

New Pioneer **HOUSING SELECTION**

2026-2027



Office of Student Living

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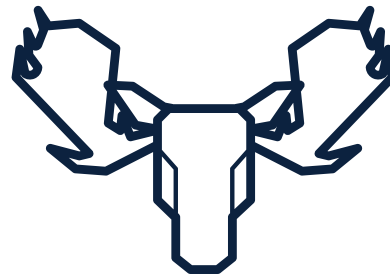
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FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

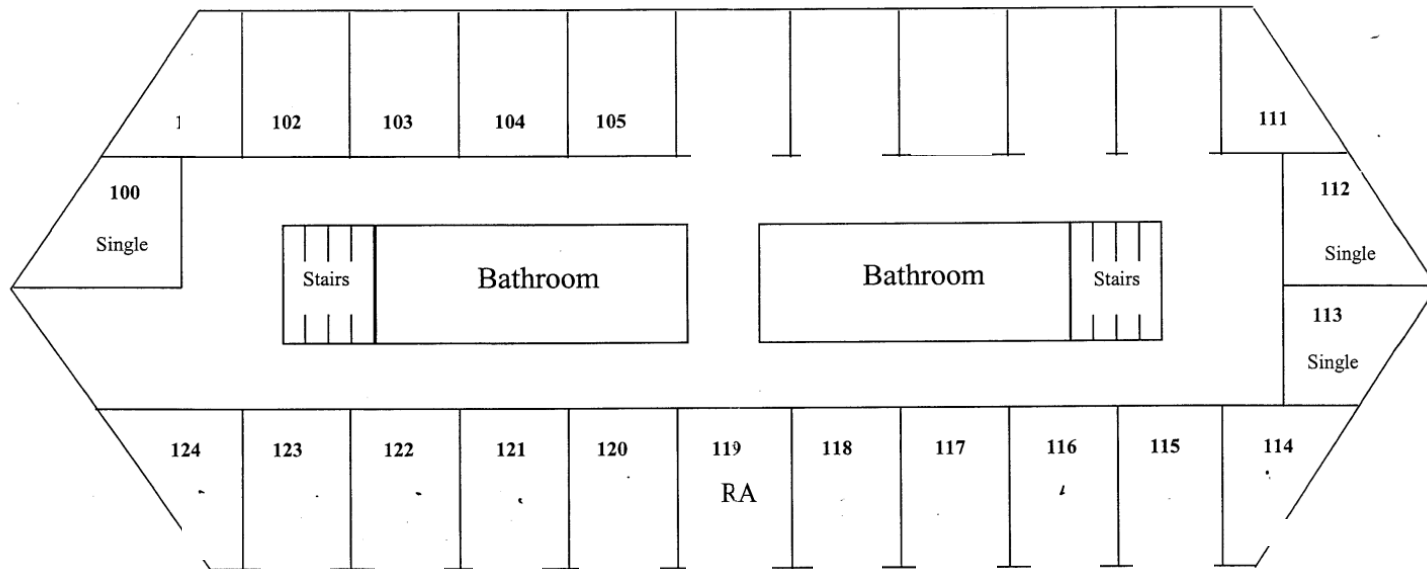
RESIDENCE HALL OVERVIEW

Incoming First-Year students can expect to be assigned to one of our traditional corridor-style buildings: North Hall or South Hall.

Both North and South Halls come equipped with:
Double-occupancy Bedrooms, Communal Kitchen Facilities, Lounge(s), Recreation Rooms, High-Tech Group Study Room, Communal Restrooms, Communal Laundry

Please note: First-year students are not assigned into single occupancy rooms unless a medical accommodation is required.

NORTH/SOUTH HALL



EXAMPLE FLOOR PLAN

NORTH/SOUTH HALL

Example Room



Projected
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PROJECTED ROOM RATES

The rates provided are based on a per-student, per-semester basis for the 2025-2026 academic year. For the upcoming 2026-2027 year, the rates will remain comparable, with a slight increase to account for inflation.

Single Rooms		Double Rooms	
North/South Hall Single	\$4,232	North/South Hall Double	\$3,769

PROJECTED MEAL PLAN RATES

The rates provided are based on a per-student, per-semester basis for the 2025-2026 academic year. For the upcoming 2026-2027 year, the rates will remain comparable, with a slight increase to account for inflation.

Platinum Plan	Unlimited meals in the Dining Commons, \$250 in Declining Balance + 5 guest meal passes per semester. All Residential Students are eligible to purchase this plan.	\$4,675
Gold Plan	Unlimited meals in the Dining Commons, plus \$150 in Declining Balance + 5 guest meal passes per semester. All Residential Students are eligible to purchase this plan.	\$4,575

**THE 2026 - 2027 HOUSING
CONTRACT WILL OPEN ON
FEBRUARY 1, 2026**

Step by Step

INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1

Complete the On-Campus Housing Contract and Compatibility/Pref Form

- Housing contract will open on February 1
- All new students applying for on-campus housing must complete the On-Campus Housing Contract by June 1, 2026 at 12:01 AM.
- This contract can be found online [here](#).
- The Compatibility/Preferences Form will become available after you complete the On-Campus Housing Contract but can be found [here](#) as well. This form assists our office in coordinating match-ups with roommates, completing suites, or in case of mid-year vacancies.

