EMORY UNIVERSITY RESIDENTIAL POLICIES
ATLANTA AND CLAIRMONT CAMPUSES
2024-2025

All Emory University residential policies may be amended at any time. The terms “residence,” “residence hall,” or “university housing” used herein refer to all the residential facilities owned or operated by Emory university. Violations of policies may be referred to the Office of Student Conduct.

The residential communities enhance the academic environment and strive to provide students with safe, well-maintained housing, and a positive living experience. All students have the right to expect a community that is conducive to study, sleep, and socialization. To foster this shared community, it is necessary for the university to have policies and procedures in place to protect individual and community rights and serve as community standards for all residents.

As a member of Emory University residential community, it is an expectation that you understand and abide by all University policies. The university is obligated to act when policies are violated. Students in violation of university policies will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. Please refer to the Undergraduate Code of Conduct or contact the Office of Student Conduct at (404.727.3154) for more information about the student conduct process.

Residents are responsible for the actions of their guests. In cases where the guest of a resident violates policy, the hosting resident may be subject to student conduct consequences. If the guest is an Emory student, then they also will be held responsible for their actions.

1.1 Abandoned Property
All personal possessions, furnishings, trash, and/or discarded items must be removed from the resident’s assigned living space prior to checking out of the space. Property left behind in or around any university residential buildings will be considered abandoned. Abandoned Items may be donated or discarded without prior notification to the resident. Staff will remove items still in the resident’s room after check-out, at the owner’s expense.

1.2 Alcohol
Emory University adheres to and enforces all state and local laws, regulations and ordinances concerning the use, manufacture, possession, consumption, sale, or distribution of alcohol, illegal drugs, and controlled substances. Students under the age of twenty-one (21) who buy or knowingly have or possess alcoholic beverages violate state law and University policy.

- Residents under the age of 21:
  - Are not allowed to possess, consume, or store alcohol in any residential facilities, consistent with state law.
- Residents aged 21 and over:
  - Are allowed to possess, consume, or store alcohol in their assigned room/apartment in any residential facility, consistent with state law.

1.2.1 In and around Residence Halls
- Alcohol is not allowed in community spaces or outdoor areas (such as lawns, porches, decks, parking lots, lobbies, lounges, study rooms, or hallways) without prior approval from the Office of Residence Life.
- Common use /shared containers (such as kegs, cases of beer, and punch bowls) are not permitted.

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Brewing or production of alcoholic beverages, drinking games, activities, and paraphernalia (e.g., funnels, beer pong tables, and ice slides) that promote the rapid and unsafe consumption of alcohol are prohibited.

Organizations that fall under the Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life (OSFL) must follow regulations from OSFL, including event registration, and from their respective (inter)national organizations.

1.3 Alterations
No permanent alterations or modifications, including painting, can be made to the student’s assigned living or shared space. All shelves, beds, tarps, etc., must be free-standing and may not be affixed to walls, ceilings, balconies, or other permanent fixtures. Ceiling fans, dimmer switches, and other electrical alterations are prohibited. The university does not allow residents to build or install their own lofts or raised bed structures.

1.4 Balconies and Windows
Items may not be hung, draped, or otherwise affixed to balconies and windows. Throwing items, including fireworks, off balconies and windows is not allowed. Balconies include any platforms overlooking an area below, whether they are outside an apartment or in a breezeway.

1.5 Bicycles
Bicycles should be safely secured on bike racks outside the residential buildings. Bicycles may not be stored in stairwells, hallways, student bedrooms, bathrooms, or other indoor areas for safety reasons. Register your bicycle with the Emory Police Department and keep it locked when not in use. Bicycles left behind at the end of the academic year will be considered abandoned and donated to charity.

1.6 Candles and Incense
Candles, incense, and other combustible materials are prohibited in the residence halls, regardless of decorative purposes. Students observing traditions involving candles should work with the Office of Spiritual and Religious Life to identify spaces where candle use may be permitted.

1.7 Cooking
Cooking is restricted to kitchen areas in the residential buildings set aside for this purpose. Residents may not cook in their bedrooms, living rooms, or other shared common spaces.

