Living on campus simply makes life easier. Being in close proximity to classes and campus activities is a convenience that can’t be topped.

NDSU Residence Life provides a variety of housing options for non-first-year students. From state-of-the-art residence halls to modern apartment living and everything in between—we have something for everyone.

This booklet provides step-by-step instructions and important deadlines for housing sign-up.

Please read through it carefully and save it for future reference.
RESIDENCE HALL LIVING

BENEFITS

- **Community and convenience:** The top two reasons students love living in residence halls are being close to friends and having easy access to everything on campus.

- **Billing:** Paying for housing is simplified as it is invoiced in full prior to the semester and includes all amenities (cable, high-speed Internet, heat, water, electricity and coinless laundry).

- **Shortened contracts:** Contracts are based on the academic year, not calendar year.

- **Hall staff:** Each hall has full-time hall directors and student resident assistants who support learning, facilitate community development and are dedicated to your security, safety and well-being.

- **Security:** Our halls have 24-hour keycard secure entrances, entrance security cameras and university police access and coverage. They also undergo annual safety inspections by the safety office and fire inspector, plus monthly testing of all fire extinguishers.

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**WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY ...**

I wanted to try out apartment living, then realized I didn’t want to furnish an entire apartment and I wanted to live at home during the summers, so I chose Niskanen Hall. It gave me everything I wanted—it was a perfect fit for me!

Living on campus is the way to go. You can sleep in, roll out of bed and walk to class in no time flat. My friends who live off campus have to get up early, drive and trek in from T-lot ... all while I’m still sleeping.

Being in the residence halls makes life easy. Close to friends, close to classes, connected to food and always within walking distance of something to do.
RESIDENCE HALL OPTIONS

CATER HALL
This state-of-the-art residence hall features two suite-style room layouts, central air, co-eded floors and tunnel access to the West Dining Center. Cater Hall provides eight community lounges, 10 conversation rooms, 10 study spaces with floor-to-ceiling views and 10 tech’d out huddle rooms. Other highlights include a multi-screen game room, theater screen, expansive community kitchen, double-sided fireplace lounge and fully equipped rec room.
- Available to: Second-year students | Meal plan: Required

NISKANEN HALL
(North, South and Middle)
Made up of three buildings, Niskanen Hall provides fully furnished, apartment-style units.

New next year, north and south will provide two single bedrooms (two residents per unit), one bathroom, living room, large storage closet, full kitchen and window air-conditioning. Middle provides two double bedrooms (four residents per unit), two bathrooms, large living room, central air and full kitchen with dishwasher.
- Available to: Any non-first-year student | Meal plan: Not required

MATHEW LIVING LEARNING CENTERS
The east and west centers offer fully furnished, apartment-style units. They feature single-occupancy bedrooms in both the studio and four-bedroom units, plus central air, a kitchenette/kitchen and a bathroom in every unit.
- Available to: Any student who is 20 years of age or older by Aug. 24, 2019 | Meal plan: Not required

RESIDENCE HALL ROOM SELECTION PROCESS
CATER HALL, MATHEW LIVING LEARNING CENTERS, NISKANEN HALL

NOV. 26-DEC. 5

IMPORTANT HOUSING SIGN-UP DATES:
PHASE ONE - License Agreement Submission...........................................Nov. 26
PHASE TWO - Current Room Re-selection...............................................Nov. 27
PHASE THREE - Roommate Selection.......................................................Nov. 28
PHASE FOUR - Room Selection...............................................................Nov. 29-30
PHASE FIVE - Waitlist Submission............................................................Dec. 3-5

PHASE ONE / ONLINE LICENSE AGREEMENT SUBMISSION
START TIME: Monday, Nov. 26, 6 a.m.
END TIME: Monday, Nov. 26, 11:59 p.m.

The first step is the most important. If you want to live in a residence hall next year, you must complete phase one during the allotted time frame. Phase one does not complete the entire process. Phase one is a prerequisite for the other four phases.

Log on to Campus Connection and select “Self Service” and “On-campus Housing.” Under “Applications,” choose “Room Sign-up.” Follow the prompts to submit your license agreement for the 2019-20 academic year.

