

Housing and Residence Life - Staff Member Roommate Agreement: Living with a Neighborhood Fellow or a Resident Assistant is a great opportunity and comes with responsibility. All students assigned into Neighborhood Fellow Houses and Resident Assistant apartments are a role model for living in community within the student neighborhood and the residential community. By living with a Neighborhood Fellow or Resident Assistant, students commit to supporting Housing and Residence Life Staff members, serving as a role model for others, and being an active participant in the community development of the district or living area.

Student will complete a Community Living Agreement with roommates both at the beginning of the year and if new roommates join the living space during the academic year. The Community Living Agreement will set standards for interactions, use of shared spaces, hosting people in the house or apartment (both for overnight and parties), and the responsibility each has to respect one another in the living environment. This agreement will be facilitated by a Residence Coordinator or Community/Area Coordinator.

Student understands that conflict can occur while living in community. Students commit to resolve conflicts that arise with roommates in a responsible manner. If unable to resolve the conflict, students will utilize the resources available: Community/Area Coordinator, Residence Coordinator, Campus Ministry, Counseling Center, and mediation services. *If at any point, a student feels uncomfortable in their assigned space, the student understands that the Community/Area Coordinator is a resource to discuss concerns.*

Students agree to follow all policies as outlined in the University Student Standards of Behavior and Code of Conduct. Students understand possession of alcohol under the legal drinking age, underage drinking, providing alcohol to minors, drinking games, abuse of alcohol, use of illegal substances, and destruction of property are against university policy and are not permitted to occur in the living space.

Students understand the responsibility to support their roommate as a Neighborhood Fellow or Resident Assistant and agree to maintain a safe environment within the house or apartment. Certain behaviors displayed in the student neighborhood and University community are threatening to the well-being of the community. If displayed at a house or in a living space, these behaviors can jeopardize the role of the Neighborhood Fellow or Resident Assistant.

- o Students recognize that the house is a role model for others and that the yard must be kept clean and free from litter and debris.
- o Students will abide by University protocols for trash and recycling removal.
- o Students agree to utilize safe and responsible hosting strategies at any gatherings held in the house or apartment and will discuss them with roommates prior to hosting.
- o Students understand that the house or apartment will be recognized as a place where other students will come for assistance. Students will call Public Safety when there is a concerning situation or someone has come to the house or apartment for assistance.

If the roommate is no longer a Neighborhood Fellow or Resident Assistant with the Department of Housing & Residence Life, it has the potential to affect a student's housing. Students will be offered a similar housing option should this occur. Housing & Residence Life will seek to minimize the disruption for all.