step into the residence halls
@ the university of maryland
2015-2016
FALL WELCOME 2015

Thursday, August 27 - Sunday, August 30

New students to campus are encouraged to participate in our Fall Welcome program, a special introduction to living on campus, which begins with check-in to your residence hall and ends on the day before classes start.

Special activities and events planned for new residents include:

• welcome meetings for new roommates, floormates, and staff, and
• social activities, dance, entertainment, recreation and other fun events designed to help you meet lots of people.

• sessions and events designed to orient you to life at the University of Maryland.

Parents and family are invited to attend the Family Welcome Receptions on Thursday, August 27 or Friday, August 28. Staff members from the residential communities, who will be working directly with students during the year, are excited to meet you and answer any questions you may have.

The Fall Welcome program is free. No registration or RSVP is required. The Fall Welcome Meal Plan begins Thursday, August 27, at 11 am. Regular dining plans begin Friday, August 28, at 4 pm.

Visit us on the web at www resilife.umd.edu/fallwelcome

RESIDENCE HALL NAME | BUILDING CAPACITY | STYLE OF BUILDING | GENDER OPTIONS | APPROX. NUMBER SHARING BATH | FIRST YEAR ROOMS | M-Rooms | Living & Learning Units | Laundry Room | Study Lounge(s) | Elevators |
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ALEXANDRA 293 | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 9 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
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BALTIMORE 95* | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 9 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
BEL AIR 117 | Traditional | SG, MG | 16 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
CALVERT 126 | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
CAROLINE 127 | Traditional | SG, MG | 16 | 3 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
CARRIAGE 123 | Traditional | SG, MG | 16 | 3 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
CECIL 96 | Traditional | SG, MG | 16 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
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CHARLES 103 | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
CHESTERTOWN 126 | Traditional | SG, MG | 16 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
CUMBERLAND 430* | Traditional | SG, MG | 13 | 7 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
DENTON 529 | Traditional | SG, MG | 33 | 9 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
DORCHESTER 170* | Traditional | SG | 31 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
EASTON 165 | Traditional | SG, MG | 34 | 9 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
ELKTON 543 | Traditional | SG, MG | 35 | 8 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
ELIZABETH 574* | Traditional | SG, MG | 33 | 9 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
FREDERICK 74 | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
GARTHETT 72* | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
HAGERSTOWN 575 | Traditional | SG, MG | 33 | 9 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
HARFORD 107* | Traditional | SG, MG | 34 | 9 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
HORSESHOE 54 | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
HARRIET 49 | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
LAPLATA 650* | Traditional | SG, MG | 33 | 9 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
LEONARDTOWN (NEW) 396* | Apartments | SG, MG, GI | 3 | 3 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
LEONARDTOWN (OLD) 234* | Apartments | SG, MG, GI | 3 | 3 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
LAWRENCE 288* | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
MONTGOMERY 709 | Semi-Suites | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 8 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
PRINCE GEORGETS 85* | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
QUEEN ANN’S 110* | Traditional | SG | 20 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
ST. MARY’S 101* | Apartments | SG | 3-5 | 3 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
Somerset 125* | Traditional | SG | 14 | 3 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
TALBOT 49 | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 3 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
WASHINGTON 114* | Suites & Apts. | SG, MG, GI | 2-4 | 3 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
WILDMOOLD 162 | Traditional | SG | 15 | 4 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
WORCESTER 166 | Traditional | SG | 24 | 8 | * | * | * | * | * | * |

All residence halls are coeducational, with male and female residents on separate floors or in sections of halls, except for South Hill, which houses female residents only. Dorming is prohibited in all student rooms and all other interior spaces in all buildings. To learn more Community Centers, 24-hour desk, study lounge, fireplace lounge, common area, recreation, and facilities. South Hill Community Center: adjacent 24-hour desk, each residence room and kitchen. Students are required and accountable for persons with disabilities. 24-hour Office of Information Technology (OIT) Lab.

RESIDENCE HALLS AT A GLANCE
**DINING @ MARYLAND**

Students living in a traditional residence hall or suite (no kitchen) are required to participate in a University-approved dining plan. Each plan provides a pre-determined number of Resident Points, 251 North Meals and Terp Bucks for students to use in select locations across campus. Not sure which plan to choose? Don’t worry – there is a three-week grace period each semester to allow you to make a change from one plan to another.

