

Common Connections

SMU Residence Hall Newsletter for First-Years, new Transfers and their Families

Summer 2013

SMU Residence Halls Open August 21-24

Welcome to the residence halls at Southern Methodist University! As a resident, you will become a member of the best community in which to live, learn and be part of Southern Methodist University!

The residential experience at SMU is an integral part of the educational process. By living in a residence hall, you will develop friendships on your floor that will last a lifetime and cross over different backgrounds, academic interests and many other campus groups. Your residence hall community is not just the first, but also one of the most enduring communities you will join at SMU.

When to Check-in

Residence halls officially open on Saturday, August 24 at 9:00 a.m. Students attending Mustang Corral check-in on Wednesday, August 21 at the student's pre-assigned check-in time. (Only students registered for Mustang Corral are approved for arrival that day.) Corral appointment times are included in the hall assignment email sent to students on July 1.



Check-in Dates & Locations

August 21-Mustang Corral

Check in at Hughes-Trigg Student Center at your appointment check-in time, or anytime after until 4:30 p.m.

August 24-Residence Hall Check-in

Hughes-Trigg Student Center
8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
After 2:45 p.m., check in at the Area Desk from 3:00 p.m. until 12 Midnight

August 25-Check-in at Area Desk

If arriving on Sunday, go to your Area Desk between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Deadline to check-in is 5:00 p.m.

When you check-in at Hughes-Trigg Student Center, you will receive up to two parking passes for the unloading

zones behind the South Quad and the North Quad "horseshoe" lot. The passes are good for 1 hour. You must move your vehicle after 1 hour in order for others to unload. Additional vehicles must be parked away from the residence halls.



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Living in the Residence Halls

Residential Life Staff

There are a number of staff employed by SMU to run the residence halls. Here are a few of the staff you need to know:

Resident Assistant (RA): RAs are students who live on the floors in your hall. RAs create community on the floor and are great resources for questions about hall or campus life, important policies and procedures, and create activities and programs designed to enhance residents' personal and academic needs. The RA reports directly to the Residential Community Director.

Residential Community Director (RCD): The person responsible for the "life" in your residence hall community, RCDs are full-time staff members with a Master's Degree who supervise the Resident Assistants in your hall.

Assistant Director for Residential Life (ADRL): The ADRLs directly supervise several Residential Community Directors. Each is an experienced residential life professional with a Master's Degree and has a broad background in student development and residence hall management.

Facilities Manager (FM): FMs are administrative staff who coordinate response to maintenance and custodial needs. There are five Facilities Managers, each of whom is responsible for a group of residential facilities. Feel free to talk with your FM if you have any facilities concerns or suggestions.

Maintenance Worker: A member of our staff who responds to quick-fix types of routine repair needs.

Recycling/Sustainability

SMU engages in environmentally conscious behavior through broad campus resource management programs, recycling, student initiatives, and green building construction. In the residence halls, this includes "single stream" recycling bins in resident rooms as well as common areas, low-flow shower heads, and fluorescent lights. In addition, each residence hall has a student Environmental Representative (E-Rep) to promote awareness on energy and resource conservation, recycling, and other environmental issues.

Property Insurance

SMU's insurance does not cover personal property and the University assumes no liability for loss or damage to personal property for any reason. We encourage parents and guardians to check with their own insurance provider to see how a homeowner's policy might cover student's property while at college. If it doesn't provide this coverage, you may wish to consider renter's insurance that would provide the coverage you desire.

Meningitis Vaccination Requirement

As of January 1, 2012 Texas state law requires that any entering student who is under 30 years old must be immunized before attending classes (and must have received the vaccine within the preceding 5 years and at least 10 days prior to the first day of class) or provide exemption information.

Documentation of the vaccination must be submitted to the SMU Health Center with the Health History form. Students may submit a conscientious exemption using a form from the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Complete information on the requirements, along with a link to various forms, is on the SMU Health Center website at smu.edu/healthcenter.

For more information call the Memorial Health Center, 214-768-2141.



