

# **Incoming Student Housing**

Step-by-Step User Guide Welcome Home. It's Good Here.

# **Getting Started**

In order to move forward, you must be able to access your Wittenberg email and the Admission Portal





Contact Admissions admission@wittenberg.edu

Able to access your Wittenberg email. Able to access the Admission Portal.



Great! Continue to the next slide



# Understanding Residency Requirements

As a residential campus, Wittenberg expects all full-time students to live in university owned housing.

Common Exemptions:

- 1. Commuting from the principal residence of their parent/legal guardian that is within a 30 mile driving distance
- 2. Living in a recognized Greek chapter house
- 3. Filling an RA position for the coming academic year
- 4. Studying abroad for the upcoming fall term

Exemption from the residency requirement is not automatic and requires prior approval. To be considered for exemption, you must submit the Housing Release Request form. Do not make plans until you receive the Residence Life decision regarding your release request.

Students who apply for exemption with inaccurate information (e.g. a student who indicates they will be commuting from parent/legal guardian primary residence but is instead renting from a private landlord in town) will be charged through the student conduct system and can be held responsible the standard double room rate.

### **The Basic Process**

### **Incoming Student Housing Intention**

Complete the Incoming Student Housing Intention to let us know if you plan to live in campus housing or are seeking housing release

- Log into the Admission Portal
- Log into the Housing System with your Wittenberg email and password
- Click on "Forms and Applications"
- Click the "Incoming Student Housing Intention" link

### Not planning to live in campus housing

- Review the Residency Requirement
- Complete the Housing Release Form

### That's All for Now!

• Watch your Wittenberg email for further instructions



### Planning to live in campus housing

Proceed to Housing Agreement and Survey



### **Complete Housing Agreement and Housing Survey (same form)**

- Log into the Wittenberg Housing System
- Click on "Forms and Applications"
- Click the "Incoming Student Housing Agreement and Survey" link
- Sign the Housing Agreement
- Complete the Housing Survey
- Rank your placements

### Later. . .

- April / May: Roommate Matching & Requests
- June: Housing Placements
- June / July: Meal Plan Selection

Watch your Wittenberg Email for further instructions



Now that you have the basics . . .

Continue to the next slide and we will walk you through the process.

### **Incoming Student Housing Intention and Agreement**

### Step 1

Log into the Housing Portal with your Wittenberg email and password (via MyWitt or housing.wittenberg.edu)

#### Step 2

Click on "Forms & Applications"

#### Step 3

Complete the Housing Intention Click on "Incoming Student Housing Intention" Complete the housing intention Once completed, the Housing Agreement will be available under "Forms & Applications"

### Step 4

Review and Sign your Housing Agreement Once the Housing Intent is completed, the "Housing Agreement" will be available under "Forms & Applications" A pdf copy will be emailed to you afterwards.

#### Step 5

Review the option for Renter's Insurance & make your selection GradGuard is not required, just an option. All students should sure they have coverage for personal property.

Once you complete the GradGuard section, click "Return to Application" to be directed back to the Housing Site.



#### Step 6

Complete your vaccination disclosure and housing survey questions If you don't remember the specifics about your vaccinations, provide as much accurate information as you can or ask a parent/guardian. Vaccinations are not required, so please put a "0" on the "year received line" for any vaccines not received; otherwise you won't be able to complete the form.

#### Step 7

**Preference your Housing** 

Review the following slides as well as the Residence Life site for more information If you have specific questions, email housing@ wittenberg.edu

#### Step 8

#### Press complete. You have now completed your housing agreement and survey! A pdf copy will be emailed to you. If you have not completed the process, you will not receive this email.

\*Further instructions for steps 3-7 can be found in upcoming slides

## Step 3: Sign Your Housing Intention



## Step 4: Sign Your Housing Agreement



### Step 5: Renter's Insurance

Review the option for Renter's Insurance & make your selection. GradGuard is not required, just an option. All students should sure they have coverage for personal property.

Once you complete the GradGuard section, click "Return to Application" to be directed back to the Housing Site Recommended: GradGuard<sup>™</sup> College Renters Insurance



#### What if you had to replace it all tomorrow?



As noted in your housing agreement, Wittenberg University does not assume any financial responsibility for the personal property of students. We strongly recommend that all students obtain renters insurance prior to move in. Here are some scenarios in which renters insurance can help:

Mou leave your laptop in the library unattended as you grab lunch, to later find that it was stolen.

log You return to the residence halls after class, to find that someone accidentally caused a fire on your floor and the smoke ruined all of your clothes, books and bedding.

😵 You accidentally hang your clothes on the sprinkler head. Water damage destroys your stuff and the belongings of other residents on your floor.

We have partnered with GradGuard, which offers a College Renters Insurance Plan that is specifically designed for students. For about \$13 per month, GradGuard can protect you in the scenarios listed above and more.

You have previously indicated that you are not interested in GradGuard Renters Insurance. Please continue with the application OR try again.

#### I am interested in enrolling in the GradGuard College Renters Insurance plan!

I decline coverage and do not wish to receive Renters Insurance protection. By checking this box, I understand that I am accepting full responsibility for my personal property and that damages caused by myself to others property (including the school's) will not be covered by Wittenberg University or GradGuard.