The Resident Traditional Plan is the most popular plan, designed for students who will eat about ten meals a week in the a la carte dining halls and cafés and dine once a week at the 251 North all-you-care-to-eat dining hall. We recommend this plan because we know that you will occasionally want to enjoy food in College Park with friends, go home some weekends, and order out or cook independently from time to time. If you prefer to dine on campus more often, we suggest the Resident Gold Plan which provides additional Resident Points.

Fall Semester dining plans for new-to-housing students include points for Fall Welcome. Fall Welcome dining begins with brunch at 11:00 am on Thursday August 27 and includes meals through Friday August 28 when the Resident Dining Plans begin. Unused Fall Welcome Points become Bucks and may be used throughout the semester.

**DINING PLAN POINTS**

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Every dining plan includes a facilities fee and a renovation fee. For detailed descriptions of dining plan options available, visit www.dining.umd.edu/dining/resident/new. The Platinum Kosher Plan is considered an approved dining plan visit www.hillelumd.org.

**Payment Options**

You can pay your University bills the old fashioned way—twice a year, at the start of the Fall semester in August and again in December or January for the Spring semester. These payments can be made by personal check, checking account debit, or Visa, Discover, Mastercard or American Express.

**INTEREST-FREE TERP PAYMENT PLAN**

www.umd.edu/bursar/t_payMethods.html

By enrolling in the Terp Payment Plan, you can spread your payments out over either 8 or 10 payments, thereby avoiding hefty lump sum payments. And there is no interest, just an annual enrollment fee. With the Terp Payment Plan, you can arrange to have your monthly payments debited directly from your checking or savings account.

**WHEN AND HOW ROOM ASSIGNMENTS ARE MADE**

Rooms are guaranteed for new students when an official confirmation of services has been issued by the Department of Resident Life. Entering freshmen who submit housing and dining requests after their deadline and new transfer students are officially confirmed for housing on a space-available basis.

Actual building and room assignments are made and posted at www.reslife.umd.edu beginning July 17 (January 13 for Spring Semester).

Once room assignments are posted at www.reslife.umd.edu, you will know the hall and room to which you have been assigned and when and where to check-in. You will also know your roommate’s name, email address and cellphone number. No room changes are made after this point.

New students can request roommates and submit hall preferences. However, freshmen are assigned to available double, triple, and quad rooms in all residence halls after current students select their assignments. Please note that we cannot guarantee that all requests will be honored. Roommate requests must be mutual by both students. Please do not make plans or purchase supplies with your requested roommate prior to receiving your assignment.

**RESIDENCE HALLS BY THE NUMBERS**

- 9,242 students live in 36 residence halls
- 76% live in traditional “dorm-style” halls with furnished double, triple, or quad rooms and communal bathrooms
- 12% live in fully-equipped apartments that are air conditioned, carpeted, furnished, with kitchens (mostly second and third year residents; no dining plan required)
- 12% live in suites—like apartments, but no kitchens (mostly second and third year residents; dining plan required)

**Immunization Policy**

Maryland law requires that every student who resides in the on-campus residence halls be vaccinated against meningococcal disease. A student may be exempt from this vaccination requirement if he or she (or parent/legal guardian in the case of a minor), after having been advised of the risks of the disease and the availability and effectiveness of the vaccine, signs a written waiver stating that he or she has received the information and has chosen not to be vaccinated against the disease. For more information call University Health Center at 301.314.8114 or visit www.health.umd.edu.

**No Smoking Policy**

Smoking is prohibited in all locations inside all residence halls, apartments and suites, including all student rooms. Effective July 1, 2013, the University of Maryland is a smoke-free campus and prohibits the use or carrying of any lighted tobacco products on campus property.

**Parking Policy**

First-year resident students may be eligible to purchase a parking permit and park a vehicle in Terrapin Trail Garage (Lot 6) near Comcast Center arena.

*The Department of Resident Life will utilize a differentiated rate structure for the 2015-2016 academic year. This rate structure reflects proposed fees based on both hall and room amenities offered and on the number of room occupants. Full fee information available at www.reslife.umd.edu/housing/housingfees.
MAKING YOUR ROOM
YOUR HOME
Please “pack light” for your first trip to your room, and leave your largest and heaviest essential items at home—at least until you and your roommate(s) have talked. Storage will be your closest space and under your bed.