Hall & Roommate Assignments

Hall Assignment information will be emailed to your SMU email address on Monday, July 1 after 12 Noon. Roommate information will be emailed to your SMU email address on Saturday, August 3 after 5:00 p.m. Room numbers are released when you check into the residence halls on August 21 (Mustang Corral) or August 24 (traditional opening day).

Hall Assignments

On July 1, your hall assignment will be sent to your SMU email address. As an incoming first-year or transfer student, your assignment is based on 1) the date your application was received in our office; 2) your requested theme/academic focus community (if any); 3) your preferred halls; 4) whether or not you requested a single room. If you are assigned to a hall that you did not request, it is probably because the halls you requested were filled before your assignment was processed. Ideally, Residence Life & Student Housing strives to assign students to one of their requested halls. However, some halls receive far more requests than space available in that hall. Every residence hall has great things to offer; take a look at the “Facts and Figures” on page 8 to get familiar with your hall.



What if I want a Room Change?

During the first two weeks of the semester, there are no room or hall changes allowed. Room change requests begin on Monday, September 9, 2013.

Residents seeking a change first meet with their Residential Community Director to discuss the reason why a change is being requested. If approved to continue with a change, the student then meets with assignment staff.

No changes may be made without authorization from RLSH staff. Students who change rooms without authorization will be required to move back to their assigned room and will be subject to a fine.



Your Roommate

Roommate information will be sent to your SMU email address on August 3 and will include your roommate’s name, SMU email address and home phone number.

If you made a roommate request before the June 1 deadline, we check that the request is mutual and then assign both roommates to the same hall. Requests received after June 1 are not guaranteed. (FYI--incoming students may only request a roommate, not suitemates.) If you are going “potluck,” we will use the roommate pairing information on your housing application to pair you with another student assigned to your hall.

Getting to Know Your Roommate

If you’ve never shared a room, you aren’t alone. Living with a roommate is a new experience for many students and the anticipation of getting to know your roommate can be both exciting and stressful. Start with the basics. Talk with your roommate and ask questions about his or her habits (sleeping, listening to music, watching TV, playing video games or musical instruments) and about likes and dislikes. During the first week of school, you and your roommate will fill out your Roommate Agreement, which is an important tool to setting expectations of living together and how to handle problems when they arise. Even if you requested your roommate and you’ve been best friends forever, you’ll want to use the Roommate Agreement. Living with another person requires communication, flexibility, and willingness to compromise.

About Your Room

Ahh, the joy (or agony) of shopping for a college student's room. No matter how well you prepare you will 1) inevitably forget something and 2) bring more things than you actually need! Double rooms vary in size from 196 to 250 square feet, and there is no standard size. Even within one hall, room size can vary from 5 to 20 square feet. Keep that (and your roommate!) in mind when shopping.

Because space is often at a premium in a residence hall room, you should consider the "less is more" approach when thinking about what to bring. A suggested list of What to Bring and What to Leave is on page 7. In addition, you may want to take a look at how some SMU students have organized their rooms. The 2010 winning rooms of the Room Design contest are available on-line at www.smu.edu/housing/roomcontest.

You and your roommate are responsible for cleaning your own room, and for cleaning up after yourself elsewhere in the building. Residence hall community-style bathrooms are cleaned by custodial staff daily Monday through Friday. Suite-style bathrooms are cleaned weekly. Residents in apartment-style halls are responsible for cleaning their own bathroom.

What's In the Room?

Rooms are furnished with a bed (80" extra long twin), dresser, desk, and desk chair for each resident. All rooms are carpeted and all windows have mini-blinds. A waste basket and recycle bin are provided in each room. A telephone with local service and voice mail is provided.

All residence halls are air conditioned and have a microwave available for resident use. Vacuum cleaners are also available for residents.



Lofts & Bunk Beds

Residents may request to have beds lofted or bunked after checking into their room. A release form (available at area desks) is required when making the request. Requests will only be accepted through September 18. Bed rails must remain on the bed and may not be against the wall side when a bed is lofted or bunked. Ladders are available upon request. Requests to return a bed to "regular" height or lower can be made at any time during the academic year at no charge. Any additional request to adjust the height of the loft will result in a \$50 charge.

