

Northwestern University Residential Services Fall 2025/Winter 2026/Spring 2026 Undergraduate Contract Terms & Conditions

The Residential Services Housing Contract ("Contract") establishes an agreement between Northwestern University ("University") and the student ("Student") for use of assigned space and facilities of a residence for and in consideration of the keeping and performing by Student of all understandings, agreements, terms and conditions of obligation enumerated herein.

The Contract does not guarantee assignment to a particular type of accommodation (room or apartment) or assignment to any prease may be, will be made to the Student. Facilities may vary slightly from descoiptions indufed chures rooms or apartments. No discounts in rental rates will be made for such variations.

The terms, conditions, and responsibilities are stated below:

1.0 CONTRACT DATES: I understand that the term of this contract is for 2025-2026 Northwestern University academic year (Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters, excluding Summer quarter and Winter Recess), effective as of the signature date of this contract. I agree to vacate my room within 24-hours of my last final examination in June, or if I am graduating, I agree to vacate my room by 12:00PM on the Tuesday following Commencement. I understand that unless formally released from this contract by the Assistant Vice President (see Housing Cancellation) I am responsible for the room rental charges and any applicable fees.

- 2.0 MEAL PLAN: I understand that I am also required, as a condition of living in on-campus student housing, to purchase an on-campus board (meal) plan. The default board plan (Open Access) is provided as part of the residence and board contract. Additional information on the mandatory board (meal) plan is available at <a href="https://www.dining.northwestern.edu">www.dining.northwestern.edu</a> or (847) 491-2020.
- 3.0 STUDENT STATUS: I understand that to be eligible for residence, I must be enrolled at Northwestern University as a full-time degree candidate; and that if such enrollment is terminated for any reason, I am no longer eligible for residence on the premises. In that event, I am responsible to advise the Department of Residential Services immediately of such change in status, and I agree to vacate my room within 24 hours of such termination. I agree that if my status changes to "underenrolled" I am permitted to continue to live on campus for one quarter; if my status is "underenrolled" for two consecutive quarters, I am not eligible for on campus housing upon my status changing in the second consecutive quarter. I agree that I will not occupy nor reside in any space other than my assigned room except that I may have customary use of the common areas. I understand that this contract is not assignable, that subletting is not allowed, and that only the persons assigned by the Department of Residential Services may reside in my room at any time. I further agree that I may have one overnight guest staying in my room for no more than three consecutive nights and up to seven nights total per quarter. All roommates/suitemates must approve of guests. I further agree that I will not unreasonably interfere with my roommates' or any other resident's rights under similar residence hall contract.
- 4.0 BUSINESS USE: I understand that I may not use my residence hall room or any University housing facilities for commercial or business purposes. This includes, but is not limited to, use of phone, assigned bedspace or available community lounge, study or kitchen spaces, WiFi, data, and cable TV lines, as well as voicemail and mailboxes to conduct or carry out any commercial business.
- ANIMALS: I understand that, unless specifically authorized by the Assistant Vice President or designee, or as otherwise allowed by law, no animal of any kind is permitted in the residence hall at any time; I agree that I will not bring in or keep any animal in any area of the residence hall and that I will not permit any guest or visitor of mine to do so.

6.0	SOCIAL DUES: Social dues are optional, becoming due and payable unless the resident takes appropriate action to opt out of such charges

- or Act of God affecting me or the demised premises or any resident therein; b) Theft or burglary in or about the premises; c) Fire, water, flood, rain, frost, snow, gas odors or fumes from any source whatever; d) Any injury to any person or damage to any property not caused by the University's direct negligence; (e) Any injury, damage or theft incurred during the use of the residential fitness center.
- 14.0 SURRENDER OF THE PREMISES: At the expiration or other termination of this contract, I shall surrender possession of the unit and shall return all keys to the unit to the University's designated agent. Failure to do so will constitute a default of this contract as set forth in Section 15 and subject me to an obligation to pay the liquidated damages sum set forth in Section 15 for each day I continue to occupy the unit.
- 15.0 DEFAULT: I shall be considered in default of this contract in the event I am in violation of any term or condition hereof, including but not limited to payment of room charges as provided herein. In the event of such default, the University may, at its sole option, (a) re-enter and repossess the premises, or (b) require me to vacate the same within 30 days following written notice of default. The University may charge to my

concerns related to COVID-19, and that this may include (but is not limited to) requiring me to vacate my building on short notice, move rooms, and/or change housing plans.

- 18.0 COURSE REGISTRATION. Until all sums due and owing under this contract are fully paid, I understand that I may not register for future course work in the University or receive transcripts, diplomas, or degrees.
- 19.0 CONTRACT ENFORCEABILITY. Should any part of this Contract be held invalid or unenforceable or contrary to law, that portion will be construed consistent with applicable law and the remaining portions will remain in full force and effect.
- 20.0 CONTRACT CANCELLATION. Students may request to cancel their housing contract for reasons outlined on the <u>Housing Cancellation</u> page on the NU Residential Services website. Submitting a cancellation request is not an automatic release from your contract, nor does it guarantee that you will be released from your housing contract. Each release request is reviewed on a case-by-case basis. If approved you may be responsible for a \$300 cancellation fee and part/all of the contracted rate.
- 21.0 HEADINGS: The headings contained in this Contract are for convenience only and shall not be interpreted to limit or otherwise affect the provisions of this Agreement.
- 22.0 PHOTO RELEASE: The student grants to Universityapoies 222 is (iao) n 150070015 i i i504(e) 7.8 () 10.6 (6.2.2 1 w 6 be) 7.8 i OC hr (e) -3 (eo) -6

## Minor Students in the Residence Halls Contract Addendum (Minors: Students under the age of 18 years old)

The purpose of this contract addendum is to make certain that all minor students and their parent/guardian have a clear understanding of the implications of having a minor student live on campus at Northwestern University. It is important that all involved