Each student will have:
- Regular twin bed and mattress
- Four-drawer dresser
- Personal data line
- Desk with drawer and shelf, desk chair
- Personal cable jack

PERMISSIBLE ITEMS
(discuss with roommate(s) first to avoid duplicates or overload)
- Touch-tone phone with standard plug, line cord (voicemail is provided)
- Bicycle and strong lock
- Carpet remnant or rug (also sold on move-in day in August)
- Curtains
- “Hold-it” for hanging posters
- UL/CSA Approved Power Outlet Strip with Integrated Circuit Breaker (consider “smart power strip” to save energy)
- Two waste bins: one for trash (with liners) and one for recycling (plastic/bottles/cans only)
- Memoboard for your room door
- Cleaning supplies
- Cable ready television (and 15- to 20-foot cable)
- Small appliances (UL/CSA Approved, ENERGY STAR Certified models preferred): small refrigerator (3.6 cubic foot maximum)
- Iron (and ironing board)
- air cleaner or air ionizer with UL Seal
- Keurig hot drink dispensers (consider purchasing reusable K-cup filter)
- Flashlight, battery-powered radio, extra batteries
- Dictionary, stapler, stationery, stamps
- First aid kit
- Laundry bag, detergent, clothes hangers
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PERSONAL ITEMS YOU SHOULD BRING
- Small electronics (consider ENERGY STAR Rated models): laptop or personal computer (Windows compatible or Macintosh) and 15- to 20-foot ethernet cable
- printer for laptop or PC
- alarm clock
- Bedding (consider using bedding you already own/use at home)
- regular twin-size sheets (30” x 75” x 6” mattress) blanket, bedspread, pillows, pillowcases
- mattress cover
- Soap, toiletries, shower tolebuteck
- Towels, washcloths
- Laundry bag, detergent, clothes hangers
- First aid kit
- Flashlight, battery-powered radio, extra batteries
- Dictionary, stapler, stationery, stamps
- Desk/lamp (consider CFL or LED light bulbs; no halogen bulbs, no lamps with gooseneck arms and plastic shades)
- Under-the-bed storage boxes (10” clearance)

PROPERTY INSURANCE
The University will not be able to reimburse you for any theft or loss or damages to your belongings because of fire, flood, water leak, etc. Please check your family’s homeowner’s or apartment dweller’s policy or consider purchasing renter’s insurance; it will cover your belongings while you are on campus.

DATA/CABLE/TELEPHONE SERVICES
Each resident has a separate, personal data line and cable connection. All student rooms and common areas in all residence halls also have 100% wireless internet coverage.

STAFF IN THE HALLS
Resident Assistants (RAs) are ...
- Undergraduate students who live on student’s unit
- First point of contact for student concerns
- Trained in referrals to University resources, leading programs and activities for/unit residents
- Mediating conflicts, confronting problems

Resident Directors (RDS) are ...
- Full-time staff who have earned a Master’s degree and live on campus
- Supervisors of RAs
- Responsible for approximately 500 students

Community Directors (CDs) are ...
- Have earned a Master’s degree
- Supervise RDS, select and evaluate all staff
- Have three or more years’ full-time residence halls management experience

LIVING & LEARNING

OUR MULTICULTURAL PHILOSOPHY
Our community is a dynamic, active multicultural community. Our citizens identify themselves in many different ways with distinctions that include but are not limited to race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, age, physical ability, mental ability, class, cultural history, and life experience.

Out of this diversity, we seek to build a community where we are able to balance our desire to explore individual differences with our desire to celebrate common bonds; a community that is equally concerned with our rights as individuals and our responsibilities as members. Our success in this effort depends on each citizen’s understanding of those rights and responsibilities as well as one’s adherence to the principles upon which our community is built.

We seek to create an environment in which:
- each citizen feels he or she rightfully belongs;
- one’s dignity and membership is recognized and respected regardless of distinctions in identity;
- the moral and legal rights to free thought, speech, and opinion are encouraged in an atmosphere of mutual acknowledgment and respect, and judgments by others are made solely on one’s conduct, character, and exercise of citizenship and intellect.

Your rightful membership as a citizen of this community is directly tied to your fulfillment of the responsibilities of citizenship. First among these is to recognize the rightful place of every other citizen in our community, and to abstain from acts of abuse, harassment or assault towards others.