STEP 2

Apply for Medical Accommodations

- Any student who believes they need a housing accommodation due to significant, documented medical disability, including short-term injuries, should contact the Office of Learning Services no later than June 1, 2026 at 5 PM with their request.
- All requests will require documentation from a physician or other medical provider and will be reviewed by the Housing Accommodations Committee.
- Email Judy Borner <jcborner@utica.edu> to start this process.

STEP 3

Create your MooseMatch Profile

- Create your profile and browse for other students who are looking for a roommate and/or to submit a roommate request(s).
- If you already know who you want to live with you **must** request that person through MooseMatch!
- Please note: these requests cannot be guaranteed depending on space availability but the Assistant Director of Housing Operations will work to try and accommodate as many new student roommate requests as possible.
- MooseMatch Chat opens March 15, 2026.

STEP 4

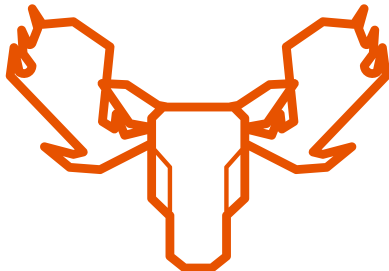
Complete the Roommate Match

- Starting May 1, incoming first-year students may use MooseMatch to confirm your roommate for the fall.
- Both individuals need to select and confirm each other for the roommate pairing to be confirmed.
- MooseMatch requests are due by June 1, 2026.
- First-year students may not email requests. They must apply via MooseMatch.
- Please note: Athletes are not guaranteed housing with a teammate. Coaches often suggest teammates live together, but students must formally request each other via MooseMatch or email (transfer, graduate, or international)

STEP 5

Receive Your Housing Information

- The Office of Student Living and Campus Engagement will begin distributing room assignments on July 6, 2026.
- Contracts received late will be processed on a rolling basis based on availability.



Housing Selection TIMELINE

1	Complete On-Campus Housing Contract	February 1 through June 1*
2	Complete Roommate Compatibility & Preferences Form	February 1 through June 1
3	Create MooseMatch Profile (New First Years)	March 15 - June 1
4	Submit Roommate Match	May 1 - June 1
5	Receive Housing Information	July 6

**While contracts can be submitted after June 1, this will limit roommate options.*

Late contracts may also result in housing assignment information being delayed.

Frequently Asked

QUESTIONS

WHAT IS THE ON-CAMPUS HOUSING CONTRACT?

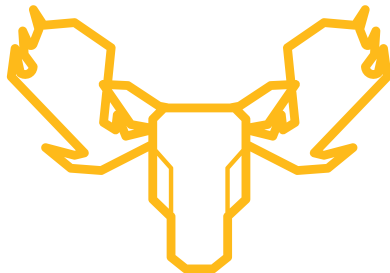
- The On-Campus Housing Contract is a binding year-long contract between the student and the University.
- The agreement outlines your rights and responsibilities as a residential student as well as several procedures expected of you by the Office of Student Living & Campus Engagement.
- When you sign the Housing Contract before selection day, you are committed to living in the residence halls until the end of the academic year that you are signing the agreement.
- In the case of unusual or extenuating medical or financial circumstances, requests for early termination of the housing agreement can be submitted through the proper forms on our website.

DOES UTICA HAVE A HOUSING REQUIREMENT?

- All students are required to live in a Utica University residence hall for the first two years of attending Utica University.
- At the discretion of the University, certain situations (as outlined on the next page), may result in a student being granted an exemption from the two-year residency requirement or release from their current, active On-Campus Housing Contract.
- Students who choose not to participate in Housing Selection, but fall under the requirement, will be placed in campus housing where space is available.
 - These assignments will be made after the traditional selection process and students will be responsible for the room and board charges associated with this assignment.

ARE THERE EXCEPTIONS TO THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT?

- In certain circumstances, students may be eligible for an exemption from the two-year residence requirement. The granting of such exemptions is subject to review and approval by the University. The process for seeking an exemption can be found on the Utica University Student Living website. Residency Exemptions may be submitted up until the start of the academic semester.
- The Residency Exemption Application is available [here](#).



Potential rationales for approved Residency Exemptions include:

- The Student's intended house is within a 30-mile driving distance of campus AND
 - The Student is residing with their parents/legal guardians, AND/OR spouse documented by marriage AND/OR domestic partnership, AND/OR a declared dependent, AND/OR an approved relative who will act as the designated guardian during their attendance at the University.
- The Student is a transfer student who has completed two or more years as a full-time, matriculated student at another institution or in conjunction with their time at Utica University and another institution.
- The Student will be 21 years of age by August 1 (applicable during the summer prior to the first day of classes for the fall term for incoming first-year or transfer students only)
- The Student is an active or military veteran
- The Student has acquired significant life experiences that align with the unique experiences of the aforementioned exemptions. This may include individuals who have participated in long-term community service programs (e.g. Peace Corps, AmeriCorps), traveled extensively with organized groups or teams, or engaged in similar life-enriching experiences.