1.8 Decorations
Residents are encouraged to personalize their rooms, while still following the guidelines below:

a. Decorations must be non-combustible, or inherently flame resistant, and should not block access to fire safety equipment or exits.

b. Non-flammable door decorations are permitted; however, lights are not allowed on the doors’ exteriors.

c. All lights and electrical decorations must be Underwriters Laboratories (UL), or Electronic Testing Laboratories (ETL) approved.

d. Use small tacks or nails to hang posters, prints, and pictures. Velcro, double-sided tape, hooks with double-sided tape, etc. will damage surfaces and are prohibited.

e. Residents may not paint or adhere to surfaces or university furniture any type of wall covering.

f. Flags, sheets, nets, or large pieces of material hung or draped from the ceilings/walls are prohibited.

g. Overhead and room lights should not be covered with any material. Large pieces of material are considered a fire hazard, especially when draped across the room lights. Black (or dark) overhead light bulbs are prohibited in existing light fixtures.

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h. Light fixtures, sprinkler heads and pipes should never be used to hang items. Additional weight on sprinkler heads will cause them to burst and flood the area.

i. Posting items on windows, visible from the outside, is not permitted.

j. No live or cut trees are permitted in any residential facility.

k. Do not overload outlets or hang lights near flammable materials. Unplug decorative lights if you are not present and at the end of the day. Decorative lights may not be hung from sprinkler heads or the exterior of the residential room door, or on balconies. Light strips may be installed if they meet the previously mentioned requirements, however, residents are responsible for the repair costs of any damage caused by their removal.

1.8.1 Lodges/Houses

a. Sorority lodges and fraternity/themed houses are permitted to request building-wide decorations. The organization /themed house must provide the decorations and a design layout plan. Requests to decorate must be submitted at least 30 days (about 4 weeks) in advance using this form: https://forms.office.com/r/EK5r1fJRBS.

b. Housing Operations will be responsible for installing and removing exterior decorations that require overhead installation. For safety reasons, this must not be done by students. Winter decorations will be installed after Thanksgiving break and will be taken down during or after the winter recess.

c. Organizations can put up limited exterior decorations that are not attached to the facility, are not electric, or have an active flame, e.g. jack-o-lantern without a lit candle. These decorations must be out of the way of foot traffic and should not block pathways or doors.

1.8.2 Event Decorations

a. Sorority and fraternity social event-based decorations must be included in the Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life event registration. Decorations must be set up the day of the event and cleaned up completely before 9 AM on the morning following any activity or event sponsored by or endorsed by the organization, including those that occur on or off organizational premises.

b. Sand, water, hay, or any other materials that could damage surfaces, including the lawn, when decorating inside or outside of the building are prohibited.

c. Students are not permitted to construct and/or utilize stages, beer pong / beer dice / water pong / drinking game tables of any kind, platforms, or any other homemade furniture.

1.9 Drugs and Paraphernalia
The use, possession, sale, or distribution of paraphernalia, narcotics, or illegal drugs is prohibited on the campus and in the residence halls. The unauthorized use of, possession, sale, or distribution of drugs sometimes prescribed for medical purposes (e.g., antidepressants, amphetamines, barbiturates, study drugs and tranquilizers) are also prohibited. Pipes, bongs, hookahs, and related paraphernalia are not permitted. Residential staff reserves the right to confiscate such items, regardless of their decorative purpose.

1.10 Electrical Appliances
To ensure maximum health and safety standards in all residential buildings, several categories of electrical appliances have been established. Items not permitted or hazardous appliances will be confiscated if found within any residential facility.

- **Permitted items include but are not limited to:** (all items must be Underwriters Laboratories (UL), or Electronic Testing Laboratories (ETL) approved):
  - air purifiers
  - blenders
• coffee makers (must be equipped with an automatic shut off feature)
• clocks
• electric razors
• fans
• hair dryers
• hot air popcorn poppers
• hot pot/electric tea pots
• Irons (steam)
• microfridge
• musical instruments
• power strips - UL or ETL approved.
• rice cookers
• televisions

• **Prohibited items include but are not limited to:** (may not be used or stored in traditional or suite-style residence halls).
  • Air fryers
  • convection ovens
  • crockpots
  • electric blankets
  • electric skillets
  • extension cords
  • George Foreman Grills (or similar devices)
  • halogen lamps
  • hamburger makers
  • hot plates
  • Instant pots
  • freestanding microwaves
  • plug-in air fresheners
  • space heaters
  • Stove top espresso and coffee makers/percolators
  • toasters
  • toaster ovens
  • waffle or crepe pans
  • waterbeds

1.11 Firearms and Weapons
The possession and/or use of any firearms and weapons, including but not limited to pellet guns, paint ball guns, airsoft guns, BB guns, stun guns, taser guns, switchblades, gravity knives, clubs, blackjacks, target rifles, fireworks, explosives, Nunchaku, brass knuckles, ice picks and other items that are dangerous are prohibited. Students who own firearms must arrange to store them off campus. Items of this nature will be confiscated.