Display lofts will be set up in the residence halls at opening in August. We encourage students to look at the display and try it out before making their requests.



Checklist-Moving to SMU

- Send your Health forms to the SMU Health Center, including proof of vaccination for meningitis (see page 2)
- Confirm your intent to live on-campus by reply email when you receive your Hall Assignment notice on July 1
- Register on line for your mailbox OR renew your mailbox with the SMU Post Office (see page 10)
- Update your address book, change your address on magazine subscriptions and bills
- Pack! Check the “What to Bring and What to Leave” lists on page 7
- Ship boxes to your PO Box after August 12, 2013
- Talk with parents/family about spending money
- Read Fire Safety Guidelines
- Update your local address on Access.SMU
- Call or e-mail your roommate (information emailed on August 3)
- Move in Day! For Corral-August 21, report to Hughes-Trigg Student Center at your pre-assigned appointment time. Arrive at your time or afterwards, until 4:30 p.m.
- Opening Move in Day: August 24, report to Hughes-Trigg Student Center 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. After 2:45 p.m., check-in at Area Desks till Midnight. On August 25, check-in at the Area Desk 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Meet your Resident Assistant and Residential Community Director
- Get your parking permit and put it on your vehicle
- Attend Mustang Corral August 22-24 and Common Reading Group, First Floor meeting, Rotunda Passage and Opening Picnic on August 24

Mustang Corral Move in Day

Students attending Mustang Corral will check into the residence halls on Wednesday, August 21 at our centralized location in the Hughes-Trigg Student Center ballroom (lower level). Check-in is at your pre-assigned appointment time which will be included in your hall assignment email on July 1. You may check-in at your appointment time or anytime after, but not before.

Appointment times are required because over 1,350 students are expected to check in between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Corral arrival day. Appointment times are set according to the date you registered for Mustang Corral. There is a maximum number of students that we can process without creating long lines. Since implementing the appointment times several years ago, we have seen an increase in efficiency and no lengthy lines. Appointment times typically cannot be re-scheduled.

Here is what happens at check-in at Hughes-Trigg

1. First, have your SMU Student ID card ready to pick up your check-in card with your room number & phone number.
2. Next step, sign the check-in log and receive information regarding how to access the SMU Student Handbook, the RLSH Community Standards and e-Handbook, and information about Fire Safety.
3. Your room key will be issued at the next station.
4. Finally, you will be issued two parking passes good for one hour to park in temporary move-in parking areas.

When you arrive at your residence hall after checking in at Hughes-Trigg, your Resident Assistant staff will be in the building with information about your community and answers to any questions you have.

After unloading the car, move it to a parking garage or remote lot so that other residents can unload. Take your cardboard boxes to the designated recycling spot and trash to the trash room.

As you get settled into your room, your Resident Assistant will have your Room/Apartment Condition Report. If you find any discrepancies, tell your RA right away. As you decorate your room, be sure to pay attention to the “Do’s and Don’t’s” of hanging and personalization on page 6. Interested in a loft? Visit the loft display and turn in your form at the area desk.

Decorating “Do’s and Don’t’s”

By following these guidelines and the SMU Fire Safety regulations, you will be able to decorate and personalize your room to create a safe and comfortable place to study and socialize.

How to Hang Pictures

Hanging up posters and pictures brings life to your room and a touch of home. However, you need to be cautious so the walls are not damaged. Any damages to the room, including damage to walls, will be charged to residents when they check out of their rooms. To avoid unnecessary charges and damages, you will need to follow these guidelines for how to hang things in the halls.

In all residence halls, **painter’s “blue tape”** and **poster putty/sticky tack** are permitted for hanging posters and light-weight items on the walls. In some residence halls, a “tack strip” is available to hang items such as picture frames. In some residence halls (Boaz, Cockrell-McIntosh, Mary Hay, McElvaney, Moore, Morrison-McGinnis, Peyton, Shuttles, Virginia-Snider, Service House and Daniel House), residents may use tacks/pushpins and small picture hooks (20 pound max) to hang items. The limit on small picture hooks/tacks is 10. In the remaining residence halls (Hawk, Martin, Perkins, and Smith), only blue painter’s tape and poster putty/sticky tack may be used.