WHAT IS MOOSEMATCH?

- MooseMatch is our online roommate finder for incoming first-year students! You can login and create a profile and then you can search for people with similar qualities to find someone who may be a good match. From there, you can chat in the chat feature and identify if you want to be roommates.
- **Please note:** If you already know who you want to live with you both must create a MooseMatch account and request each other!

MooseMatch Account Profile

Screen Name *

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Personal Information

The following will **NOT** be displayed on your profile.

Name

Email Address

Messages sent to you through MooseMatch's messaging interface will be delivered to this email address. The sender will not see your email address unless you reply to their message.

Roommate Search

Search for students that match the following criteria:

Gender

☒ No preference ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Another Gender

Student Type

☒ No preference ☐ First Year Student ☐ First Year Transfer Student ☐ Upper-Class Transfer Student

Smokes

☒ No preference ☐ I am a smoker ☐ I am not a smoker ☐ I am not a smoker but would be okay living with a smoker

Drinks Alcohol

☒ No preference ☐ I drink alcohol ☐ I do not drink alcohol ☐ I do not drink alcohol but would be okay living with someone who drinks alcohol

Bedtime

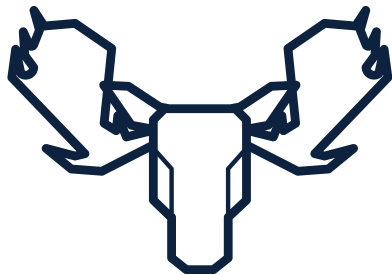
☒ No preference ☐ I go to bed early (before 11pm) ☐ I go to bed late (after 11pm) ☐ Bedtime varies

Wake Up Time

☒ No preference ☐ I wake up early (before 9am) ☐ I wake up late (after 9am) ☐ Wake up time varies

WHAT DO I DO IF I KNOW WHO I WANT TO LIVE WITH?

- Incoming First-Year students who know who they wish to live with must request and confirm their match on Moose Match. We do not accept email requests from our incoming first-year students.
- Remember, it's essential for all parties involved to agree to the living arrangement.

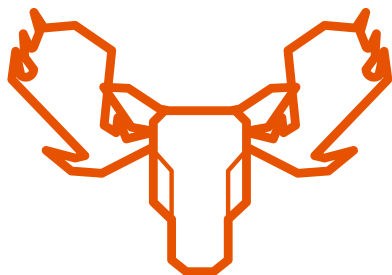


WHAT IF I DO NOT REQUEST A ROOMMATE?

- Our office will do our best to match new students up based on the responses they provide on the Compatibility/Preferences Form.
- The Assistant Director of Housing Operations works hard to find suitable roommate(s) based on the information provided, but students are encouraged to be very honest in their Compatibility/Preferences form to assist this process.
- Our goal is to create a living environment where each student feels comfortable and supported. By being open and honest in your responses on the Compatibility/Preferences Form, you are helping us ensure that we can pair you with roommate(s) who share similar lifestyles and preferences.
- Your input is valuable in making your living experience as enjoyable as possible.

WHAT IF I MISS THE DEADLINE?

- It's important to note that even if you miss the deadline to submit your On-Campus Housing Contract, you can still fill out the form and be assigned housing.
- While we may not be able to fulfill late roommate requests, our team will do their best to pair you with a roommate who shares similar interests and habits to ensure a positive living experience for both of you.
- Your comfort and well-being are our priorities, and we are here to support you every step of the way.



WHAT IF WE WANT TO START THINKING ABOUT WHAT TO PACK FOR COLLEGE?

- When preparing for your move, it's essential to have a well-thought-out packing plan. By visiting our [Move In and Important Dates page](#), you will find a comprehensive packing guide to assist you every step of the way.
- Furthermore, as you plan for the upcoming semester take a look at the academic year's breaks. Using this page as a resource is a great idea to take a closer look at the schedule. This proactive approach will help you stay organized and prepared for any upcoming transitions or travel plans.

WHAT DO I DO IF I BELIEVE I NEED A HOUSING ACCOMMODATION?

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WHAT IF I HAVE A QUESTION THIS DOCUMENT DIDN'T ANSWER?

- Our staff are happy to help answer questions about housing selection, move in, orientation, and living on campus. You may email the office at <studentliving@utica.edu>
- Throughout the summer you will also be invited to SupportingU virtual Q&A sessions where staff will cover various topics including but not limited to move-in, financial aid, on-campus employment, orientation, etc.
- Additionally, if you feel like you do better in a conversation, or if a parent/guardian wants to chat, you can call our office at 315-792-3298.
- Your comfort and understanding are our top priorities, and we want to ensure that your transition to campus life is as smooth and stress-free as possible. Feel free to reach out at any time; we're here to support you every step of the way.

Key Links

[PACKING GUIDE &
MOVE-IN
INFORMATION](#)

[RESIDENCE HALL
\(BUILDING\)
INFORMATION](#)

[EMAIL STUDENT LIVING
FOR ASSISTANCE](#)

Where Will



Call Home?