

Greetings!

We invite you to **experience the power of MORE!** Living on campus is the perfect way to enjoy **MORE ...**

**Time * Freedom * Friends * Sleep
Opportunities * Academic Success**

Reserve Your Spot Today!

1. Fill out and return the enclosed application

Don't forget to:

- ✓ Sign the housing contract on the back
- ✓ Send both pages back to us through one of the methods at the bottom of the application
- ✓ Submit your \$250 housing deposit (\$50 for housing, \$200 one-time security) to the Campbell Solution Center

The preferred deadline to receive the housing application and deposit is **May 1, 2017** to secure housing for the entire academic year and **December 18, 2017** for the spring semester.

2. Watch your mail for your housing assignment, roommate(s), and other important move-in information that will be sent to you in mid-July.

Get an Inside Look!

Want to know more about your Residence Hall Choices? Check out a special episode of **RES HALL HUNTERS** on our website under Student Life or on our YouTube channel-<https://youtu.be/EITYKOq2cZY>.

Have Questions?

A list of Frequently Asked Questions is on the back of this sheet. Check it out! You also can find more information on the residence life page of gmercyu.edu.



Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Where will I live?

A. First-year students have the option to live in Loyola or St. Brigid Halls. Transfer students can choose between Siena and Alexandria Halls while ABSN students will live in Alexandria.

Q. What's the difference between each of the four Residence Hall options?

A. Loyola Hall – Traditional double rooms, community style living, communal bathroom

St. Brigid and Siena Hall - 4-person suites with 2 double rooms, shared bathroom

Alexandria Hall - Offers both double rooms and 4-person suites with shared bathroom; some suites also include living rooms

You can learn even more about each residence hall at: <https://www.gmercyu.edu/student-life/living-campus/residence-life-housing/residence-halls>.

Q. How Will I Be Assigned a Room and a Roommate?

A. Housing assignments are made based on a variety of factors including class year, gender, lifestyle preferences, roommate requests, space availability and the date by which you send in your housing deposit and complete your housing application. As on-campus housing is not guaranteed, the earlier your housing application and deposit are submitted, the more likely it is that your preferences will be met. Send in your application and deposit today!

Q. Do you offer off-campus transportation?

A. Yes! The Griffin Loop provides transportation to local shopping areas and a nearby movie theater at no additional cost to you. Our Office of Public Safety also provides free shuttle service to and from the local train station so you can get back and forth to Philadelphia for internships or if you're just looking for a change of scene over the weekend.

What if I Need Special Housing Accommodations?

A. If you need special housing accommodations due to a disability, contact our Student Accessibility Services (SAS) office. For more information on the SAS process, please go to: <https://www.gmercyu.edu/student-life/campus-resources/student-accessibility-services>.

Q. What is the E-STEM Living Learning Community Like?

A. The E-STEM Living Learning Community is designated for students who are biology, computer information science, and mathematics majors. If you're planning on majoring in one of these fields, you will live on a floor with other STEM students, and participate in STEM-specific programming, along with other monthly academic and social activities designed to enhance your academic success.



2017-2018 First Year/New Transfer/ABSN Student Housing Application

(please print)

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME		INTENDED MAJOR
STREET		CITY	STATE	ZIPCODE
CELL PHONE	HOME PHONE	DATE OF BIRTH	GENDER IDENTITY	

ARE YOU A: _____ First-Year Student _____ Transfer Student _____ ABSN Student

BUILDING PREFERENCES: First-year students can select from Loyola and St. Brigid; transfers from Siena and Alexandria, and ABSN students are automatically housed in Alexandria. Please rank your preference with 1 being your first choice and 2 being your second.

First-Year Housing

Transfer/ABSN Housing

____ Loyola Hall ____ St. Brigid Hall ____ Siena Hall ____ Alexandria Hall

ROOMMATE REQUEST (In order to consider a request, you both need to put each other down on the application. If you find someone you would like to live with after submitting the application, please contact our office directly):

LIFESTYLE PREFERENCES: This information will aid the office in selecting a roommate, if necessary:

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|--------------------------------|-----|----|---|---------------|------------|---------------|
| 1) Do you smoke: | Yes | No | 6) I prefer my room to be: | Quiet/Studios | In Between | Lively/Social |
| 2) Can you live with a smoker: | Yes | No | 7) I plan to have visitors in the room: | Rarely | In Between | Often |
| 3) I go to bed before 11 PM: | Yes | No | 8) Noise level I prefer while studying: | Silence | In Between | Very Loud |
| 4) I get up before 8 AM: | Yes | No | 9) Noise level I prefer while sleeping: | Silence | In Between | Very Loud |
| 5) Music I like: _____ | | | 10) I am: | Clean | In Between | Messy |

MEAL PLAN: All resident students are required to select a meal plan in order to reside in the residence halls. **First-year students are only eligible for the 19 or 15 Meal Plan:**

- 19 Meal Plan: 19 meals/wk + 100 MERV Bucks per semester
- 15 Meal Plan: 15 meals/wk + 200 MERV Bucks per semester
- 10 Meal Plan: 10 meals/wk + 250 MERV Bucks per semester