The License Agreement is in effect for the full academic year (Aug. 24, 2019 - May 15, 2020).

Remember, if you plan to live in an NDSU apartment, (1701, Bison Court, Niskanen Expansion, University Village) this step and the following steps are not necessary. Apply anytime at www.ndsu.edu/realte.

If you would like to see Niskanen or the Mathew Living Learning Centers prior to Housing Sign-up, open houses are scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 12, from 6 to 9 p.m. To view Cater Hall’s floor plans, renderings, photos and more, visit www.ndsu.edu/realte/cater.
PHASE TWO / CURRENT ROOM RESELECTION

START TIME: Tuesday, Nov. 27, 6 a.m.
END TIME: Tuesday, Nov. 27, 11:59 p.m.

To participate in phase two, you must have completed phase one during the appropriate time. Phase two is available for one day and is for students currently living in Mathew Living Learning Centers or Nisknanen Residence Hall who want to re-select their current room.

Log on to Campus Connection and select “Self Service” and “On-campus Housing.” Under “Room Selection,” you may re-select your current room as your assignment for next year.

You cannot bring a new roommate into your room with you during this time. Students who participate in phase two are finished with Housing Sign-up after selecting their same room for next year. See number 14 in FAQs for more information.

PHASE THREE / ROOMMATE SELECTION

START TIME: Friday, Nov. 30, 6 a.m.
END TIME: Friday, Nov. 30, 11:59 p.m.

If you do not re-select your current room during phase two, you are eligible to select a roommate during this phase. Log on to Campus Connection and select “Self Service” and “On-campus Housing.” Under “Roommate Selection,” choose “Roommates/ Submates.” Enter the information requested and select the individual(s) with whom you would prefer to live. To “match” and be confirmed as roommates, you and your preferred roommate must mutually request one another online.

You are not required to select a roommate during phase three, but have the opportunity if you so choose. If you do not have a specific roommate request, you can ignore this phase.

Only current NDSU students who have submitted a license agreement for next year are eligible to be selected as roommates during phase three. Students who will be new to NDSU next fall may not be selected at this time.

PHASE FOUR / NEW ROOM SELECTION

START TIME: Thursday, Nov. 29, 7:30 a.m.
END TIME: Friday, Nov. 30, 11:59 p.m.

Phase four allows students to select any room on campus that is still available. By noon on Nov. 28, you will be given a start time based on the date your housing license agreement was originally received (not when it was received during phase one). So, the longer you have lived on campus, the earlier your start time will be.

Log on to Campus Connection and select “Self Service” and “On-campus Housing.” Under “Room Selection,” choose “Select a Room or Suite.” You will be able to view all empty spaces for which you are eligible. Select the one that is preferred by you and your roommate(s).

Only spaces still available at the time of your login will be listed online during phase four. If you are paired with a roommate, when one of you selects a room the other is automatically assigned to the same room. If you have an “unmatched” roommate request, you will not be able to select a room. The roommate request must be matched or withdrawn prior to selecting a room.

PHASE FIVE / WAITLIST SUBMISSION

START TIME: Monday, Dec. 3, 8 a.m.
END TIME: Wednesday, Dec. 5, 5 p.m.

It is anticipated that all available spaces will fill during phase four. However, many students who participate in Housing Sign-up may cancel between phase four and the beginning of fall 2019. A waitlist of students wanting housing is maintained so that assignments can be made as space becomes available. Historically, every student on our waitlist has received a space.

To be added to one or more waitlists, visit the Residence Life office in West Bison Court during phase five.

Waitlists are available for the following:
- Ceder Hall* (five-or seven-day meal plan required)
- Mathew Living Learning Center
- Nisknanen Hall

* See FAQ for additional information.
APARTMENT LIVING

BENEFITS

- Options: Choose between a variety of styles, floor plans and price points.
- Value: Affordable rent, combined with all-inclusive amenities, create unbeatable value.

CONVENIENCE
- Quick travel: On-site bike share stations and bus stops provide quick and easy travel.

COMMUNITY

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY...

I love living in Bison Court. It provides on-campus benefits like being close to everything and everyone, while having the freedom and flexibility of apartment living.