\*By indicating your interest in the GradGuard program, you are permitting your higher education institution to share your name and email address with GradGuard. Renters Insurance is underwritten by Markel American Insurance Company, Waukesha, WI. Claims and coverage subject to policy, language, limits and exclusions. GradGuard<sup>~</sup> is a service of Next Generation Insurance Group, LLC, the licensed insurance agency for Markel Insurance Company.

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## Step 6: Vaccination Disclosure & Living Preferences



## Step 7: Rank Your Hall Selections



### Tips:

- Rank as many choices as you can. It is better for you to rank them all, than to get randomly assigned.
- Even if you really, really want a certain hall, don't put it on your list more than once. It doesn't help.
- Ranking fewer choices does not help you get placed in those options; it only increases the risk of getting a random assignment.
- Interested in a Themed Living Community? Visit wittenberg.edu/reslife to complete the application and increase the likelihood of placement into the TLC.

### **Error Messages:**

- "You have already entered a value for this request!" Check your numbering. This normally means you already used that number and need to select the next one in the sequence.
- "You have entered a Choice # that is too high!" Check your numbering. Typically this is a result of skipping a number in the sequence, for example jumping from 2 to 4.

# Step 7: Hall Selection

Credit Requirements	Housing Type	Furnished	Utilities	Cable / WiFi	Laundry Locations	Central Air	Elevator Access
None	Ferncliff Hall	Yes	Yes	Yes	1st floor	No	Freight only
	Firestine Hall	Yes	Yes	Yes	1st floor	Yes	Yes
	Myers Hall	Yes	Yes	Yes	basement	No	No
	*New Hall	Yes	Yes	Yes	each floor	Yes	Yes
	<u>*Tower Hall</u>	Yes	Yes	Yes	basement	Yes	Yes
	<u>Woodlawn Hall</u>	Yes	Yes	Yes	each floor	No	No
60 or more credit hours completed	Witten'Burbs: Faculty Court	No	Yes	No	hook-ups available	Yes	No
	Sprecher and Keller	Yes	Yes	Yes	central	Yes	No
	Witten'Burbs Houses and Apartments	No	Yes	No	availability of hook-ups vary by property	Varied	No

\* See next slide for Theme Living Community (TLC) options

# **Themed Living Communities**

### Tiger Pride Location: New Hall 1st Floor

Although Gender Inclusive is available throughout campus, Tiger Pride is designed to be an intentional space welcoming to all gender identities and to foster a safe and respectful community regardless of sex, gender, gender identity or sexual orientation.

### **Ubuntu** Location: Tower 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Floors

Using the concepts of Ubuntu, *I am because we are*, Ubuntu Housing was created as an intentional place of housing for students interested in celebrating diversity and inclusion, specifically Black culture. The community aim is to create a focus of empowerment, inclusion, and success.

### **Tiger Life** Location: Tower 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Floors

Designed for students wishing to live in a community that promotes healthy living, both physically and mentally. Students in this community pledge to live in ways that honor their physical and mental health needs, including abstaining from substance (alcohol/drug) use.

### **Eco-Living** Location: Tower Hall 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Floors, 'Burbs

Eco-Living is an earth-friendly housing alternative that serves as housing for students trying to live a green-conscious lifestyle. Designed for students who want to live in an ecologically-friendly way, including: energy conservation efforts, reducing waste, composting, growing and maintaining a garden, and participation in sustainability efforts on campus.

### InterFaith Location: Tower Hall 8<sup>th</sup> and 9th Floors, 'Burbs

Designed to be a diverse and welcoming community for students of all faith practices to experience interfaith conversation and reflection as they explore their own faith journeys. All beliefs and faiths are welcome.

### Honors Location: Tower 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Floors

Designed to promote living in a way that is conducive to academic focus and success. Participation in the Honors Program is highly encouraged by all community members. Restricted to students who have at least a 3.5 GPA.

## Room & Board Rates

Available to	e to 2021-2022 Room Rates (per student)		Academic Year
Students with $\leq$ 59 credit hours	Residence Hall Rooms: Super Single / Single / Traditional Double	\$2,820	\$5,640
Studente with > 60 gradit bourg	Witten'Burbs: Houses / Apartments / Townhouses	\$3,750	\$7,500
Students with 2 60 credit hours	Witten'Burbs: Keller / Sprecher	\$4,250	\$8,500

Availability	2021-2022 Board (Meal) Rates (per student)		Academic Year
	Carte Blanche (Unlimited Meals) and \$100 Bonus Dollars/semester		\$5,406
All students	200 Flex Meal and \$100 Bonus Dollars/semester	\$2,150	\$4,300
Only Students <b>not</b> living	100 Flex Meal and \$200 Bonus Dollars/semester	\$1,650	\$3,300
in a residence hall	50 Flex Plan and \$200 Bonus Dollars/semester	\$1,050	\$2,100

All residence hall students are required to carry either the Carte Blanche or the 200 Flex.

Although not required, all other students can select from any of the meal plan options.

Watch your Wittenberg email for information about selecting a meal plan.

# **Still Have Questions?**

We understand this can be an exciting and yet unfamiliar process, but Residence Life will be standing by ready to answer any questions you might have.

Email: housing@wittenberg.eduPhone: 937-327-7800Web: www.wittenberg.edu/reslife



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