

2014-15

HOUSING REAPPLICATION

Residence Life & Student Housing

Undergraduate Resident Sign-Up

WHERE WILL YOU LIVE NEXT YEAR?

Whether you are a rising sophomore or a soon to be junior or senior, you will need a place to live next year. Consider living on-campus again! The 2014-15 academic year is bringing lots of changes to housing at SMU, including changes to the process to reapply for housing. The “housing lottery” is a thing of the past and we have more space for returning students. Here are the basics of what you need to know about housing for next year.

First, the transition to the Residential Commons brings changes to the designation for existing residence halls (see page 3). In addition, the University policy for first-year students to live on-campus their first two years at SMU will apply to the class of 2016 and beyond.

Second, students who reapply will complete the process online (February 10-28) by completing the Housing License Agreement and indicating preferences for Residential Commons or Upperclass housing options. Students will be notified on March 3 whether they will be selecting a room in Residential Commons or Upperclass housing. We do expect to be able to accommodate all current residents who go through reapplication. Students who miss reapplication may be waitlisted for housing.

Third, students who are approved for Residential Commons housing will attend the RC Selection Event at their designated time on March 24 & 25 to pick one of the 11 Residential Commons as their new home. Roommates should attend together and may come at the earliest time between the roommates.

And finally, Room Selection takes place online from March 27-April 4, and students will select a room within their RC. Students who are approved for Upperclass housing will also participate in online room selection March 27-April 4, selecting rooms from the available Upperclass residence halls/houses.



DATES TO KNOW

February 10-28	Reapplication for Current Residents (online)
March 3 (Noon)	Notification Email for Room Selection
March 24 & 25	RC Selection Event
March 27-April 4	Room Selection
April 2 & 3	Graduate Student Sign up
April 3	Selection for Martin Hall
June 1	Deadline To Cancel Without Penalty



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FACTS ABOUT SIGN-UP

1. Reapplication is online and begin February 10-28.
2. Current residents who reapply will have housing for 2014-15.
3. Rising sophomores are required to live on-campus their second year at SMU per University policy.
4. There are 11 Residential Commons and 6 Upperclass halls/houses for 2014-15 (see list on next page)
5. When reapplying, you can request to be in an assignment group for Residential Commons, Upperclass or “any available” housing, and one preferred building.
6. RLSH will use building preferences to determine supply and demand for 2014-15. About 50% of each RC will be available for returning students.
7. On March 3 (after 12 Noon) residents will be notified of their assignment group (Residential Commons or Upperclass Housing) along with information about the selection process for each.
8. Residents in the Residential Commons group will participate in the RC Selection Event at McFarlin Auditorium on March 24 & 25. Appointment times are set for each student, but roommates may come together at the earliest time between them. Not able to attend? Ask at the RLSH office about having a friend be your “proxy” instead.
9. Room selection is online March 27-April 4 for students living in Residential Commons and Upperclass Housing. Residents will select from available rooms in their RC or in Upperclass halls respectively.
10. For room selection, roommates can be assigned together to a double room by one person “pulling” in their roommate using that roommate’s Roommate Code. Pulling a roommate from a different RC is not possible. Pulling suitemates, regardless of RC, is also not possible.
11. Students who are going abroad for the Fall 2014 semester can apply for Spring 2015 at the RLSH central office before leaving in May.

RETURNING RESIDENT HOUSING OPTIONS FOR 2014-15

With the change to the new Residential Commons model at SMU, several current and new residential facilities will be four-class RCs, and others will be designated for Upperclass (sophomore, junior, and senior students.) Current residents will be able to preference housing when reapplying February 10-28.

Residential Commons Housing

Academic Year Rent: Double \$9,670; Single \$12,050

- ✧ Armstrong Commons
- ✧ Boaz Commons
- ✧ Cockrell-McIntosh Commons
- ✧ Loyd Commons
- ✧ Mary Hay/Peyton/Shuttles Commons
- ✧ McElvaney Commons
- ✧ Morrison-McGinnis Commons
- ✧ ResCommons 1
- ✧ ResCommons 3
- ✧ ResCommons 4
- ✧ Virginia-Snider Commons

SMU Service House

For students interested in making service learning a part of their University experience, the Service House is an ideal choice. The house is a close-knit community with an active House Council, house dinners, and a variety of service opportunities. Residents must apply, interview, and sign the Service House Agreement in addition to the housing application and license agreement. For more information, contact House Director Erica Zamora at 214-768-6498.

SMU Apartments

SMU has a limited number of apartments adjacent to campus for upperclass and graduate students. Applications for the SMU Apartments are separate from the reapplication process. Apartment applications will be available on April 9 in the RLSH Office from 9:00 a.m.-Noon and 1:00-4:30 p.m.

