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RESIDENTIAL LIVING AND YOUR HOUSING CONTRACT



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LIVING ON CAMPUS

Living on campus is integral to the Christopher Newport experience. We place great value in providing a residential living and learning environment that supports your academic journey in the liberal arts and sciences. To help you succeed, we have a three-year residency requirement. All first-, second- and third-year students must live on campus unless they live with a parent or legal guardian in one of these areas: Newport News, Hampton, Poquoson, Yorktown, Seaford, Tabb or Grafton*.

Over the next few minutes you will learn more about Christopher Newport residential living and then complete your housing contract through the Housing Module.

*If you fall into this category, you are still required to submit important information in the Housing Contract to follow. You will also be prompted to complete the Request for Exemption From University Residency Requirement Form, which **MUST** be submitted.
Note: Submission of this form and proper documentation does **NOT** guarantee exemption from the University's housing requirement.

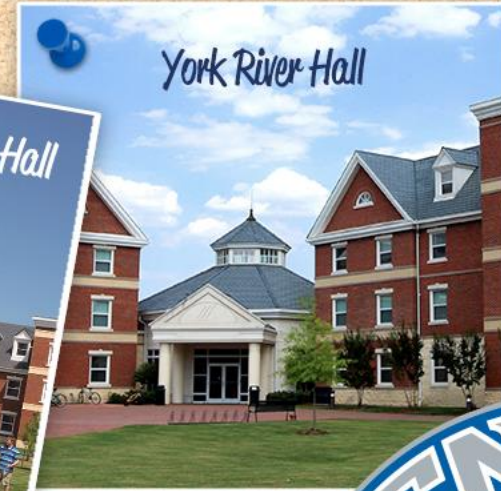
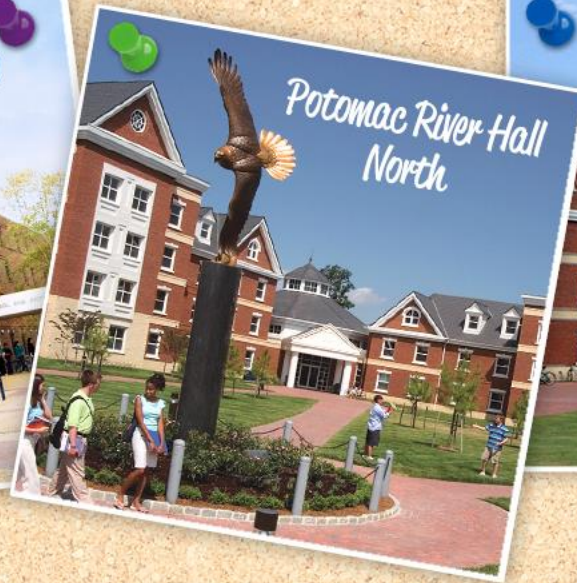
COMMUNITY LIVING

Living away from home and sharing a room with one or two other students will be a new experience for most of our students. We have several resources to help with this transition. All students are expected to uphold the rules and regulations listed in the *Residence Life Handbook* as well as in the Student Code of Conduct.

We encourage you to think about your current living environment and habits so you can communicate effectively with your room and hall mates. Consider the impact you may have on others as well as how you may respond to someone who has different preferences.



WHERE YOU WILL LIVE



First-year students are assigned to either a two- or three-person room in [Santoro Hall](#), [Potomac River Hall North](#) or [York River Hall](#).

Christopher Newport's first-year residence halls feature suite-style living with two bedrooms sharing a bathroom. Your room will come furnished with a bed, desk and chair, and dresser, and/or closet space for each student in the space. Room specifications and other details about our residence halls can be found online at housing.cnu.edu, a great resource when you receive your housing assignment in early August.

WHO YOU'LL LIVE WITH

Please consult the information below to help create a residential experience that best fits you.

Roommate Preference

- While the thought of rooming with friends from high school may be comforting, we encourage you to be open to a new roommate experience. You can broaden your campus network and expand your perspective when you meet and interact with different people.
- You may preference your roommate, and we will do our best to match all mutual requests, but please note that our curriculum takes priority.
- Roommate preferences must be received before May 6, 2019.

Learning Communities

- Students live with or in close proximity to students sharing the same Learning Community theme.
- You gave preference to three learning community themes in the academic module of the admitted student system.



RESIDENTIAL RESOURCES

- **Resident Assistants (RAs)** are community builders who live in designated areas of each residence hall on campus. They are full-time students trained to help with most situations that may arise for residents. RAs will help you with the transition from living at home to living at CNU, so be sure to connect with yours once you receive your room assignment.
- **Roommate Agreements** are a way for new roommates to discuss their habits and living preferences. Begin to consider how you like to study, your sleep schedule, how tidy you want to keep your room, if you want to share your belongings, and your comfort level with in-room guests. These are all topics you will need to communicate about with your new roommate.



PLANNING AHEAD

- While no one likes to think about worst-case scenarios, we encourage each resident to give some thought to how he or she might handle an emergency should it arise. Review health insurance coverage options, discuss general self-care in the case of illness, create contingency plans for weather-related emergencies that could result in evacuation (i.e., hurricane), and consider who should be involved in assisting should an emergency arise.
- Consider purchasing individual renter's insurance, as the University does not offer any liability coverage for students' personal belongings.
- Be prepared to complete emergency contact information the week before you arrive to campus. That information will be used by the Residence Life staff in case of emergency response needs.



What if I need special housing accommodations due to a disability?

- Reasonable accommodations are considered for qualified individuals with disabilities. In order to receive an accommodation, the disability must be on record with the Office of Student Affairs.

Am I guaranteed to live with the roommate I preference?

- We will do our best to match all mutual requests, but please note that our curriculum takes priority.

When do halls open and close?

- Freshman residence halls remain open during fall break (October) but close for Thanksgiving, winter break and spring break. All residents must leave when the halls are closed.

Where can I find more information about living on campus?

- More information and additional resources for living on campus can be found either at reslife.cnu.edu or housing.cnu.edu.

TIMELINE



NOW:
Complete Housing
Contract Module.

JULY:
Receive your housing
assignment and
roommate information
from Housing
Administration
by the end of
the month.

AUGUST 17 & 18:

First year residents move in!
Welcome Week begins the
evening of the 18th and lasts
all week. August 26 marks
the first day of classes.





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