Faculty in Residence Program
Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How do I know if I qualify for the Faculty in Residence Program?
A: Faculty employed by NDSU are eligible to participate in the program. Typically, assistant, associate, full professor (tenure track or tenured) participate at NDSU.

Q: How long do faculty typically participate in this program?
A: The program serves a minimum of one year however; faculty have participated for up to three years. Ongoing participation in the Faculty in Residence Program is a mutual agreement between the faculty member and Residence Life.

Q: What do faculty typically do as an “event”?
A: Each faculty member who has served as Faculty in Residence has taken a different perspective in what is offered for students as events. The most successful have been consistent/repetitive events where students can connect with one another and with the faculty member. Other events have focused on the faculty members interest areas such as fire safety, band practice, sky diving, serial killer trivia, etc.

Q: How are faculty in residence events funded?
A: Residence Life has a modest budget to support faculty in residence events.

Q: Where is the faculty apartment located?
A: Faculty in Residence apartments are located on the ground floor in the Mathew Living Learning Center and Cater Hall. The Mathew Living Learning Center (MLLC) is on the west side of campus next to the Wallman Wellness Center. Cater Hall is across from Newman Outdoor Field and is connected to the West Dining Center and ACE through an underground tunnel system.

Q: What is the size of the apartment?
A: 2 bedroom, 1 bath (MLLC); 2 bedroom 2 bath (Cater)

Q: What is the cost of the apartment?
A: There is no cost applied for the apartment. Living in the apartment is an essential component of the program enabling the faculty member close and frequent connections with students living in the hall. Cable, utilities, internet services and coinless in-hall laundry are included as they are already provided to the residence hall for student service.

Q: If I have a family, can they live with me in the residence hall?
A: Yes.
Q: Can I have pets if I am living in the residence hall?
A: Freshwater fish in a tank up to 10 gallons are allowed. A dog or cat may be considered after making a formal request to have a pet in the apartment.

Q: Who are the students who typically live in the MLLC and Cater Halls?
A: Students in the MLLC are typically junior or senior students with some representation from sophomores. Students in Cater Hall may be in any academic class but typically are first year and sophomore students. Students may be from any discipline or program offered at NDSU.

Q: What is the noise level of the MLLC or Cater Hall?
A: The MLLC is one of the quietest living environments on campus. Past faculty serving as Faculty in Residence (FIR) have shared their apartment in the MLLC has been far quieter than any other apartment they lived in. The FIR apartment in Cater Hall is located on first floor away from all student living and community spaces.

Q: Where will I receive mail?
A: Mail will be delivered to the hall. A private mailbox with key access is provided. Packages are delivered to the bookstore for all residence hall addresses.

Q: Is parking available? If so, where is it and how much does it cost?
A: The faculty member is responsible to pay their own parking fee; however, the fee covers the cost of a multi-lot parking pass so faculty can park near their office and the apartment. (Multi-lot parking passes require approval from the Parking Office.)

Q: Is there a shuttle/bus service on campus? How does it work?
A: Yes. The Metropolitan Area Transit System, known as MAT bus, is the public transit system serving the cities of Fargo and Moorhead with limited service to West Fargo and Dilworth. There is a bus stop right outside the MLLC. For more information, visit the NDSU/MAT shuttle website.

Q: Is it possible to visit the residence hall and see the apartment in advance?
A: An appointment can be scheduled to connect with Residence Life staff for a tour. Visiting the apartment will depend on the availability of the current faculty in residence residing in the space.

Q: Who do I contact if I have more questions about the Faculty in Residence Program?
A: Any additional questions about the Faculty in Residence Program can be sent to Carol Jergenson, Assistant Director for Residential Education at Carol.Jergenson@ndsu.edu or via phone at 701-231-5603.