

Residence Life & Meal Plans



Welcome to the Southwestern University community! We are a residential campus, which means learning while living together is an integral part of the *Southwestern Experience*. We believe, and research has shown, that students who live on campus enjoy greater academic success. On-campus living empowers our students to engage in learning experiences not only in the classroom but also in the residence halls and through social life on campus.

Southwestern's *Residential Experience*, guided by Mosaic*, encourages students to be active and engaged community members. By living on campus, you will have the opportunity to develop lifelong friendships, as well as important skills such as responsible decision-making, problem-solving, and teamwork.

CHOOSE YOUR RESIDENCE HALL AND YOUR ROOMMATE

First-year students have the option of living in mixed gender residence halls (Mabee and Brown-Cody halls) or single-gender residence halls (Clark for women and Ruter for men). You can learn more about all of Southwestern's residence halls by visiting southwestern.edu/housing.

To start the housing assignment process, you will need to complete the housing registration form, via the Housing Director: <https://tinyurl.com/SUPirateHousing>. The registration form is where you will document your living style, your values, and note any hall preferences. **Hall/room preferences can not be guaranteed.** The priority date to complete your housing registration form is June 1, 2023.

You will receive an email confirmation of your housing assignment, roommate pairing, and meal plan assignment in late July.

ON-CAMPUS RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

Students who have had fewer than four full-time semesters or less than 48 combined hours in college are required to live on campus. Many students choose to continue living on-campus throughout their entire Southwestern experience, and our residency requirement provides support and countless developmental opportunities that may make all the difference to a student's path toward success, both on our campus and beyond. Incoming students must be at least 17 years of age at the time of initial occupancy to live in University housing. Military veterans and students who are 22 years of age or older, married, or have children are exempt from the residency requirement.

**Mosaic is Southwestern's co-curricular approach that encourages students to engage mindfully in experiences outside of the classroom, reflect on their experiences, and articulate the meaning and value of their experiences to others. Seeking to inspire and empower the Southwestern student to develop as a whole person, Mosaic uses five key areas of development. Mosaic supports learning wherever it takes place—which includes the spaces in which our students live.*