How to Avoid a Charge

The following items are prohibited in the residence halls because of the damage that results when used. If you use any of these items, you will be charged for damages.

- ⊘ **No 3-M™ strips or adhesive hooks of any sort.**
- ⊘ No Double-stick foam or tape.
- ⊘ Do NOT use bolts or screws in the walls, door frames, furniture, etc.
- ⊘ You may NOT attach flat-screen TVs, bookshelves or anything else that uses bolts, screws or large nails.
- ⊘ Fire Safety guidelines prohibit hanging anything from the ceiling.
- ⊘ If you have any questions about what is permitted, ask your Residential Community Director or Resident Assistant before you hang up any items.



Fire Safety at SMU

At SMU, we take fire safety very seriously and work closely with the local Fire Marshal. All residents should become familiar with the Fire Safety guidelines for their community (residence halls, apartments or fraternity houses). The Fire Safety brochure outlines what is permitted and what is prohibited in SMU residential facilities.

Violations of Fire Safety guidelines will result in a minimum \$150 fine, required Fire Safety education and may result in further SMU conduct action. You will receive a copy of the Fire Safety brochure during the summer and at check-in. It is also available online, in the RLSH office, and at the Area Desks. If you have any questions about the Fire Safety guidelines, please contact our office.

What to Bring, What to Leave

Here are some ideas of what you might want to bring and some things you should definitely leave at home. Keep in mind that you and your roommate may need to share some items (TV, fridge) and that space is always at a premium.

What to Bring

- ☑ Bed linen: sheets, comforter, pillow, mattress pad (all beds are 80" extra-long twin size)
- ☑ Desk/study items including a desk lamp with compact fluorescent bulb (see below About Lamps)
- ☑ Backpack, bookbag, laptop case
- ☑ Computer and power strip with surge protector and on-off switch
- ☑ Clothes for Fall semester (leave most of your cool weather items at home for now!)
- ☑ Umbrella
- ☑ Towels, toiletries in a portable shower basket
- ☑ Photos, mementos, room decorations (remember the picture hanging guidelines for your hall)
- ☑ For laundry: basket, laundry soap ("HE" or low-suds type), fabric softener, iron, small ironing board
- ☑ Personal electronics: alarm clock, small TV, DVD player, CD/MP3 player, game console, etc.
- ☑ Power strip: UL-Approved with an on-off switch
- ☑ Coffee maker with enclosed coils, or "pod" style coffee maker
- ☑ Cup/mug, dishes, utensils
- ☑ Stand-alone shelving or pre-fab storage units
- ☑ Tension rod & curtain for windows and/or closet area

Optional

- ☑ Small refrigerator (limit one 3.1 cubic feet size fridge per bedroom, so consider renting with your roommate)
- ☑ Storage drawers, plastic carts, "Elfa" storage
- ☑ Bike with a "U" lock (must remain outside or at the McElvaney Bike storage)
- ☑ Non-sticky drawer liner paper
- ☑ Rainboots

What to Leave

The following are not permitted in rooms for fire safety and conduct regulations. Prohibited items are subject to confiscation and may result in a conduct or fire safety violation and/or fines.

- ⊘ All cooking appliances, including but not limited to: microwaves, toasters, toaster/broiler ovens, open coil burners, hot plates/induction plates, electric frying pans and woks, hot oil cooking appliances
- ⊘ Any kind of "multi-plug" adapter
- ⊘ Standard electric extension cords
- ⊘ Plug-in air fresheners/vaporizers
- ⊘ "Reed diffuser" air fresheners
- ⊘ Halogen lamps
- ⊘ Any incandescent light bulbs--use compact fluorescent bulbs instead!
- ⊘ Candles, incense, any open-flame device
- ⊘ Fuel, of any kind
- ⊘ Excessive furniture (all SMU furniture must remain in the room)
- ⊘ Alcohol, unless you are 21
- ⊘ Empty alcohol containers/collections
- ⊘ Illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia
- ⊘ Weapons of any sort, including "ornamental" weapons
- ⊘ Fireworks
- ⊘ Grills of any variety
- ⊘ Phones/fax machines/modems or wireless routers
- ⊘ Fido, Fluffy, Newt, Lizzie or Yurtle - the only pets allowed are fish (one 10-gallon tank, maximum)

About Lamps & Light Bulbs

For fire safety and energy sustainability reasons, only compact fluorescent light bulbs (CF) or LED bulbs are permitted in student lamps. Halogen lamps and incandescent bulbs are prohibited at all times. Lava lamps, black lights and oil lamps are prohibited. All lamps must be UL approved.

