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Resident advisor Ashleigh Strange hangs out in her kitchen in the Cutler Complex apartment.

# Housing

# **Single Student Housing**

Your educational experience at UAF will be one of the great adventures of your life. The UAF Department of Residence Life can be a vital part of that adventure through programs designed to offer you a comfortable, energetic environment in which to live and learn. The community will foster close friendships and academic achievement, help you develop individual leadership ability and will provide opportunities for personal growth.

UAF's residence halls are some of the best in the state, and they are the only residence halls in the nation that boast a view of the Alaska Range and Denali (Mount McKinley), the highest peak in North America.

Residence Life offers living environments to meet every need. Options include coed buildings by floor, coed buildings by suites, small community atmospheres for rural Alaskans, apartment-style options, single rooms, alcoholfree environments and first-year experience halls. All single student residential units are pet and smoke free.

Residence hall students have the conveniences of home within walking distance to class. Benefits include:

- · cable television service
- optional local telephone service
- wireless and high-speed Ethernet connections
- laundry facilities on site
- trained staff on call (24 hours)
- more than 400 programs offered each year

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

All UAF students are eligible for campus housing, but students are not guaranteed housing until approved by the Department of Residence Life. To better manage occupancy, Residence Life may establish occupancy priorities and eligibility/credit hour requirements.

# **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Applications are available through admissions upon admittance to UAF, through Residence Life upon request or online at www.uaf.edu/reslife/. Applicants must send \$350 (\$315 deposit, \$35 non-refundable application fee) with the signed housing application. Upon acceptance, Residence Life will return a written confirmation and receipt to the student.

#### **COSTS**

On-campus costs are comparable to off-campus living costs. When amenities such as cable television, wireless and Ethernet computer connections, transportation and laundry facilities are added in, the on-campus costs are even more favorable. Residential fees (room and board) are due in full at fee payment along with all other fees.

Residence hall and board plan fees are listed on page 58. All room and board costs are subject to change. Students whose housing applications have been accepted will be given the opportunity to withdraw (less application fee) if rates increase after they apply. Contact Residence Life about residence hall fees. Questions about the board plan can be directed to UAF Dining Services at 907-474-6661.

## **CONSEQUENCES OF CANCELING A HOUSING CONTRACT**

After July 31, students who have submitted a housing application are expected to live on campus and pay appropriate housing fees for their reserved space. Students who fail to occupy their reserved space by the first day of classes or cancel their reserved space after July 31 will be assessed a minimum of 10 percent of the room rate and forfeit their deposit. Dining plans also carry cancellation consequences. Direct questions to UAF Dining Services at 907-474-6661.

On-campus housing applications are for the academic year. Students living on campus for the fall semester are obligated to live on campus for the remainder of the academic year, so long as they are UAF students. Exceptions may be granted for the conditions listed under the "termination/forfeits" section of the agreement.

Room charges and refunds are processed according to the following schedule:

TABLE 17 ROOM REFUND SCHEDULE	
Withdrawal Period	Refund Amount
Aug. 1 through class day 7	90 percent of semester housing charge
Class days 8 – 12	75 percent of semester housing charge
Class days 13 – 27	50 percent of semester housing charge
Class days 28 – 42	25 percent of semester housing charge
Beyond 42 class days	No refund will be issued

Deposits will be carried forward to subsequent academic years for students with applications. Deposits can be forfeited for several reasons. Please refer to the back of the residence hall application for specific details.

## **HALLS AND ROOMS**

Every residence hall has common areas — including recreation lounges, study lounges, small kitchens and laundry facilities — designed to foster academic and personal growth. Recreational lounges typically have televisions, couches, tables, chairs and pool tables or ping-pong tables. Hall kitchens generally include a range/oven, refrigerator, microwave, sink, table and chairs. Kitchens are for preparing snacks and not designed to replace the university meal plan.

All student rooms have high-speed Ethernet connections, local telephone service and cable television service. Students must furnish their own twin-long linens, blankets, pillows, towels and telephone. Custodial service is provided

for all common areas such as hallways, lounges and centrally located bathrooms.

