

FSU Staff_Heather: Hello everyone! Welcome to our first chat of the semester! We'll be talking about University Housing and move-in in this chat. We'll get started in just a few minutes.

Kris K (Kris) joined the chat 6 days ago

April joined the chat 6 days ago

Cynthia entered for the first time 6 days ago

Lynne entered for the first time 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Alison entered for the first time 6 days ago

Katelynn entered for the first time 6 days ago

Darla joined the chat 6 days ago

KW entered for the first time 6 days ago

goldilocks joined the chat 6 days ago

Daniel entered for the first time 6 days ago

FSU Staff_Heather: Hello everyone! Welcome to our first FSU Chat of the semester. Today, we have University Housing here with us to answer any questions you have about on-campus housing and move-in. If you have other questions about the first few weeks of school, let us know and we'll try to answer those too! Throughout the chat, I will be sharing some move-in/housing tips to help you have a great experience with your student. I'll let our representatives from University Housing introduce themselves.

NSFP Staff_Brandon joined the chat 6 days ago

Diana joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Alison: @Lisa we recommend waiting until your student moves into their room to purchase rugs/carpets for the room

Darla1 (Darla) joined the chat 6 days ago

Jennifer joined the chat 6 days ago

sinnamon entered for the first time 6 days ago

Kristy entered for the first time 6 days ago

Sue joined the chat 6 days ago

Cynthia: Where can we find my sons Ubox#?

Natalie entered for the first time 6 days ago

JanetBcbmom: Do we have to buy new rugs?

AMR entered for the first time 6 days ago

Sue: my son will be in Gilchrist, does he need to buy a shower curtain or are they provided?

goldilocks: Does the students need a fan, heater, and air purifiers?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Cynthia You can get your Ubox# from the UPS Store on campus.

Housing Staff_Alison: @Janet the rooms do not come carpeted so you would need to purchase a rug or carpet for the floor

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Sue Your son will need to buy a shower curtain and hooks

Dave joined the chat 6 days ago

Kathy (kathy) joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Ashley: @goldilocks All halls have air conditioning and heat, but you are welcome to bring those items if you wish.

Lisa: When do they find out information regarding parking if they have a car?

Orlando Mom joined the chat 6 days ago

AMR: Is the temperature in the room adjustable in the room or are all the rooms kept at the same temperature

Natalie: my daughter moved in Sunday, where can we park?

Sue: how much lighting is in the room, ie. is there just an overhead light? would you recommend just a desk light or also a floor lamp?

Housing Staff Alison: @Lisa I will provide the link for parking and transportation. They can help answer your questions about parking. <https://transportation.fsu.edu/parking>

Darla1: Do parents need a visitor pass to park on campus during the day and overnight? If so how do we get them?

Orlando Mom: Will we be able to use other doors besides the front entrance for move in? Dorman in particular

Housing Staff Ashley: @AMR The temperature cannot be adjusted in each room.

Orlando Mom: How does the trash situation work and are any waste baskets provided?

Afrancischiello entered for the first time 6 days ago

Darla2 (Darla1) joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff Ashley: @Sue We recommend bringing a lamp for the room

Housing Staff Alison: @Natalie you can park outside of the residence hall when you get there to check-in and move in all of the belongings. But you may need to move your car once you are finished. The students working at the reception desk could give you more information on where to park

Housing Staff Ashley: @Darla1 During move-in, parking permits are lifted until 8/26.

goldilocks: I understand about the halls being heated and air-conditioned, but my question was more about if they needed all three of the small appliance (fan, heater, air purifier)?

FSU Staff Heather: Tip #1: Good items to bring include extra-long sheets, pillows and pillowcases, towels, and blankets.

Housing Staff Ashley: @goldilocks They do not need those small appliances.

Housing Staff Alison: @Orlando_Mom yes once your student will have access to all the doors to get into the building. We also provide a garbage can and recycling bin in each room. There is also a trash room in each hall to dispose of the garbage

goldilocks: ty

Orlando Mom: TY

Daniel: For summer move in the garage at the corner of Call and Copeland was used for parent parking. Will that be the same for Fall?