Residence Hall Facts & Figures

Approximately 2,000 students at SMU live in 13 residence halls and 2 shared-interest houses. All communities feature the same red brick Georgian architecture and are staffed with great Resident Assistants, extra-long (80") twin beds, air conditioning, and community study/lounge space. Behind the red brick there are some variations: suite bath versus community, singles versus doubles (with a few triples thrown in), larger halls versus smaller, all first-year halls versus those with students from all four classes. But with all of that, you may not know these facts:

- 96% of the first-year class lives on-campus and first-years are the largest population in campus housing.
- The oldest residence hall is Virginia Hall, built in 1926.
- Over 700 residents participate in the academic-focus and shared-interest communities.

Below are some of the facts from frequently asked questions about the residence halls. Have a specific question? Please contact the RLSH office!



Where do First-Years Live?

About 1,425 first-year students live in 11 residence halls. The remainder live at home with a parent or guardian. Below are the approximate numbers of first-years expected in each hall.

	Number	FY%
Boaz	179	100%
McElvaney	260	100%
Perkins & Smith	182	100%
Morrison-McGinnis	160	78%
Virginia-Snider	180	70%
Cockrell-McIntosh	150	70%
Mary Hay	75	70%
Peyton	55	60%
Shuttles	78	54%
Moore	60	50%

What style Bathroom will I Have?

Suite-style bathrooms

- Cockrell-McIntosh
- Half of Morrison-McGinnis
- Mary Hay
- Peyton
- Shuttles
- Snider side of Virginia-Snider

Community-style bathrooms

- Boaz
- McElvaney
- Half of Morrison-McGinnis
- Perkins
- Smith
- Virginia side of Virginia-Snider

Suite baths are cleaned weekly, community baths cleaned Monday-Friday.

Are there any Singles?

While many first-years request double rooms, singles are often available for first-years. A single room is one designed and built for one occupant. Room sizes vary, but are smaller than a typical double room.

- Cockrell-McIntosh-3
- Morrison-McGinnis-52
- Shuttles-26
- Mary Hay-40
- Peyton-8
- Virginia-2 and Snider-6
- Boaz-3
- Perkins-8
- Smith-9

Residence Hall Tours during AARO

Take a tour of a sample room during AARO. Rooms will be in

- Shuttles
- McElvaney
- Perkins
- Morrison-McGinnis
- Moore

All other halls are in use during the summer and some are under construction. If you are assigned to:

- Boaz, see McElvaney
- Smith, see Perkins
- Peyton, Mary Hay or Virginia-Snider, see Shuttles

Fact sheets with furniture dimensions are available on the tour. Room & closet dimensions vary from room to room and are therefore not available.

Other Helpful Facts

SMU Community Standards and Resident e-Handbook

The Community Standards for students living on campus establish the fundamental guidelines for group living by seeking to balance individual freedoms with the rights of the community, to establish communities that recognize and celebrate the dignity and self-worth of all community members, to support positive choices made by students, and to hold residents accountable when they choose to violate these standards.

Resident students are also expected to abide by policies in the SMU Student Handbook, available on-line from the Dean of Student Life.

The Resident e-Handbook on the RLSH website contains the Community Standards as well as information about your housing license agreement, residence hall policies and services.

On-Campus Requirement

SMU is implementing a new Residential Commons program which includes a new two year on-campus housing requirement. This two year requirement takes effect for new students as follows:

- First-year students, June 2013
- First-year transfer students, Fall 2014
- Transfer students with sophomore standing, Fall 2014

The Residential Commons will include most existing residence halls and the five new buildings currently under construction for a total of 11 communities. The SMU Class of 2017 will sign up for their Residential Commons (or RC) in the Spring as a rising sophomore.