1.12 Fire Safety
Fire alarms, suppression systems, and other safety equipment are located throughout all residential buildings. Residential staff review evacuation procedures during initial floor/community meetings. These evacuation routes may also be found in hallways/corridors within the residential facility. Residents must
leave the buildings when alarms are activated and should be familiar with multiple egress means if the most convenient or traveled path is not available.

Residents should report inoperable or tampered-with fire safety equipment immediately to their residential staff. Disciplinary action, which may include termination of the Housing Agreement and/or suspension from the University, will result for residents responsible for starting a fire in or near any residential facility, or tampering with fire alarm and smoke detector equipment.

Residents should not tamper with the building sprinkler system and should take special precautions to avoid accidentally activating the sprinkler system. As previously mentioned, sprinkler heads should not be used to hang items in the room. Students may be held liable for damage that occurs because of sprinkler activation.

1.12.1 Flammable Materials, including but not limited to:
- candles and incense
- gasoline
- grill briquettes (charcoal)
- kerosene
- lighter fluid
- paint - oil-based
- paint thinner
- propane
- Tiki torches

are not allowed in any residential building. If students have questions about whether an item is allowed, please contact the residential staff. Emory strongly encourages any furniture a student provides to be fire-retardant. Contact the Housing Operations Office (404.727.7631) if you are unsure whether an item or appliance is permitted.

1.13 Furniture
University equipment, furniture, or furnishing may not be disassembled or removed from the assigned space/room. Students will be charged for replacement or repair costs. Furniture and furnishings are to be used only for their intended purpose and may not be placed outside of the residential buildings.

1.14 Grills/Outdoor Grilling
Residents may grill only on external grills installed on campus by the University. Grilling is not allowed in any other location. Portable gas or charcoal grills will be confiscated. Please be respectful of nearby residents when using the grills.

1.5 Keys/Locks
Keys should always be carried with you and never loaned or duplicated. Additional locks may not be installed, nor may residents tamper with existing locks. Residents are issued one room/apartment key for their residence. In buildings equipped with proximity access readers, residents should use their Emory card to gain access to the building.

Keys and temporary access cards are property of the University and must be returned to the Housing Operations office upon termination of residency. If a key is lost or not returned, the locks to that room will be changed and a lock change fee will be assessed. Replacement cost varies by building.

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1.15.1 Access/Room Entry
While the Offices of Residence Life, Sorority and Fraternity Life, and Housing Operations make every reasonable attempt to respect students' privacy, we reserve the right to enter any space and, if deemed necessary, to search the room. Typically, staff will limit room entry to the following instances.

a. **Health and Safety Inspections** - to maintain the residential facilities health and safety inspections are conducted to ensure a clean and safe environment, and that no policy violations occur.

b. **Administrative Searches** - Administrative searches are conducted because of suspicion that a university policy or regulation has been violated and that evidence of a violation will be found in a particular place. Authorization is given by the Senior Director of Housing Operations (or designee) or the Senior Director of Residence, Sorority and Fraternity Life (or designee). The student whose room/belongings are in question shall be present whenever possible; however, administrative searches may take place without a room's occupant(s) being present. At the end of a search, the student will be notified of the outcome and names and titles of all people conducting it. Administrative searches are not done under the direction of, nor on behalf of, the Emory University Police. Administrative searches are not conducted for criminal prosecution. If it is believed that potential criminal violations exist, either before or during a search, the Emory University Police will be contacted, and a criminal search warrant may be obtained.

c. **Facility Work** - to provide routine, emergency, or preventative custodial and/or maintenance work.

d. **Personal Emergencies** - to respond to an indication of danger to life, health, or property.

e. **Policy Violation** - to respond when there is reasonable cause to believe that a violation of Housing or University policy is occurring.