Orlando Mom: In a handicapped accessible room, are their tension rods on the closet doors, since no actual doors?

Orlando Mom: Closet openings, I should say

goldilocks: Do the dorm rooms get cleaned professionally during the semester?

Housing Staff Alison: @Daniel parents can park in any garage during Fall move-in time until August 26

Lynne: Do windows on first floor of dorm open?

Kris K joined the chat 6 days ago

Daniel: Even better, the Pensacola garage is closer to Dorman.

Cynthia: Where is best place to park to unload for Deviney? And then best place to park after unloading?

Housing Staff Ashley: @goldilocks The rooms do not get cleaned, but the bathrooms are cleaned at least once per semester to check for larger issues. Students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms and bathrooms regularly.

Kmom (Kris K) joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff Alison: @Orlando_Mom all of our accessible rooms vary by what they include, we recommend waiting until your student moves in to see what the closet will look like

Orlando Mom: ty

FSU Staff_Heather: Tip #2: Move-in day can be a great opportunity to meet new people! It doesn't hurt to strike up a conversation with other people moving into the hall – they could be a great new friend!

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Cynthia Check out the move-in maps on our website for move-in maps <http://staging.housing.fsu.edu/future-re...>

Housing Staff_Ashley: <https://housing.fsu.edu/future-residents...>

Housing Staff_Alison: @Lynne we believe they can open but we recommend waiting to see that when you get there

Sue: do you use card swipes for laundry or do you need to have coins

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Sue You will use your FSU ID swipe card for laundry

Dave: Deviney will have an assigned area for parking in the back so you can use the elevator. There are great volunteers to help as well.

Lisa: How can parents add money to their FSU ID?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Dave Areas around Deviney are used for unloading only not parking during move in.

Darla2: Are there paper towels and dish soap in the kitchens?

Housing Staff_Alison: @Lisa you may load money by following this link: <https://fsucard.fsu.edu/fsucash>

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Darla2 Students need to provide their own paper towels and soap

Darla2: TY

Tara entered for the first time 6 days ago

CMP (Cynthia) joined the chat 6 days ago

Sue: do students need to purchase their own toilet paper

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Sue Toilet paper is available for students at the front desk of their hall.

Daniel: Are there any activities scheduled for students between move in day and the first day of classes?

FSU Staff_Heather: Tip #3: Thinking about shipping items for the residence hall prior to move-in? Contact the UPS Store for more information about how to arrange the delivery of packages before move-in at 850-561-9180 or their website <https://tallahassee-fl-6133.theupsstorel...>

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Daniel There will be lots of fun activities! <https://ssweek.fsu.edu/>

New FSU Dad entered for the first time 6 days ago

BAC entered for the first time 6 days ago

Jennifer: What is the best time of day (least crowded) to move-in to the dorm? Do we have to be finished by a certain time?

goldilocks: Would you recommend shower shoes? Should the boys bring a shower caddy if they are in a 2 boys shared suite with w boys?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @goldilocks Yes, we recommend shower shoes and a shower caddy.

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jennifer the halls open at 8am and there may be many students moving in at that time. The afternoon will also be hot/humid and crowded as well. So if you want to avoid the crowd and unpack in cooler temperatures, you may want to consider moving in in the evening. The halls will be staffed 24hrs a day after they open on the 22nd

FSU Staff_Heather: FAQ #1: What is a Resident Assistant (RA) and how can they help students living in the residence halls?

Kristy: R the dorms professionally cleaned from summer move out to fall

Housing Staff_Ashley: Resident Assistants (RAs) are paraprofessionals who live and work in the residence halls. They work with Residence Coordinators/Hall Directors/Assistant Coordinators and other University Housing staff members to develop programs and provide services for students.

