

St. Bonaventure University On-Campus Housing Residency Policy and Requirements

As of fall 2016, all St. Bonaventure University students (including transfer students) are required to live on campus throughout their freshman, sophomore and junior years except as noted below. The terms freshman, sophomore, junior and senior are defined by credit hour as outlined in the University Catalog. The Residence Hall and Food Service Terms and Conditions are binding for both fall and spring semesters of that academic year. Therefore, a student's residency requirement for the entire academic year is determined by that student's status at the beginning of that academic year. As part of the Residence Hall and Food Service Terms and Conditions, undergraduate students living in dormitory style housing (Doyle, Devereux, Robinson, Falconio, Shay, Loughlen or Francis halls) are required to have either a silver, gold or platinum meal plan. Only students with full-time, matriculating status at the beginning of each semester are permitted to live in on-campus residence halls. Should a student fall below full-time status during the semester, he or she will not be required to move out provided they are still enrolled in and attending courses.

Exceptions to this housing residency requirement include:

1. Students commuting from home/primary residence of parent or legal guardian, when home address is within 30 miles of St. Bonaventure University.
2. Married students or students with dependent children.
3. Students age 23 years or older at the start of the academic year.
4. Students whose Residence Hall and Food Service contract is terminated by the University (see "Termination by the University" in most current Residence Hall and Food Service Terms and Conditions).
5. Students who are restricted from living on campus as a result of a judicial hearing sanction.

Students wishing to request an exception to this policy for extenuating reasons not covered above must complete the [Housing Residency Exception Request Form](#) and submit it to the vice president for Student Affairs for consideration.

Students to whom the above exceptions do not apply, or who do not receive permission from the vice president, and do not participate in the room selection process, will be assigned a room after room selection, and billed for room and meal plan.

This policy is predicated on research statistics demonstrating that students who live in residence halls tend to perform better academically, acclimate more rapidly to the collegiate environment, become involved in a greater number of learning experiences that complement classroom teachings, and are more satisfied in general with the college experience.