1.15.2 Lock-Out Policy
There will be a fee assessed for each lock-out. Contact information for assistance with lockouts is posted in each residential building.

**Atlanta Campus** residents should contact the residential staff available in their building. The Resident Advisor (RA) on-call is available between 5:00pm – 8:00am on weekdays and 8:00am-8:00am on weekends and can be contacted via the posted on-call phone number. Assistance is also provided at the Raoul service center between 8:00am – 5:00pm on regular business days.

**Clairmont Campus** residents should go to the Clairmont Campus Service Center in Clairmont Tower between 9:00am – 6:00pm (Monday – Friday) and 12:00pm – 5:00pm (Saturday and Sunday) or call the posted on-call phone number between 5:00pm – 8:00am on weekdays and 8:00am-8:00am on weekends.

**Eagle Row** residents should first contact their Graduate House Director (GHD). The area GHD on-call is available between 5:00pm – 8:00am and can be contacted on the on-call phone. Assistance is also provided by the service desk in the Housing Office in Raoul Hall from 8:00am – 5:00pm on regular business days.

A Residence Life staff member will request identification from the resident to confirm that the individual is gaining access to their assigned room. After entering the room, the staff member will request that the resident show their room key to ensure the key is not lost.

1.16 Laundry Facilities
Washers and dryers are located throughout each residential community. Only residents of the community may use the laundry services in the buildings. There is no additional cost to use the machines. Instructions for the use of the machines are posted in each laundry room. The university does not assume any liability for damage to, loss of or theft of personal property. Report damage or repair issues with the laundry.
machines to the vendor. Vendor information is posted in each laundry room.

**1.17 Leasing and Renting**
Residents of university residential buildings are not permitted to sublease, rent, or share their residence with any person that is not on the residential housing agreement as assigned by the University. Posting the residence for rent anywhere in print or electronically, such as on Airbnb, is not permitted.

**1.18 Motorized Vehicles**
Vehicles with electric motors or combustion engines, including but not limited to motorcycles, scooters, skateboards, hoverboards or similar devices, may not be stored in or around the residence halls and apartments. Motorcycles and scooters should be parked in their designated parking spaces and registered with the Office of Transportation and Parking Services. Only electric motorized accessibility devices/equipment approved by UL (Underwriters Laboratories) or the CPSC (Consumer Product Safety Commission) can be stored in the residence halls.

**1.19 Painting on Campus**
Residents are not allowed to paint residence hall rooms or common areas. This includes painting windows, door, walls etc. Painting items should never be done in the residence halls and should be contained to outdoor grassy areas, with the surrounding areas adequately protected with drop cloths that extend at least three feet around the painted object.

Window painting for events is permitted on exterior windows to a shared space on the first floor of a residence hall following approval from your building supervisor/complex director. Chapters residing in the sorority lodges can paint the common area exterior window to promote their organization or chapter spirit.

**1.20 Pets**
Due to health and safety concerns pets are not allowed in any residential facility. Fish is permitted with the mutual consent of roommates. The maximum capacity allowed for a fish tank is two (2) gallons. Students seeking to bring a service or assistance animal to the residence hall must register with the Department of Accessibility Services and receive written authorization for the animal to be in the residential buildings prior to bringing the animal to campus.

**1.21 Posting Policy**
Banners and other posted materials may not be displayed on the residence halls' exterior. Posting is not permitted on external facing room doors, elevators, glass surfaces, or painted surfaces. Posted materials may not cover permanent signage. Posting in designated locations does not constitute review or endorsement of the content. University staff may immediately remove any banners or other posted materials that violate the posting policy.