#### **EDGE PROGRAM**

The Education, Development, Growth and Experience (EDGE) program provides support and resources to help traditional first-time freshmen achieve academic success. The EDGE program is mandatory for all first-time freshmen under 20 years of age and who live on campus. EDGE halls have live-in tutors and twice the number of resident advisors as other halls. Alcohol is prohibited in the EDGE halls. Participants receive instruction in academic success skills, campus resources and other topics that foster success.

## **ROOM USE DURING VACATION PERIODS**

All halls are open during Thanksgiving and spring break, but most are closed during the winter break with the exception of Cutler Apartments. All students living on campus in the fall and spring are eligible to remain on campus over the winter break provided they apply and pay the winter break fee. Space is limited and is available on a first come, first served basis. The winter break fee for Cutler Apartments is included in the fall semester rates. Food service is not available during the winter and spring breaks. Summer housing assignments are made through Residence Life.

# Family Housing/Graduate Housing

UAF offers a variety of on-campus housing to meet the needs of student families. The university owns and maintains 180 furnished apartments on campus, ranging from one- to three-bedroom units. They are affordable, comfortable and conveniently located near the center of campus. All apartments are smoke-free.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Students who are married and accompanied by their spouse, single parents with legal custody of their children, financially interdependent domestic partners and graduate students are eligible for family/graduate housing options at UAF. At least one adult family member must be enrolled as a full-time UAF student. Students planning to be married by the time they move in may apply. However, students may not sign an occupancy agreement until they present a marriage certificate or obtain financial interdependence approval.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Residence Life will mail an application for family housing upon request (also available online at www.uaf.edu/reslife/). Applicants should return the completed form as soon as possible with a non-refundable \$50 application fee. Residence Life establishes waiting lists according to the order in which it receives applications. The application is not a guarantee of accommodations, but it gives Residence Life the information it requires to meet the applicant's needs. All apartment preferences are honored on a first-received, first-served basis. Three-bedroom units are often in high demand.

#### **PET POLICY**

Residents of family, faculty and staff housing may keep fish, small caged animals (including hamsters, gerbils and mice — limit of two small caged animals per household), dogs and cats. No other animals may be kept as pets in campus housing. Visit the Residence Life website at www.uaf.edu/reslife/ for details about the application process and required deposit and cleaning fees. Applying to keep a pet does not guarantee approval.

#### COSTS

Costs for families living on campus are comparable to the costs of living off campus. On-campus family apartment rental rates include all utilities except telephone and Internet in some units.

Deposits for family housing are \$600. Upon acceptance of your assigned apartment, \$300 of the deposit is due. The balance of your \$600 deposit and your first month's rent is due when you check in. Your occupancy agreement is for the entire academic year, but you may cancel the agreement for spring semester without forfeiting your deposit if you graduate or are not enrolled at UAF. Cancellation requests must be submitted in writing to Residence Life with a 30-day notice of intent to vacate, completing checkout no later than Jan. 3. See the cancellation/termination section of your agreement.

#### **APARTMENTS**

The Fairbanks campus maintains five apartment complexes: Stuart Hall and Walsh Hall offer one-bedroom apartments (400 square feet) for couples without children; Hess Village offers one-bedroom (425 square feet), two-bedroom (720 square feet), and three-bedroom (900 square feet) apartments for families with children; and Garden Apartments is a six-plex offering shared two-bedroom apartments. Harwood Hall offers efficiencies (380 square feet) and one-bedroom apartments (470 square feet) for graduate couples without children and single graduate students. All complexes are equipped with laundry facilities.

Campus apartments are fully furnished and usually include Ethernet computer connections, cable television service, laundry facilities and local telephone service.

# **Immunization Policy and Housing**

The University of Alaska strictly enforces immunization and test requirements for students living in high-density housing. To be eligible to live in residence halls and single-student apartment complexes, all students and other persons born after 1956 must complete, sign and submit a health inventory form to the Student Health and Counseling Center. The form must show:

- 1. Proof of immunization against or immunity for measles, mumps, rubella (two MMR are required).
- 2. Proof of immunization against diphtheria and tetanus (within the past 10 years).

3. PPD screening for tuberculosis (within the past year). If your screening was positive, you must provide evidence of a negative chest X-ray.

Although the university urges all students to be immunized against communicable diseases, these requirements are specifically intended to help ensure the health of all resident students.

