

## Please disregard if your student is graduating after this academic year.

Dear Elon Families,

Elon's housing selection process for current students to apply for housing for the next academic year will be underway soon. An overview of the process is included in this letter so you may have informed discussions with your student as they make housing plans for next year. More detailed information and updates may be found at <a href="https://www.elon.edu/u/residence-life/current-students/housing-selection/">https://www.elon.edu/u/residence-life/current-students/housing-selection/</a>.

## Housing selection at Elon occurs in sequential phases:

- 1. applying for housing accommodations due to a disability
- 2. applying for a Living-Learning Community (LLC)
- 3. current apartment residents of Station at Mill Point and Park Place may renew their same spaces
- 4. rising juniors and seniors select remaining housing (until the cap is reached)
- 5. rising sophomores select housing in phases, Danieley 8 person flats, apartments, residence halls

### Important notes about the upcoming housing selection process:

- **Rising Juniors and Seniors Only Pay Housing Reservation Fee:** A \$125 housing reservation fee must be paid by rising juniors and seniors who wish to participate in the Housing Selection process between Friday, December 1, 2023 and Saturday, February 10, 2024. All rising junior and senior students will need to pay this fee, even those returning to their same Station at Mill Point and Park Place apartment.
  - This fee can be paid <u>online</u> in Ebill. Please choose 'Edeposits' on the top menu, then 'fall 2024' for the term, then "housing deposit' as the payment type. More instructions on paying the housing reservation fee deposit can be found <u>here</u>.
  - Rising sophomores DO NOT need to pay this fee as they are required to live on-campus due to the <u>two-year Residency Requirement</u>.
- Housing Application and Agreement: All students must complete a housing application (which contains the housing agreement as well) by Saturday, February 10 through <u>Self-Service</u> (their online housing portal) in order to participate in housing selection.
  - We also encourage students and families to review our "<u>Apartments vs. Residence Halls</u>" website to understand the differences between these two distinct types of campus housing that we offer.
- Housing Priority Times: All rising sophomores and rising juniors and seniors who pay the housing reservation fee on time will be assigned a random priority time to sign up for housing during their designated selection process. When students add future roommates to their housing group, the student in the group with the earliest time will be able to choose housing for their entire group. *Note: For housing purposes, <u>we use prior semesters lived on campus</u> to determine class year, not credit hours.*
- **Prepare Multiple Options:** All students, except those returning to their current Station at Mill Point or Park Place apartment, are encouraged to make a list of several different housing options, with multiple apartments/residence halls, neighborhoods, and groups, in case their first choice is not available. This is especially important for rising juniors and seniors as we do not guarantee housing to these students and we will likely not have enough housing for the number of rising juniors and seniors who are typically interested.
- Live Selection Process: Students, or the student in their group with the best housing priority time, will log into Self Service at their designated time to see all available buildings and sign up for housing. Upon completion of the sign-up process, students will know their housing assignment for the 2024-2025 academic year.

- **Residential Neighborhoods:** Elon has developed neighborhoods to meet the needs of students across their four years. While the university does not group students in neighborhoods strictly by class, students will be housed generally as follows:
  - o First-Years Colonnades, East, Global, and Historic
  - $\circ$  Sophomores Danieley, Colonnades, Global, and Loy, with some in Oaks and Crest
  - o Juniors- Danieley, Oaks, Park Place, and Crest, with some in Station at Mill Point
  - $\circ$   $\:$  Seniors- Oaks, Park Place, Crest, and Station at Mill Point
- **Students Away from Campus Spring 2024:** Students studying abroad Spring 2024 should go through the online process with all other students.

## Living Learning Communities and Fraternity / Sorority Housing

Assignments to Living-Learning Communities (LLCs) and fraternity/sorority houses take place before other sign-up processes. Any student may apply to live in one of Elon's Living-Learning Communities (LLCs). Current students in LLCs must reapply to return and some LLCs are only open to first-year students based on their neighborhood location. Students accepted to a Living-Learning Community (LLC) will receive a housing assignment that is final.

**\*NEW\* Eco Village LLC at Loy Farm and First Phoenix LLC** – We have two new Living-Learning Communities for Fall 2024 that are open to upperclass students. If you are interested in learning more about the <u>Eco Village at Loy Farm</u> or the <u>First Phoenix LLC</u> (for first generation students) please consider applying on the Housing Application.

Assignments in fraternity or sorority houses in the Loy Center Neighborhood are determined by the individual chapters, in coordination with Residence Life and the Office of Student Involvement.

## Housing Selection for Rising Seniors and Juniors

Rising seniors and juniors will choose housing before rising sophomores. Seniors and juniors can return to their current apartment spaces if they are currently in Station at Mill Point or Park Place or try to secure another housing assignment. Because the university requires on-campus housing for first-year and sophomore students, there is a limit to the number of seniors and juniors who can live on-campus. Before the live sign-up process begins for rising seniors and juniors we will notify students about the number of students who have paid a housing deposit and the number of spaces we project will be available for juniors and seniors.

# **Housing Selection for Rising Sophomores**

Rising sophomores will select their housing assignment after the sign-up process for rising juniors and seniors. All rising sophomores who complete the sign-up process are assured a space on campus, though returning to their same residence hall room is not guaranteed.

- Incoming new students and rising sophomores are required to reside on campus and **should not sign a lease elsewhere or plan to live off campus**. Exceptions to this policy are only granted through an official request process with Residence Life and will be very limited for next year.
- Most sophomores will live in residence halls, with the highest concentration in Danieley Center, although some will be able to choose available apartment spaces in Oaks, Danieley Apartments, or Crest, or will live in fraternity/sorority houses in the Loy Center Neighborhood.

# **Students Studying Abroad Fall 2024**

Students studying abroad in Fall 2024 may: (1) pre-arrange with a student vacating their space spring 2025 to fill their space using the *Lease Turn Over Process* or, (2) apply in November 2024 for spaces on campus for spring 2025. Campus housing is not guaranteed for juniors and seniors returning from abroad in the spring. Students studying abroad for Fall 2024 should not sign up for housing during spring housing selection.

# **Other Important Information**

• **Medical / Disability Housing Accommodations:** If your student will need special housing based on a medical condition, please <u>review the process on our website</u> and the due date for this request. *We cannot guarantee medical accommodations after this date*.

- **Billing:** Residence hall room fees and apartment rent are paid with the tuition bill each semester and includes internet service, bedroom furniture, and utility costs. Room, meal plans, and apartment rates for 2024-2025 will be posted <u>on the Bursar's website</u> by February.
- **Cancellation Penalties:** Please <u>refer to the Residence Life website</u> to be aware of significant financial penalties for students who cancel their on-campus assignments after June 1.
- Apartment Lease Dates: The leases for students returning to their same apartment in Park Place and Station at Mill Point begin on June 1 and run through May 31. The leases for students moving into a new apartment begin on June 15 and run through May 31. This does not apply to Crest, which has a lease start date of August 1. Students who sign up for an apartment space in housing selection cannot cancel the lease (but may do a lease turnover) and are not eligible for room changes.

Please contact Residence Life at residencelife@elon.edu or (336) 278-7300 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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