There are three primary streams of posting requests to share information about resources, programs, and events with on-campus residents. Approval and distribution processes are as follows:

1. **Building-specific programs and activities: print and/or electronic distribution upon request to the building supervisor**
   a. Student residents of a particular residence hall may request approval of digital and/or print distribution of program information to residents of their hall. These may include building- or floor-specific events and activities, other items of interest to residents of the hall, or messages that foster community-building and connection among residents of that building.
b. Student staff bulletin boards are not subject to this posting policy; they are guided by residential education expectations of student staff, to use their boards for information and community-building purposes on their floors.

c. The building supervisor has discretion in approval and guidance as to community posting locations and formats.

d. Posting is not permitted on doors, windows, elevators, glass, or painted surfaces and may not cover permanent signage or other current posting.

e. Print posters shall be hung with blue tape or push pins on cork boards only; no clear tape, masking tape, or duct tape is permitted.

f. Physical postings will be removed when the event or activity has ended

2. Emory student organization programs and events: digital distribution only, through weekly building e-newsletters

a. Requests for distribution should be made to reshallpostings@emory.edu, with a .png or .jpg file of the digital flyer.

b. Requests should be submitted at least ten days in advance of the program to ensure that flyers are distributed in time, since building newsletters go out on various days of the week.

c. Flyers will be approved for posting if the organization is a registered Emory student organization and the information on the flyer is clear and complete. (Who, what, where, when, how to register or get more information). Abbreviated URL’s or QR codes can be helpful since there will be no live links in the distributed flyer.

d. Flyers will not be approved for posting for student election campaigns, or for off-campus (non-Emory) organizations or programs.

e. Requests may specify certain class years or buildings or for distribution to all residence halls.


3. Emory University departmental programs and initiatives: digital distribution only, through weekly building e-newsletters

a. Requests for distribution should be made to reshallpostings@emory.edu with a .png or .jpg file of the digital flyer.

b. Requests should be submitted at least ten days in advance of the program to ensure that flyers are distributed in time, since building newsletters go out on various days of the week.

c. Flyers will be approved for posting if the information on the flyer is clear and complete. (Who, what, where, when, how to register or get more information). Abbreviated URL’s or QR codes can be helpful since there will be no live links in the distributed flyer.

d. Requests may specify certain class years or halls or for distribution to all residence halls.

e. Review of flyers is content-neutral, in accordance with Emory’s Open Expression policy: https://emory.ellucid.com/documents/view/19648?security=c6f36f9de43a2cd25fc99614d09384f649a313cf.

1.22 Quiet Hours and Courtesy Hours
To provide an environment conducive to sleeping and studying, quiet hours will be maintained Sunday to Thursday from midnight till 8:00 am, and Friday and Saturday 1:00 am till 8:00 am. These times will be extended during final exam periods. All residents are required to respect their neighbors by maintaining 24-hour courtesy hours.

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1.23 Refrigerators
One refrigerator or one mircrofridge, not to exceed three (3) cubic feet in size (UL approved), is permitted per room. The refrigerator may be a rental unit, or a unit owned by the student. Returning the rental refrigerator is the sole responsibility of the resident.

1.24 Renters' Insurance
The University is not responsible for damage, loss, or theft of property in any residential facility, or for personal injury. Students are expected to obtain renter’s insurance to cover such losses. For college renter’s insurance information check out https://gradguard.com/renters/emory.

1.25 Residential Meeting Spaces
Emory University permits academic departments, administrative departments, and SGA-chartered student organizations to reserve certain spaces in the residential buildings during the academic year.

1.26 Safety and Security
Students are expected to take an active role in maintaining safety and security on campus. Failure to do so jeopardizes the safety of everyone concerned. Therefore, the following practices must be observed.

a. Only designated entrance/exit doors are to be used.
b. Doors are to be returned to a secured (locked) position after entering or exiting.
c. Windows and doors should always be locked when students leave their rooms or when they are asleep.
d. Students should always carry their Emory Card and keys and report lost keys and Emory card immediately.
e. University-owned keys are never to be loaned out or duplicated.
f. Do not let unknown people into the building, enter the building behind you, (tailgating) or prop doors at any time.
g. Objects may not be dropped or thrown from windows, nor may screens or windows be removed.
h. Students are not allowed on roofs, banisters, or any other structure not designed for ordinary traffic.
i. Report anyone or any situation that appears suspicious to Emory Police immediately.
j. Always use caution when traveling on or around campus, especially after dark.
k. Emory provides SafeRide- a free, on-demand service for students from 9:00PM-5:00AM. Request a ride by using the Transloc Rider app, online at ondemand.transloc.com or by calling 404.727.7555.

1.27 Smoking/Tobacco Use/Vaping
Emory University is a tobacco-free campus. The use or sale of tobacco products including e-cigarettes and vaping of tobacco and non-tobacco products is prohibited in all residential and campus buildings. For more information, please refer to Tobacco Free Environment.