Housing Staff_Alison: @Kristy yes after students move out for the Summer term our facilities staff goes in and cleans the rooms so they are ready for students moving in for Fall

BAC: pros and cons of having the bed near the window vs the door? my son is in a double with private bath in magnolia. thanks!

Housing Staff_Ashley: RAs are carefully selected for their academic proficiency, extracurricular involvement, concern for the welfare of fellow students, and ability to cope with the demands of their role. They are trained to be sensitive to the academic, emotional, and social challenges facing college students, particularly those involved with the normal adjustments to residence hall living.

Mom joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Alison: @BAC the configuration of the beds are up to the students' preference. They may rearrange the beds however they like

FSU Staff_Heather: Thanks @Housing Staff_Ashley they sound like a great resource!

Jenn joined the chat 6 days ago

Diana: Is there a formal process for roommates and suitemates to agree as to a cleaning schedule, quiet times, etc? What is that process and when does it happen?

Lynne left the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Diana Students will work with their RA to complete a roommate agreement at the beginning of the semester where they can discuss these topics.

NSFP Staff_Brandon: Feel free to keep asking any questions that come to mind! We will have some Frequently Asked Questions with responses from the Housing Staff to go through some things you might not think to ask.

Diana: Thank you... is that a mandatory process or voluntary?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Diana All students are required to complete a roommate agreement.

Diana: Thanks

goldilocks: Are there activities for the students in each of their dorms to get acquainted?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @goldilocks Each RA will plan fun events for their halls. There is also Seminole Sensation Week with lots of activities before classes begin <https://ssweek.fsu.edu/>

Lisa: Are students required to leave and/or take belongings with them during winter break and spring break?

goldilocks joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Alison: @Lisa suite style halls close for Winter break and Spring break so students will not have access to their room during that time. They should bring anything home with them that they may need during the break

Jennifer: Is there a shelf in the closet at Landis? If so, how much space is there on the shelf for storage boxes or baskets?

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jennifer we recommend waiting to see what the shelves in the closet look like when the student moves in to determine what storage boxes to bring

FSU Staff_Heather: FAQ #2: What are some common items students bring that not permitted in the residence halls?

Jenn joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Ashley: Check out our website for lists of what to bring and what not to bring: <https://housing.fsu.edu/future-residents...>

Sue: do the bedroom doors automatically lock when closed, or do you have to lock them when you leave

FSU Staff_Heather: Tip #4: If your student is planning to bring a bike, also invest in a strong lock or chain to secure the bike to the bicycle pads outside the residence hall. Also, do not forget to register it with FSUPD!

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Sue You need to lock the doors when you leave.

goldilocks: Are there restrictions (access) to dorm rooms during short holidays. I heard Landis Hall is closed while others are still open.

Jenn joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Ashley: @goldilocks Our suite style halls close for winter break and spring break.

Sue: i have an FSU item list from BB&B and it suggests buying a double closet rod. Do the closets have a rod already?

Kathy: What are the dimensions/size of the closets in Wildwood?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Sue The closets have a rod in them.

Jenn: Would you suggest a small safe or something like it for wallet or credit cards that don't want to get with her everywhere?

Housing Staff_Alison: @Kathy we do not have exact dimensions of the closets

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Jenn One of the drawers in each desk is capable of locking, but you are welcome to bring a small safe for other items.

Mom: So the bathroom showers come with a rod?

Housing Staff_Alison: @Mom the showers come with a rod but students will need to bring their own curtains and curtain hooks

Jenn joined the chat 6 days ago

FSU Staff_Heather: Tip #5 Don't forget the cleaning supplies! The bathrooms in suite style residence halls are cleaned prior to opening but be sure to stock up on Clorox wipes to ensure they stay clean all semester long!

Jenn: Do most students use bed lifts? Any pros or cons? As a standard How far are the beds from floor

Jennifer: Is there a shelf or area in the bathroom where they can keep their cleaning supplies? Do you also recommend a Swiffer mop?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Jennifer There are cabinets under the sink in their room where they can keep cleaning supplies. A Swiffer mop could definitely be useful!