The RC model is designed to create an academically-engaged residential community that promotes faculty/student interaction and a sense of belonging. Each RC will have a Faculty in Residence as well as common spaces for study and learning.

Be sure to look for more information about the Residential Commons throughout the year.

Bike Storage

Outdoor bike racks are available adjacent to all residence halls. Covered storage is available at the Bike Locker at McElvaney Hall after September 1. The service is complimentary, but space is limited. You must register your bike with SMU Police before using the bike locker. Bikes may not be stored in residence halls except during Winter Break when the residence halls are closed. Bike registration form is available on the SMU Police website.

2013-14 Residence Hall Dates

Fall Semester 2013

August 21	Mustang Corral Check in
August 24	Residence Halls open 9:00 a.m.
August 25	Common Reading, Convocation and Rotunda Passage
August 26	First day of classes
September 2	University Holiday-Labor Day
TBD	First RHA meeting
September 8	First home football game
October 4-5	Family Weekend
October 14-15	Fall Break (Halls remain open)
October 25-26	Homecoming
Early November	RA Applications available for 2014-15
November 27	No Classes
November 28-29	University Holiday-Thanksgiving (Halls remain open)
December 12-18	Examinations (No exams on Sunday)
December 19	Residence Halls close 10:00 a.m.

Spring Semester 2014

January 12	Residence Halls open 9:00 a.m.
January 17	First day of classes
January 20	University Holiday-MLK, Jr. Holiday
February	RA Interviews for 2014-15
March	Residential Commons Selection (for rising sophomores) Housing Reapplication-Lottery (for rising juniors & seniors)
March 10-14	Spring Break (Halls remain open)
April 18	University Holiday-Good Friday
May 7-13	Examinations (No exams on Sunday)
May 14	Residence Halls close 1:00 p.m. for non-graduating residents
May 17	Commencement
May 18	Residence Halls close for Seniors

Mail and Shipping Packages

SMU has a full-service postal station on-campus, located in the Hughes-Trigg Student Center. All residence hall students are required to have a mailbox and the mailbox fee is included in the residence hall rent.



Setting up your Mailing address

Residence hall students are required to have a mailbox at the SMU Post office in Hughes-Trigg Student Center. The mailbox fee is included in the residence hall rent and provides one year of service, from August 2013–July 2014. (Mail Service is not available in the residence halls.)

First-year and new transfer students may register for a mailbox assignment online at www.smu.edu/pobox beginning June 20th. Click on “Register for Post Office Box” and follow the instructions.

Returning residents must renew their current mailbox assignment with Post Office staff. (If your plans change and you decide to live off-campus, you will need to make payment to the Post Office for the annual box fee.)

All other new hall residents, including graduate students, or residents without mailbox assignments, may pick up their mailbox assignment in August at the SMU Post Office.

Mailbox assignments may not be arranged over the phone. For assistance with registering online or questions regarding mailbox service, call 214-768-4450.

The SMU Post office also offers other services for students including US Postage stamps, FedEx and UPS pick up and delivery, and sells boxes and other shipping supplies.

Your Mailing Address

Your Name
Southern Methodist University
3140 Dyer St.
PO Box 75 _____
Dallas, TX 75275-_____-

Shipping & Packages

Packages and mail must be sent to your SMU PO Box. If the proper address is used, delivery services including UPS and FedEx WILL deliver to the SMU Post Office.

When a package is received, a notice will be put in the mailbox. To pick up a package, take the notice and your SMU ID to the pick up window. To ship something ahead of your arrival, simply address the items to yourself. Boxes should be shipped no earlier than August 12, 2013. When you arrive, pick up your boxes at Hughes-Trigg Post Office. Times & location for pick up will be posted.

All mail and packages must be sent to your post office box. Mail service to residence halls is not available.