1.28 Sports
Sports and related activities, such as the use of roller blades, roller shoes, skateboards, hoverboards, wheel boards, etc., are to be conducted outside the residential buildings.

1.29 Stairways, Hallways, and Breezeways
For fire safety and security reasons, stairways and shared hallways must be kept free of combustible items and all other objects that would contribute to the intensity of a fire or prevent free and clear access to egress. This includes plants, boxes, bicycles, shelves, and other items. Do not use stairwells or hallways as storage of any kind.
1.30 Storage
Personal storage space is not available in any residential facility and the university does not provide storage during the break periods or while studying abroad. Students may contact Storage Squad or any local storage company. Storage pods are not permitted.

1.31 Theft/Loss
Emory University does not assume any responsibility for student’s belongings that are damaged, lost or stolen. Students need to take precautions to ensure that theft does not occur. The University does not assume responsibility for individual property stored in, delivered, or shipped to a residence hall. Report any theft or loss to the Emory Police and your residential building staff.

1.32 Trash and Recycling
Trash that is improperly disposed of is a nuisance for other residents and custodial staff. All trash and recycling materials should be disposed of in properly marked containers. Note that all materials can be recycled or composted except for Styrofoam. Residents should dispose of their trash and recycle regularly to avoid creating health hazards. Bulky items (such as pizza boxes, cardboard boxes, rugs, or other heavy/bulky items) should be moved to the exterior dumpsters located near each residence hall.

1.33 Vacant Space
Any resident who occupies a room with a vacancy must be prepared to receive a roommate at any time during the academic year. Spreading out to the vacant space or inappropriate use of the vacant space will be addressed by the Residence Life staff. Any attempt to maintain or create a vacancy in a room or apartment by discouraging new residents from moving in or encouraging current residents to move out will not be tolerated. Such behaviors will be addressed by staff and/or student conduct. Residence Life and Housing Operations staff reserve the right to assign residents to any unassigned bed/room at any time.

1.34 Vacating Residence Halls
Residents must vacate their residence hall room according to the posted schedule; it is expected that students vacate no later than 24 hours after their last final exam or by the posted time for residence hall closures in the Emory University Calendar. Residents who do not check out by the posted date and time will be assessed a $300 administrative fee.

1.35 Vandalism and Pranks
Residents should take proper care of their building and its furnishings. Vandalism will not be tolerated. Examples include, but are not limited to, broken furniture or windows, torn bulletin boards, shared areas with an abundance of trash, etc. Students witnessing acts of vandalism or who know the identity of the responsible person(s) should notify a Residence Life staff member immediately. The University reserves the right to assess residents collectively or individually for damage to their building or its furnishings. Pranks that result in disturbances or distress to others, or cause damage to university or personal property (or those that foreseeable could have caused such disturbance or distress) are not permitted. Examples include water fights, shaving cream fights, penny locking, removal of peepholes, social media challenges, etc.

1.36 Vendors
Individuals or groups who wish to sell tickets or goods must receive prior approval from the Office of Residence, Sorority and Fraternity Life. Approved solicitation is usually limited to an area in the lobby of the residential building and requires a written notice verifying permission from the Office of Residence, Sorority and Fraternity Life. No commercial or general business activities may be conducted on the premises. Students and student groups are not exempt from this policy. If you encounter people soliciting in your hall, please report them to a staff member or the Emory Police immediately. The Office of Residence, Sorority,
and Fraternity Life reserves the right to approve or deny any collection boxes for philanthropic activities. Unapproved boxes will be removed, and their contents will be discarded/donated.

1.37 Visitation
Guests must abide by the rules and regulations of the University. Residents are responsible for the conduct of their guests. Visitation refers to the privilege of having one or more guest(s) in a resident’s room and/or residential area. The rights of other residents, especially a resident’s roommate, take precedence over this privilege. Guests are not allowed to live in rooms not assigned to them. Students must exercise good judgment when having a gathering in their room so as not to disrupt the community.

A guest is defined as any person not assigned to live in the room and/or residential area, whether they are residential students, commuting students, or other guests. Each residential area has a standard 24-hour visitation policy, meaning that with roommate consent, a resident may have other people in their room at any time. Long-term guests (three nights or longer) are prohibited.