NDSU apartments are SO affordable. I’ve lived in University Village for two years and think it’s crazy that people pay so much to live so far away.

I hated the thought of being chained to a six- or 12-month lease. NDSU is the only apartment option I found that has student-friendly contracts.

College is hard enough; living on campus makes life a little easier.
NDSU APARTMENT OPTIONS

APARTMENT 1701
East of Fargodome
- Floor plans: Studio, one bed/one bath, two bed/two bath
- Featured amenities: High-speed internet, 24-hour keypad secure entrances, security cameras, air conditioning, full kitchen, coin-operated laundry on every floor, elevators, walk-in closets, large storage closets, study/community rooms, recreational rooms, tub/shower and walk-in shower options, bar-top islands
- Rent includes: Internet, heat, water/sewer/garbage, electricity, cable
- $575 (studio); $750 (one bedroom); $1,025 (two bedroom)
Listed rates are for the 2018-19 academic years; updated rates will be posted to ndsu.edu/reslife in February.

BISON COURT
Corner of 15th Ave, N. and University Drive
- Floor plans: Studio, one bedroom/one bath, two bedroom/one bath
- Featured amenities: High-speed internet, 24-hour keypad secure entrances, security cameras, central air, kitchenette/kitchen, on-site coin-operated laundry, elevators, and study and recreational lounges
- Monthly rent per unit includes: Internet, heat, water/sewer/garbage, electricity, cable
- $535 (studio); $650 (one bedroom); $1,020 (two bedroom)

NISKANEN EXPANSION
East of the Fargodome
- Floor plans: One bed/one bath, two bed/two bath, three bed/two bath
- Featured amenities: High-speed internet, 24-hour keypad secure entrances, air conditioning, full kitchen plus dishwashers, on-site coin-operated laundry, elevators, walk-in closets, study and recreational lounges, lofted ceilings on third-floor apartments, bar-top islands (stools included)
- Monthly rent per unit includes: Internet, heat, water/sewer/garbage, electricity, cable
- $750 (one bedroom); $1,025 (two bedroom); $1,200 (three bedroom)

UNIVERSITY VILLAGE
East of the Fargodome
- Floor plans: One bedroom/one bath, two bedroom/one bath
- Featured amenities: High-speed internet, full kitchen and on-site coin-operated laundry
- Monthly rent per unit includes: Internet, heat, water/sewer/garbage
- $520 (one bedroom); $600 (two bedroom)

APPLY

NDSU APARTMENT APPLICATION INFORMATION
Unlike residence hall sign-up, you can sign up for NDSU Apartments at ANY TIME. Our apartments fill fast, so the sooner you apply, the more likely you are to get in.

Request an application at the Department of Residence Life central office located in West Bison Court, or download it at www.ndsu.edu/reslife/apartment_applications.

Return your application to West Bison Court at any time along with your $200 application fee. You also can pay your application fee online.

Important Notes
* Students must have completed at least two semesters of high school college coursework before being allowed to move into a university apartment. Students can apply prior to meeting these requirements, but must meet the requirements before moving in.
* NDSU apartments are smoke-free.
* NDSU does not assign move-in dates for apartments. Tenants are responsible for finding their own roommate.

TODAY
1 DAY - 25 UNITS
DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE!
NISKANEN EXPANSION SIGN-UP SPECIAL

Tuesday, Nov. 27, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Niskanen Community Center – South end of Niskanen Building #1155

Sign a contract for a two-bedroom, two-bathroom Niskanen Apartment, and receive:
- $0 Deposit fee
- $0 Application fee
- $0 Security deposit

Plus be entered to win one of two Echo Dots

The event includes building and unit tours, refreshments and giveaways. Sign-up special is for two-bedroom units only. License agreement must start on or before May 1, 2019.

ndsu.edu/reslife/apartments
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1 WHERE CAN I LIVE NEXT YEAR?
As a non-first-year student, you have many upper-division living options to choose from.
Residence Halls: Cater Hall is available to second-year students only. The Mathew Living Learning Centers are available to any student who is 20 years of age or older by Aug. 24, 2019. Niskanen is available to any non-first-year student.
Also, any non-first-year student is eligible to live in our four apartments: 1701, Bison Court, Niskanen Expansion, or University Village. Remember, apartment applications may be submitted at any time. You do not need to wait for Housing Sign-up to begin, and you do not need to take part in any of the five phases of room sign-up.