Jenn joined the chat 6 days ago

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jenn students can bring the plastic bed risers which will give about 4 extra inches of height. The beds can also be adjusted to be raised about 30 inches

Afrancischiello: Do we need to bring bed risers?

Jennifer: Thanks. Are they allowed to put a toilet bowl cleaner tablet in their toilet to help keep the toilet bowl clean?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Afrancischiello We do not provide bed risers, but we can raise beds higher for you.

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jennifer yes students can use that for their toilet \

Kathy: So the hall kitchens in Wildwood have a stove, oven and/or pots and pans?

Kathy: *Do

Housing Staff_Alison: @Kathy students can rent kitchen supplies at the front desk of the hall, but they are welcome to bring their own as well

goldilocks: How many kitchens on each floor in Landis or any of the dorms?

Jenn: Kathy my daughter is moving into Wildwood

Housing Staff_Ashley: @goldilocks In Landis there is one kitchen per floor.

Kathy: How about ice? Is there any available?

Housing Staff_Alison: @Kathy students can bring their own ice tray to make ice

Jenn: Any specifics that pertain specifically to each dorm?

Afrancischiello: Do the chest of drawers fit under the raised bed? I'm in Azalea. Thx

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jenn what specifics are you looking for?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @afrancischiello Yes, the drawers fit under the raised bed.

Lisa: Do the refrigerators in McPhee hall have small freezers as well?

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Lisa In Jennie Murphree, each room has a small fridge with a freezer compartment in it.

CMP: Can we/parent raise the bed at move in or is that something FSU staff has to do?

Lisa: Great, thanks for all your help

Housing Staff_Ashley: @CMP Our facilities staff will need to raise the bed for you.

Jenn: Anything that may be different for residents at various dorms?

FSU Staff_Heather: Feel free to ask your final questions, we will wrap up the chat shortly.

Jenn: Can my daughter move in with her roommate aug 18 though she isn't rushing?

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jenn in general, all housing policies are the same. But each building offers a unique community for its residents

Kathy: Do the little fridges in the room have a little freezer too, or just freezer down hall in kitchen?

Jenn: Any limitations on what can be hung on walls?

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jenn if your daughter is not rushing she can only move in on August 22 @ 8am

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Kathy The fridge in the room has a small freezer compartment in it.

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jenn you cannot put any holes in the walls

Jenn: This was awesome 😊

goldilocks: When a parent comes to visit, where do they go to get a parking permit? (not including move-in times)

Jenn: I appreciate your time

Sue: This chat session was very helpful, thank you!

FSU Staff_Heather: Glad you were able to get your questions answered!

Housing Staff_Ashley: @goldilocks You should reach out to transportation for more information about parking permits <https://transportation.fsu.edu/parking/p...>

goldilocks: ty

Lisa: Thank you

BAC: I thought the beds were already raised?

BAC: my son is in magnolia

Housing Staff_Ashley: @BAC Most of them already are because of the previous resident.

FSU Staff_Heather: If there are no more questions, Ill go ahead and wrap up the chat

Lisa left the chat 6 days ago

Jenn: Can we hang Curtains with command hooks? I assume most things are hung using them?

Housing Staff_Alison: @Jenn yes you can use command hooks

Mom: Do we need to put in a request to have the bed risen to the highest level just in case they are not previously risen from before

Housing Staff_Ashley: @Mom You can just go talk to the front desk or facilities supervisor when you arrive on campus.

Peyton S entered for the first time 6 days ago

FSU Staff_Heather

Alright everyone--thank you all for attending! And a special thank you to our colleagues in University Housing! We appreciate you! If you have anymore questions you can visit Housing's website <https://housing.fsu.edu/> or call them at 850-644-2860

FSU Staff_Heather

Make sure to join us September 4 for our next FSU Chat focusing on Getting

Involved/Student Activities! You can find more info at <https://www.facebook.com/events/19269030...>