All roommates must be affiliated with SMU. Priority for the apartments is given to juniors, seniors and graduate students.

Apartment rent is paid monthly to RLSH and ranges from approximately \$995 to \$1,250 with electric utilities included.

Upperclass Housing

- 🔒 Moore Hall (apartment style) Double \$9,390
- 🔒 Daniel House (apartment style) Single \$9,760
- 🔒 Smith Hall - Double \$7,190; Single \$8,920
- 🔒 Perkins Hall - Double \$7,190; Single \$8,920
- 🔒 Service House (interview required) Double \$7,660
- 🔒 Martin Hall (seniors/graduates only) Single \$8,610



Fraternity & Sorority Housing

While University policy requires first-year students to live on-campus in a residence hall or Residential Commons for their first two years, policy also permits students to meet the second year of residency while living in their fraternity or sorority house. Each fraternity and sorority house at SMU manages their own housing occupancy, usually through a House Corporation. Members of each chapter should inquire with chapter leadership regarding expectations and requirements for living in the house.

Rising sophomores interested in this option must still reapply for housing with RLSH during the Reapplication process in order for this to occur.

REAPPLICATION: HOW DOES WORK?

The reapplication process is new this year because of the transition to the Residential Commons and the two year residency requirement. With this redesign of the process, this year's residents have some choices about where they live next year. And current residents who reapply February 10-28 will have housing for next year.

When reapplying, current residents will indicate their first preference for living in either Residential Commons or Upperclass housing and one residence hall or Residential Commons. RLSH is collecting this information to determine the supply/demand for all residential facilities. Note: Rising sophomores who have not filled their housing requirement and who have plans to live in their fraternity or sorority house must indicate this when reapplying.

IF YOU DON'T REAPPLY

Residents who do not reapply February 10-28 will not be eligible to participate in any room selection process and will be waitlisted for housing. Failure to reapply does not release a student from the housing requirement.

ASSIGNMENT GROUPS

When reapplication closes on February 28, RLSH will use the data to sort students into one of three assignment groups: 1) Residential Commons, 2) Upperclass Housing, 3) Approved for Other Housing.

Students will be notified on March 3 after 12 noon of their assignment group and instructions about the next step.



RESIDENTIAL COMMONS:

First: rising sophomores requesting RC housing
Second: rising juniors and seniors requesting RC housing
Third: any student who requested "any available"

UPPERCLASS HOUSING:

First: rising juniors and seniors requesting Upperclass housing.
Second: rising sophomores who requested Upperclass housing
Third: any student who requested "any available" housing

APPROVED FOR OTHER HOUSING (FRATERNITY/SORORITY)

Rising sophomores who request to fill the housing requirement living in their fraternity or sorority house will be notified on March 3.

HOW DOES ROOM SELECTION WORK?

The second step of housing signup is Room Selection which takes place March 27-April 4, regardless if you are selecting in a room in a Residential Commons or in Upperclass housing. You will be given a date and time to log in and will be able to see all rooms available for you to select, either in your RC or in the Upperclass residence halls. There are some restrictions on room availability, and not all rooms are available for selection. All rooms have a specific gender designation. Not all rooms will be available for selection as RLSH reserves some rooms for first-years, transfers, and ADA needs.

Roommates may select a room together by using the *Select with Roommate* option. One roommate logs in and enters the Roommate Code for their roommate which will then allow for assignment to a double room together.

Residents without a roommate may select one space in a room or an available single, if desired. Residents who pick a double room without a roommate may later be moved by RLSH within the same community in order to consolidate returning students and accommodate first-year student assignments.

How to...

REQUEST RESIDENTIAL COMMONS HOUSING

FEBRUARY 10-28 APPLICATION PROCESS

Reapply and e-sign the housing license agreement. Indicate your preferences for 1) Residential Commons housing, 2) your preferred RC, 3) roommate request.

MARCH 3 NOTIFICATION OF ASSIGNMENT STATUS

Check SMU email after 12 noon. Email will include:

- Appointment time to attend the RC Selection Event on March 24 or 25
- Date and time to log in for room selection

MARCH 24 & 25 RC SELECTION EVENT

Attend the RC Selection Event at McFarlin Auditorium at your appointment time. Roommates may attend at the earliest time between them. You will be able to select your RC at this event.

If you are not able to attend the RC Event, you may arrange for a “proxy” with RLSH prior to March 24.