2 WHAT DETERMINES “SECOND-YEAR” ELIGIBILITY FOR CATER HALL?
A student who currently lives in a freshman hall, who had a spring 2018 high school graduation date, will be considered a “second-year” student next year and is eligible to live in Cater Hall. Academic standing (cumulative credit hours, PSEO credits, etc.) is not considered.
If you have special circumstances, such as military service or gap year experience and believe you should be considered eligible for Cater Hall despite an earlier high school graduation date, please contact the Residence Life central office.

3 CAN TRANSFER A STUDENT LIVE IN CATER HALL?
Yes, if a second-year student.

4 WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN APARTMENT AND A RESIDENCE HALL?
There are six main differences between residence halls and apartments. Halls bill per semester, apartments bill monthly. Halls have academic year contracts, apartments have 4- to 12-month lease options or longer. Halls are fully furnished, apartments are not furnished. Halls have on-site hall directors and resident assistants, apartments have complex managers. In halls, roommates are self-selected or assigned by Residence Life; in apartments, roommates are self-selected only. To apply for space in the halls, you must participate in room sign-up starting on Nov. 26; to apply for an apartment, you may submit an application at any time.
> Residence halls include: Cater Hall, Niskanen Hall and the Mathew Living Learning Centers
> Apartments include: 1701, Bison Court, Niskanen Expansion and University Village

5 WHERE DO I LOG ON?
To access the online features, log on to Campus Connection, select “Self Service” and “On-campus Housing.”

6 WHY DO I GET A “CANNOT DISPLAY PAGE” OR “TIMED OUT DUE TO INACTIVITY” ERROR IN CAMPUS CONNECTION?
If you get an error message, read the instructions listed on the page previous to selecting your institution (the page immediately after selecting “On-campus Housing”). Your browser needs to be set to accept cookies. Follow the instructions on the webpage and it should correct the issue.

7 IS THE RESIDENCE HALL LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR FALL SEMESTER ONLY?
The license agreement is made for the academic year (Aug. 24, 2019, to May 15, 2020), unless leaving campus for an internship, co-op, study abroad program or graduation.

8 WHAT IF I’M NOT SURE I WANT TO LIVE ON CAMPUS NEXT YEAR?
Participate in Housing Sign-up anyway. You still have until May 1 to cancel your license agreement without penalty.

9 WHAT IF I NEED TO CANCEL MY RESIDENCE HALL LICENSE AGREEMENT LATER?
You may cancel your residence hall license agreement, but after May 1, there is a $100 cancellation fee. After June 1, there is a $150 cancellation fee. After July 1, there is a $200 cancellation fee. After Aug. 1, there is a $250 cancellation fee. Cancellations after moving in result in a fee equal to the full balance of the license agreement.

10 CAN MY OFF-CAMPUS FRIEND GO THROUGH HOUSING SIGN-UP IF HE/SHE IS A CURRENT NSDU STUDENT?
Current NSDU students not living on campus should contact the Department of Residence Life in West Bison Court to receive more information about participating in the Housing Sign-up process.

11 WHAT IF I WANT TO ROOM WITH SOMEONE WHO IS NOT YET AN NSDU STUDENT?
It is not possible to select an incoming student during this process. Additionally, it is anticipated that all available residence hall spaces will fill during Housing Sign-up. Wait until the new student receives a housing assignment this summer. Then, contact the Residence Life central office at 701-231-7557 or nsdu.residence.life@eds.edu to see if we are able to move student assignments to accommodate your request.
12 WHEN WILL I FIND OUT MY ROOM SELECTION TIME?

By room on Wednesday, Nov. 28, you can see your designated phase four start time online. Log into Campus Connection, select "Self Service" and "On-campus Housing." Remember, your room selection time is based on when your original housing application was first received, not when it was received during phase one.

Phase four starts at 7:30 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 29, and your specific selection time will be after that.

