for an email from campus dining early next week explaining new meal plans, pricing, and an overview of what you can expect from dining this fall.

**Move In**
Fall 2020 Move In will take place *August 13-17, 2020*. Students will be able to select their COVID-19 testing and move-in timeslot. Dates and times will be determined by your assigned residence hall. We encourage students to wait for the COVID-19 testing and move-in timeslot selection to open before making travel arrangements.

We recognize that this was not the fall semester you or any of us envisioned. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we meet these unprecedented challenges together.

Sincerely,

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