Other Deliveries

Flowers and other perishable local deliveries may be sent to the area desk for your residence hall. There are two Area Desks. The South Area Desk in McElvaney Hall serves McElvaney, Morrison-McGinnis, Cockrell-McIntosh, Perkins, Smith, Moore, Martin and Hawk. The North Area Desk is located in Virginia-Snyder Hall and serves Boaz, Mary Hay & Peyton, Shuttles, Virginia-Snyder, Daniel House and Service Houses.

Services for Residents

SMU offers a variety of services for resident students to help make this a “home away from home.” We work with several companies and campus partners to bring services that will be helpful to both students and their parents.

Refrigerators

Vital for Diet Coke, yogurt snacks and occasionally Ben & Jerry’s...you’ll want to keep them cold in a fridge. Refrigerators up to 3.1 cubic feet are allowed in the residence halls, with a limit of 1 per bedroom.

Thinking about buying a refrigerator? Try renting one instead! Mustang Rental representatives will be at AARO and residence hall opening. It’s convenient, reliable, and they deliver to your room. If you bring your own fridge, check the size! Anything over 3.1 cubic feet is a potential fire safety hazard and therefore not allowed in the halls.



Laundry

Laundry rooms are located in all residence halls and adjacent to Daniel House. In the halls, the cost for using laundry equipment is included in the rent for your hall. Here are a few tips to make it easier:

1. Remember the golden laundry room rule... don't leave your clothes in a machine, others will be waiting to use it!
2. Separate your red Pony socks from the white/light colored clothes and wash separately. Or, be prepared for a new shade of pink!
3. Only use “low-sudsing” detergent. Washers are front-loading, high-efficiency type.
4. Respect the laundry room and help keep it clean for other residents.
5. Please leave washer doors open after use to allow air to circulate and prevent musty smells.



Dining On-Campus

All residents in the traditional undergraduate residence halls are required to have an SMU Dining Plan. (Dining plans are optional for residents in Daniel House, Service House and for upperclass students in Moore Hall.) Dining plans for resident students are billed to the student account along with hall assignment. Dining plans begin with dinner on August 21, 2013 for students attending Corral.

Residential dining plans for first-year students living on-campus includes Seven Day “all access” entries to RFOC in Umphrey Lee and convenience meals at Mac’s Place; 10 guest passes; and Flex Dining Dollars. (Sophomores, juniors and seniors may select from additional residential dining plan options.)

All residential dining plans include Flex dollars which can be used on-campus at Einstein Brother’s Bagels, Café 100, The Market and the Mane Course (Chick-fil-a, Pizza Hut, Subway). Flex dollars are only valid for on-campus food locations and may not be used off-campus.