I hereby certify that the information which I have provided to be true and accurate and that any false information may result in being denied entrance to, or immediate dismissal from, the Residence Life program at Gwynedd Mercy University. I also certify that I have read and understand the terms and conditions of the Room and Board Contract and that the University cannot guarantee on-campus housing.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

MAIL/FAX/EMAIL/RETURN TO: Office of Residence Life
1325 Sumneytown Pike
P.O. Box 901
Gwynedd Valley, PA 19437

CONTACT INFO: Phone: 267-448-1305
Fax: 215-542-5781
Email: reslife@gmercyu.edu

Office Use: Application Received: _____ Deposit Received: _____

Housing Classification: _____



Gwynedd Mercy
University

Annual Room and Board Contract Fall 2017 – Spring 2018

I, the undersigned, hereby contract for a residence hall room space as a full-time, matriculated and registered undergraduate* student at Gwynedd Mercy University. The Room and Board Contract is in effect for the academic year or remaining portion thereof. This contract is subject to and in accordance with the following terms and provisions that supersede any previously published contract.

- A. The University will agree to provide for space based on availability to eligible students who are at least 16 years of age at the time of moving into a residence hall room space. For those under 18, the signature of parent or guardian is required guaranteeing payment of established charges for the specific academic year.
- B. Occupancy shall be subject to occupant maintaining status as a full time student.
- C. Occupancy shall be subject to all rules and regulations of The University, including those in the official *Student Handbook* and *Guide to Residence Life* which are available online.
- D. Residence halls are closed during semester break and other University closings. Residents are required to vacate the residence halls during the break periods unless otherwise agreed upon. Dates and times that residence halls will be closed are listed in the *Guide to Residence Life* and available online.
- E. In order to maintain health, safety, and maintenance of standards, or emergency reasons, The University reserves the right to inspect student rooms and furnishings at any time.
- F. The University accepts no responsibility for damage, theft or loss of money, valuables or personal effects of the student. Residents are encouraged to confirm that their property is covered by their family's home owner's insurance and/or purchase personal property insurance.
- G. The assignment or reassignment of rooms and roommates is an administrative decision of The University. The University has the right to assign a resident to any existing vacancy on campus at any time. When a vacancy exists in a double room, The University has the right to reassign the remaining resident to a vacancy in another room.
- H. The resident shall be responsible for the room and applicable board charges for the entire academic year or remaining portion thereof. Residents interested in a release from the housing contract, for whatever reason, must be approved through the Contract Release process. If a resident is released from the room and board program during a semester, they must vacate the assigned room within 24

hours of being notified. Extensions may be granted at the discretion of the Office of Residence Life.

- I. The official withdrawal date from the residence halls is based upon official notification by the student to the Office of Residence Life and their official check-out date. The following schedule is used when determining the room and board refund
 - a. 100% refund prior to the first day of the semester
 - b. 75% refund through the end of the add/drop period
 - c. 50% refund through first week after add/drop period
 - d. 25% refund through second week after add/drop period
 - e. 0% refund after end of second week from add/drop period
- J. All residents must submit a \$250 housing deposit to the Campbell Solution Center before being assigned a residence hall space. New residents who cancel their housing prior to May 1 will receive their deposit back in full; May 1-31 \$150 back; June 1-30 \$50 and \$0 if any time after July 1. Further information about the room deposit is located in the *Guide to Residence Life*.
- K. All residents will be held responsible for and billed for defacement or damage to the room, common areas, and furnishings for which he or she contracts. All residents are responsible for certifying the condition of their room by reviewing and signing the Room Condition Report (RCR) upon check-in. The RCR will be used for the basis of comparison and charges at check-out. All residents will also be billed for any damages (see *the Guide to Residence Life*) in common areas.
- L. Billing is done on a semester basis and any charges shall be paid in accordance with the official schedule established by The University. The collection of room and board charges is pursuant to University procedures.
- M. A meal plan is required for all residential students and is selected by the student when they submit their housing application with first year students only able to select the 19 or 15 meals per week option. Meal plans can be changed through the first week of classes at the Campbell Solution Center each semester. Each meal plan comes with M.E.R.V. Bucks each semester. Bucks leftover from the fall will carry over to the spring but must be used by the end of the spring semester or otherwise forfeited.
- N. Final room and board rates for the next academic year are not announced until February/March of the spring semester.
- O. The University reserves the right to take appropriate action against a resident, including the termination of this agreement, if a resident violates University rules or is otherwise a detriment to his/her safety or to the welfare of the residence hall environment. Students dismissed from campus housing for disciplinary reasons will automatically forfeit their housing deposit. The University reserves the right to state the required conditions for re-entry into the residence halls pending approval by the Dean of Students.
- P. The University may terminate this agreement by written notice if the student fails to comply with the agreement. The student remains liable for room and board charges for the full academic year unless released from this agreement by the Office of Residence Life
- Q. If any of these provisions is found to be invalid the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

*May also include students enrolled in graduate degree programs at the Gwynedd Valley campus

By signing below, I certify that I understand and have read the terms of the Annual Room and Board Contract and hereby agree to abide by all the policies contained therein.

Student Signature

Date

Parent signature (if applicant is under 18)

Date