13 COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE NISKANEN BUILDINGS?

The Niskanen area consists of Niskanen Residence Hall (three buildings – north, south, and middle) and Niskanen Expansion Apartments (three buildings). The residence hall buildings can be selected during Housing Sign-up or you can apply for the apartments at any time.

14 WHAT IF I WANT TO KEEP MY CURRENT ROOM BUT SELECT A NEW ROOMMATE?

If you want to keep your current room in Niskanen or Mathew Living Learning Center, you can re-select it during phase two. Upon re-selecting your current room during phase two, your Housing Sign-up process is complete, and you will not be able to participate in phase three or phase four.

If you want to room with another student, you have some choices to make. You can re-select your current room during phase two and then the student you want to live with can try to select the other empty space in that room during phase four. However, by doing that you risk that someone else with an earlier selection time will sign up for that empty spot before your preferred roommate is able to do so. Alternatively, you can choose not to re-select your current room during phase two, but participate instead in roommate pairing during phase three. This will help ensure you can live with the student of your choice, but you may not have the option to return to your current location, depending on selection times and popularity of that particular room.

15 I’M REQUESTING A SINGLE ROOM. HOW CAN I GET ONE?

There are limited single rooms available on campus. They are popular and are often the first rooms selected. Due to space limitations, double rooms cannot be reserved as singles.

16 CAN I SELECT MORE THAN ONE ROOMMATE?

Yes, but if you are matched with more roommates than a room or suite can hold, you cannot select that location without dropping the extra roommates. Suite-style living spaces (like Niskanen Hall) can be selected as two double rooms or an entire four-person suite. An individual can select one bed in a four-person suite, two matched roommates can select one of the two double rooms in a four-person suite, or four matched roommates can select the entire suite. If one space in the four-person suite is taken, though, the suite will not be selectable by four-person roommate matches when choosing a new room. Roommate matches will need to be dropped to three or fewer people, depending on the number of available beds in the suite. The fewer roommate matches you have, the more available spaces you have to choose from.

17 AFTER I AM Matched WITH A ROOMMATE, WHICH ONE OF US SHOULD SELECT THE ROOM?

When one matched roommate selects a room, the other matched roommate is automatically assigned. To have the best opportunity to select a desired location, the roommate with the earliest selection time should log in and select a room.

18 WHAT IF I MISS A DEADLINE, BUT STILL WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN HOUSING SIGN-UP?

Contact the Department of Residence Life immediately. Some accommodations may be made to allow you to participate. However, you might find fewer options for room selection than students who meet the listed deadlines.

19 MY SELECTION TIME HAS ARRIVED, WHY CAN’T I SEE (OR SELECT) ANY ROOMS FOR A PARTICULAR HALL?

It is for one of three reasons: there are no rooms left to select, you are not eligible to live in that space or there are no spaces available that will accommodate your roommate group (dropping one or more of your roommates will potentially offer more spaces). Additionally, you are unable to choose a room if your designated time has not yet arrived.

20 CAN I GET ON A WAITLIST FOR MATHEW LIVING LEARNING CENTER, NISKANEN HALL OR CATER?

Yes, if you were not able to select the Mathew Living Learning Center, Niskanen Hall or Cater, stop by the Department of Residence Life to be added to a waitlist for those halls. Waitlist priority will be established based on original application date (just like room selection priority was established). If a space becomes available in your requested location before next fall, you will automatically be re-assigned there. Waitlists do not carry over to the fall semester, so if you do not get your requested assignment, contact the hall director in that hall when returning to campus in August.

21 WILL YOU RUN OUT OF RESIDENCE HALL SPACE FOR RETURNING STUDENTS?

Yes and no. Though we typically fill all available residence hall spaces during Housing Sign-up, we have traditionally been able to accommodate everyone on our waitlist by the time the halls open the following year. Between Housing Sign-up and the start of fall semester, many students with residence hall assignments make alternate living arrangements. This opens space for students on the waitlist to be assigned. If you are not able to select a space during Housing Sign-up, just add yourself to the waitlist (phase 5). Though not guaranteed, the chances of eventually getting a residence hall assignment are quite good.

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