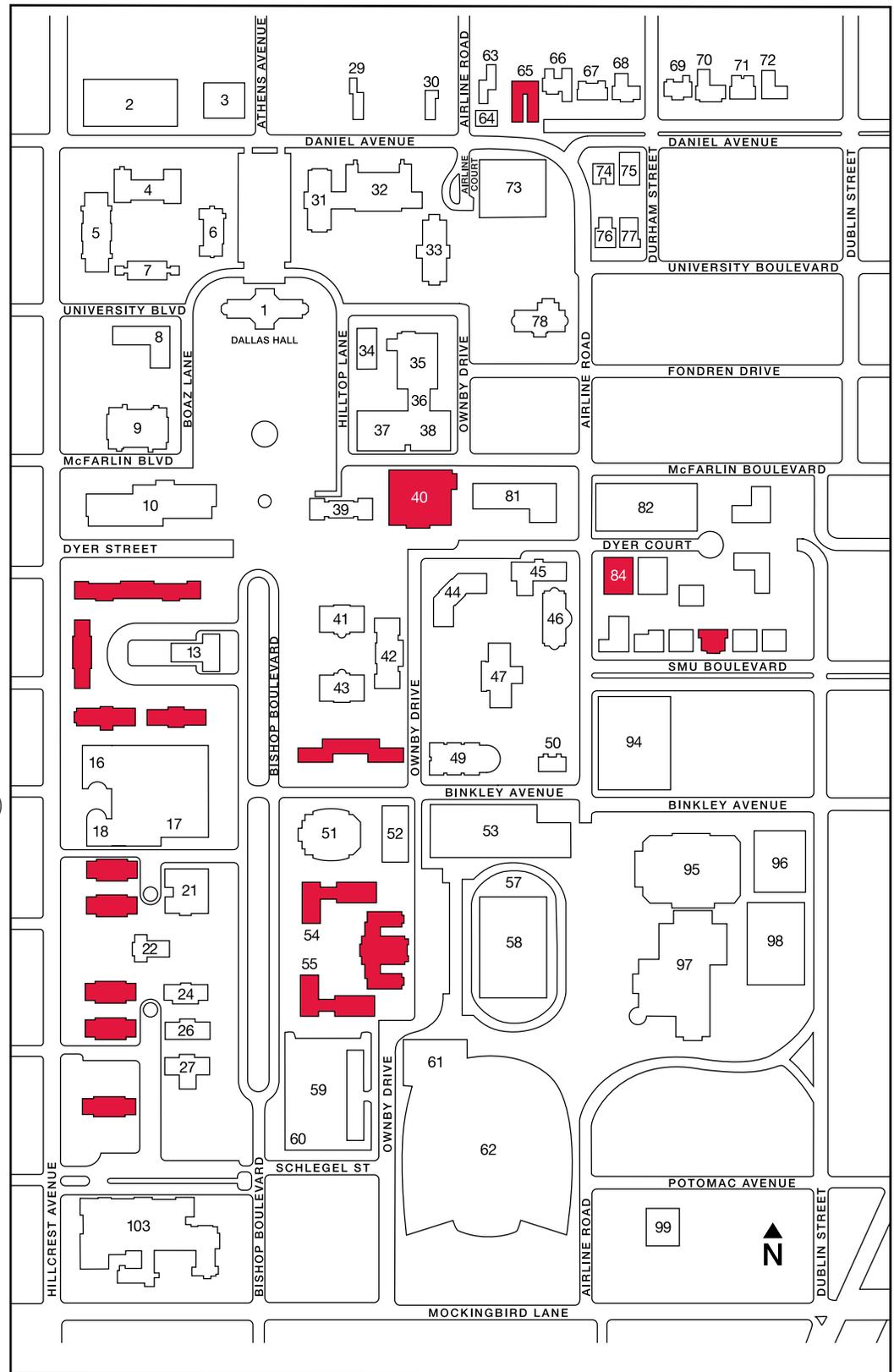
You may also consider an optional Pony account in addition to a dining plan. Pony is a stored value account, similar to a debit card, that allows students to make purchases on-campus and at select off-campus vendors if they choose to participate. While Pony offers greater flexibility in where it can be used, it is optional and does not satisfy the dining plan requirement for residential students.

Complete information about SMU Dining Services can be found at www.smudining.com. Information about Pony can be found at <http://smu.edu/parknpony>

Campus Map

List of Buildings is abridged

1. Dallas Hall
8. Perkins Administration Building
9. McFarlin Auditorium
10. Umphrey Lee Center
11. Virginia-Snyder Hall
12. Shuttles Hall
13. Memorial Health Center
14. Peyton Hall
15. Mary Hay Hall
17. Owen Fine Arts Center
19. Smith Hall
20. Perkins Hall
21. Bridwell Library
22. Perkins Chapel
23. Martin Hall
25. Hawk Hall
28. Moore Hall
31. Heroy Science Hall
32. Fondren Science Building
33. Dedman Life Sciences Building
34. Hyer Hall
36. Fondren Library Center
39. Clements Hall
40. Hughes-Trigg Student Center
47. Blanton Student Services Building
48. Boaz Hall
48. RLSH Office (Enter on Bishop Blvd.)
53. Binkley Garage
54. Morrison-McGinnis Hall
55. Cockrell-McIntosh Hall
56. McElvaney Hall
59. Meadows Museum
60. Museum Parking Garage
61. Loyd All-Sports Center
62. Ford Stadium
65. Daniel House
73. Airline Parking Garage
81. Patterson Hall/SMU Police
84. SMU Service House
94. Moody Parking Garage
95. Moody Coliseum
97. Dedman Recreation Center
99. SMU Bookstore
103. Highland Park United Methodist



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