Residential Life - Gustavus Adolphus College 2024-2025 Housing Agreement

Parties to this agreement are Gustavus Adolphus College and the student. When submitted, this document becomes a legal and binding agreement and governs the conditions under which the college agrees to provide a space in a campus residential unit for the student who is party to this agreement.

Effective Period of the Agreement:

This agreement is binding for the full academic year (fall/spring) unless the student is involved in a full-time College-sponsored internship for credit, study abroad, student teaching program, or withdraws/transfers. It will become effective when submitted, when payment or other acceptable arrangements are made for all deposits and fees due as of that time, or when the student is placed in a space in one of the college's residential facilities. The agreement will be in effect until 24 hours after the student's last final examination during the spring semester or 6:00 PM the last day of final examinations (whichever comes first). Those involved in commencement, either as a graduating senior or other approved commencement participant, may stay until 6:00 PM the day of commencement.

College Break Times:

The college reserves the right to restrict access to residence hall spaces during designated break times. This includes Fall break, Thanksgiving break, Winter break, and Spring break each year. Temporary housing will be provided for those that have a requirement for campus housing over a break period, prior application and approval is required. All break housing and approvals are coordinated by the Department of Residential Life.

Termination of Agreement:

All students will be expected to fulfill the agreement unless it is terminated per stipulations in the agreement and in the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to the agreement. The agreement may be terminated under the following conditions:

- If a student cancels enrollment at Gustavus in writing prior to the first day of classes and prior to moving into a residence hall;
- If a student violates the terms of this agreement, college regulations, or local, state, or federal laws, under which circumstances the college reserves the right to cancel agreement with no refund of room payment;
- If the residency requirement is waived by the Director of Residential Life for extenuating circumstances (e.g. extreme financial hardship; significant medical accommodation; etc). All considerations for waiving the residency requirement will be determined at the discretion of the Director of Residential Life in consultation with appropriate administrators (e.g. Financial Aid; Vice President of Student Life; etc).
- If a resident student applies for and is granted off-campus permission through the housing selection process in the spring of each academic year.

Exceptions to Living on Campus:

Gustavus is a residential institution, requiring all students to live on campus throughout their time as enrolled students. The college reserves the right to limit off-campus housing approvals. Students who are seeking exemption to the college's residency requirement must follow Residential Life procedures to complete all appropriate paperwork. Exemptions are granted if one or more of the following criteria are met by the student::

- student who is married (documentation required);
- student living with and responsible for dependent child/children (documentation required);
- living in the St. Peter area with their parents/guardian (*within 15 miles from campus) before the first day of class in the Fall;
- part-time (below 2.0 credits) for the ENTIRE academic year;
- veterans of military service (documentation required: having been deployed and/or providing DD214 paperwork). Residential Life follows the college's definition that is also used for FAFSA requirements veterans include those who have completed active duty or have been deployed for reasons other than training). Those in ROTC, Reserves or basic training do not receive exemption.
- Student who is 23 years of age or older on/by the first day of class in the Fall;
- Student who is 21 years of age by the first day of fall semester class AND has not been enrolled full time at any institution of higher education during the immediate past two years; or
- home ownership (student name is sole name on mortgage) before the first day of class in the Fall (documentation required).
- Master of Athletic Training Program 3+2 student opting out of housing for 4th year at Gustavus (first year in the MAT) who has lived on campus for 3 years, applied (by November 15) and been accepted into the MAT program, and deposited by February 1. This will be confirmed by the MAT program. Failure to be deposited or complete the form by the deadline will result in a student no longer being eligible for the 3+2 housing exception.
- Master of Athletic Training Program 4+2 Post-Baccalaureate Applicant entering the program for a 2-year masters degree.

The student who is eligible to reside off-campus according to the aforementioned reasons and requests an exemption to college policy prior to the beginning of the agreement period must request to do so through the Residential Life office. Requests for policy exemptions based on the above criteria are not guaranteed and will be considered according to the following timetable: Exemption for entire academic year (fall semester + interim + spring semester) – request consideration by February 11, 2024

Rules and Regulations:

The Director of Residential Life will promulgate rules and regulations concerning conduct in the residence halls for safety and convenience of all residents and to clarify procedures for administration of the residence halls. The college anticipates full occupancy each semester. This agreement provides students a space in the residence halls but not for a specific room or roommate assignment. The college reserves the right to:

- Assign roommates unilaterally;
- Reassign students who are without roommates;

- Use a room or space within a room/suite/apartment when it is unoccupied;
- Reassign to different rooms or residence halls in the event such reassignments are determined necessary.

By signing this agreement, the student agrees to comply with all such rules and regulations. It is further understood and agreed that a copy of the Gustavus Adolphus College housing agreement has been made available online to all parties to this agreement. The student's submission of this agreement indicates that they have read, understood, and agreed to comply with all the provisions included in this agreement.