#### **MANDATORY IMMUNIZATIONS AND TESTS**

Your application for housing may be withheld for your second semester if you have not submitted these items. The university may require additional or expanded immunization and testing if the university community's health and safety warrants it.

The university may grant exemptions from immunization requirements based on medical or religious reasons. The chancellor may also grant exemptions to people who will occupy student residence facilities for less than a semester. Those exempted from immunization or testing for a disease may be removed from student residence facilities should an outbreak of that disease occur or threaten to occur. Residence Life cannot authorize exceptions to this policy.

See Board of Regents' Policy, Part IX–Student Affairs, Chapter XI–Student Health. For more information, contact the Student Health and Counseling Center, telephone 907-474-7043, email uaf-sh-cc@alaska.edu, or online at www.uaf.edu/chc/.

# Where to Get More Information

## Department of Residence Life

University of Alaska Fairbanks Main Floor, Moore-Bartlett-Skarland Complex P.O. Box 756860 Fairbanks, Alaska 99775-6860

Email: housing@uaf.edu Online: www.uaf.edu/reslife/ Telephone: 907-474-7247

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# **Dining Services**

# The UAF Dining Experience

UAF offers many different meal plans for Fairbanks residential and commuter students. Breakfast is served at Wood Center Food Court, while lunch and dinner, as well as brunch on the weekend, is served at Lola Tilly Commons.

Meals at Lola Tilly Commons are served "all you care to eat" style. Options include a large salad bar, soup station, pasta station, pizza station, grilled items and daily specials, sandwich bar, vegan and vegetarian dishes, and an ice cream and dessert station. Lola Tilly Commons is located on lower campus in front of McIntosh, Nerland, and Stevens halls. The commons is closed during the winter and spring breaks.

Please review your dining contract for more details.

#### **MEAL PLANS**

- The Platinum Meal Plan: This plan entitles you to an unlimited number of all you care to eat meals for breakfast at Wood Center and lunch and dinner at Lola Tilly Commons. It also includes \$75 in Munch Money which may be used in all UAF dining services locations campus-wide. This plan does not include guest privileges. \$1,760/semester
- The Gold Meal Plan: This plan entitles you to an unlimited number of all you care to eat meals (lunch through dinner only) at Lola Tilly Commons where meals are served Monday – Sunday. This plan includes \$100 in Munch Money which may be used in all UAF dining services locations campus-wide. This plan does not include guest privileges. (Note: Breakfast may be purchased using Munch Money). \$1,740/semester
- The Denali Block Meal Plan: This plan entitles you to 250 meals and \$200 Munch Money. Meals can be used for breakfast at Wood Center Grill 155 and lunch and dinner at Lola Tilly. Block meals can be exchanged for \$5 per meal at any dining retail location on campus (excluding Subway). \$2,040/semester
- **The Nanook Meal Plan**: This plan includes \$2,000 in Munch Money that can be spent at any UAF campus dining location and most vending locations, providing maximum flexibility, there are no restrictions on use of dining locations or who can enroll. \$2,000/semester
- The Chena Meal Plan: Enrollment is limited to juniors, seniors and graduate students. Providing the maximum possible flexibility, this plan includes \$1,155 in Munch Money that can be spent at any UAF dining location. \$1,155/semester

The WCC Meal Plan: Enrollment is limited to Wickersham, Cutler and commuter students. With \$630 in Munch Money that can be spent at any UAF dining location, this plan provides a flexible way for students to participate in dining activities with friends on campus and gives students a break from cooking for themselves. \$630/semester

## **USING YOUR MEAL PLAN**

Meals are accessed using the PolarExpress student ID card. With Munch Money that accompanies your plan you have the option of using the PolarExpress Card to eat at any of the campus dining locations or to make purchases at most campus vending machines.

All residence hall students are required to purchase a meal plan, with the exception of residents living in Cutler Apartment Complex and graduate students. Students who do not live on campus but are interested in purchasing a meal plan can contact Dining Services at 907-474-6661. Students wishing to share meals with others may use Munch Money, or purchase the Denali meal plan, which includes guest privileges.

Dining services on campus are provided by UAF partner NANA/Sodexho, an international food and facilities management services company. Check Dining Services' website at www.uafdining.com for additions or changes.

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