MARCH 27-APRIL 4 ROOM SELECTION IN YOUR RC

1. Sign into the housing signup website.
2. If you have a roommate, click “*Select with Roommate*” and enter your roommate’s Roommate Code. You will be able to see available rooms in the RC for you and your roommate.
3. If you do not have a roommate, click “*Select a Room*” and you will see available spaces in the RC, including any available singles.



REQUEST UPPERCLASS HOUSING (INCLUDING DANIEL HOUSE & MOORE)

FEBRUARY 10-28 APPLICATION PROCESS

Reapply and e-sign the housing license agreement. Indicate your preferences for 1) Upperclass Housing, 2) your preferred residence hall, 3) roommate request

MARCH 3 NOTIFICATION OF ASSIGNMENT STATUS

Check SMU email for notification of your status after 12 Noon. Email will include

- Date and time to log in and select a room in the upperclass residence halls.

MARCH 27-APRIL 4 UPPERCLASS HOUSING SELECTION

1. Sign into the housing signup website.
2. If you have a roommate, click “*Select with Roommate*” and enter your roommate’s Roommate Code. You will be able to see available rooms in upperclass housing for you and your roommate.
3. If you do not have a roommate, click “*Select a Room*” and you will see available spaces including any available singles.



REQUEST MARTIN HALL (SENIORS ONLY)

This option is limited to seniors and graduate students. Availability is very limited. Placement into this assignment group will be random. Seniors will be placed into another assignment group (RC or Upperclass) after Martin is full.

FEBRUARY 10-28 REAPPLICATION PROCESS

Reapply and e-sign the housing license agreement. Indicate your preferences for 1) Upperclass Housing or Any Available and 2) Martin Hall.

MARCH 3 NOTIFICATION OF ASSIGNMENT STATUS

Check SMU email for notification of your status after 12 Noon

- If approved for Martin Hall, you will be given instructions for selecting a room at the RLSH office.
- If Martin is full, but space is available in the residence halls, you will be placed into another assignment group.

STUDENT DINING OPTIONS

As part of the Residential Commons and the living-learning experience, all resident students are required to have a dining plan membership unless assigned to the upperclass halls with apartment-style living (Moore, Martin, Daniel House) or a co-operative community program such as the the Service House. Residents select their dining plan during Room Selection. The dining plan will be billed to student accounts on access.smu for the Fall and Spring semester. Plans can be changed each semester until the last day to add/drop classes.

Questions about Dining? Visit smudining.com or call 214-738-2367.

ALL ACCESS 7 PLAN PLUS OPTIONS

Available to all resident students, this plan features unlimited dining access every day with \$100 Flex. In all, there are four All Access 7 options:

- All Access 7, includes \$100 Flex\$2,575.00 per semester
- All Access 7 plus \$100 additional Flex (\$200 total Flex per semester)\$2,670.00 per semester
- All Access 7 plus \$200 additional Flex (\$300 total Flex per semester)\$2,760.00 per semester
- All Access 7 plus \$400 additional Flex (\$500 total Flex per semester)\$2,925.00 per semester

BLOCK 250 PLAN PLUS OPTIONS

Available to resident students with junior and senior status, this plan features a block of 250 meals which can be used anytime during the semester and \$100 Flex Dollars. In all, there are four Block 250 options:

- Block 250, includes \$100 Flex.....\$2,375.00 per semester
- Block 250 plus \$100 additional Flex (\$200 total Flex per semester)\$2,470.00 per semester
- Block 250 plus \$200 additional Flex (\$300 total Flex per semester)\$2,560.00 per semester
- Block 250 plus \$400 additional Flex (\$400 total Flex per semester)\$2,725.00 per semester

BLOCK 125 PLAN PLUS OPTIONS

Available to resident students with junior and senior status, this plan features a block of 250 meals which can be used anytime during the semester and \$100 Flex Dollars. In all, there are four Block 250 options:

- Block 125, includes \$100 Flex.....\$1,335.00 per semester
- Block 125 plus \$100 additional Flex (\$200 total Flex per semester)\$1,430.00 per semester
- Block 125 plus \$200 additional Flex (\$300 total Flex per semester)\$1,520.00 per semester
- Block 125 plus \$400 additional Flex (\$400 total Flex per semester)\$1,685.00 per semester

BLOCK 50/SENIOR RESIDENT OPTIONS

Residents with Senior status may select the Senior Resident plan. This plan features a block of 50 meals which can be used anytime during the semester and \$50 Flex Dollars. Seniors with this plan have four options as follows:

- Block 50 meals, \$50 Flex \$540.00 per semester
- Block 50 add \$100 Flex..... \$635.00 per semester
- Block 50 add \$200 Flex..... \$725.00 per semester
- Block 50 add \$400 Flex..... \$890.00 per semester