Our community and our principles foster multicultural skills in our citizens. We believe that these skills are a fundamental and necessary capacity for every citizen in any pluralistic, multicultural, and democratic society.

Students and family members should view our Philosophy in its entirety at www.reslife.umd.edu

OFFICES (M-F, 8:30am-4:30pm)
North Campus Community . .301-226-4830
- Cambridge . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .301-314-7925
- Denton . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .301-314-4645
- Elliott . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .301-314-7399

South Campus Community . .301-314-7484
- Leonardtown . . . . . . . . . . . . . .301-314-7484
- North Hill . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .301-314-7484
- South Hill . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .301-314-7484
- South Campus Commons . .301-314-6621

To start receiving cable television service, simply bring your own cable-ready television and cable (15- to 20-foot cable is recommended).

Your room’s phone number will be provided with your room assignment. Because you will share one phone line, roommates should discuss who will contribute the phone set to the room’s set-up.

Your room’s phone package includes: voice mail, free unlimited local calling, free unlimited campus calling, free incoming calls, call transferring, last number redial, conference calling, 24-hour automated information line (301-405-1400), and free maintenance of line, dial-tone problems.

Off-campus calling options include contracting with a carrier of your choice for a telephone credit card and purchasing pre-paid calling cards.

To activate your wired data connection and access the Internet in your residence hall, please login to the switchboard 10 Mbps Ethernet connection, bring a laptop, Windows-compatible PC or Apple Macintosh computer. You’ll also need an Ethernet card and cable (15- to 20-foot cable is recommended). Call 301-314-DATA weekdays 9am-5pm for more information or visit us on the Web at www.reslife.umd.edu.

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WHAT YOU NEED FROM YOUR COMMUNITY & WHAT YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS FROM YOU

A healthy academic community is made up of individuals who are actively learning how to be citizens, scholars and leaders. Each and every member has a part in the success of our community.

In choosing to live in the residence halls you have accepted an opportunity and an obligation: the opportunity to enjoy and benefit from a healthy academic community, and the obligation to conduct yourself in ways that help other citizens to do the same.

We who live at Maryland do so with a set of living principles constantly in mind. These principles guide each citizen’s conduct and actions to promote the best of what the community has to offer. They also teach us what we can contribute to our future communities.

Be Safe
Each of us must have the sense that we are safe from danger and harm. The immediate physical safety of each and every citizen must be the first concern for all of us.

Be Civil
Each of us must feel that he or she has a rightful and recognized place in this community. This sense of belonging is reinforced when we act toward one another in a civil fashion which affirms the dignity and respect that is due each citizen.

Be Cooperative
Living together as closely as we do requires communication and compromise on the conflicts that will likely occur. The varying ways in which we like to rest, study or socialize, and the need to share bathrooms, lounges and lobbies are among the demands of group living.

Be Involved
When we get involved in our community, we invest in it; we help it grow, flourish and reach its potentials, and each of us gets a great return. Our involvement brings about activities and improvements.

POLICIES REGARDING ALCOHOL AND ILLEGAL DRUGS

The legal drinking age in the State of Maryland—for beer, wine, and liquor—is 21. For students under the age of 21, it is a violation of residence hall rules to drink or possess alcoholic beverages.

For all students, regardless of age, it is a violation of residence hall rules to:
- possess or use alcoholic beverages in any common area of the residence halls
- possess, use, or distribute any illegal drug or drug paraphernalia.

Use of alcohol by a minor or possession of drug paraphernalia normally results in a sanction of housing probation or warning; further violation can result in dismissal from residence halls. Possession, use, distribution, and/or knowingly allowing use or distribution in one’s room of any illegal drug normally results in dismissal from residence halls.

Students are expected to report suspected drug activity to University Police at 911 or 301-405-3555.

VISITATION POLICY

In all halls except Cecil Hall, “unlimited” visitation hours mean residents may have guests of either sex visit in their rooms 24 hours a day, so long as their roommate(s) agrees.

In the all-female “limited” hours Cecil Hall, no male guests are to be permitted after posted hours—usually 12 midnight Sundays through Thursdays, and 1:30 am Fridays and Saturdays. The limited hours policy is self-governed by residents of the hall; concerns should be reported to a staff member.

THE RIGHT START IN RESIDENT RELATIONSHIPS

As students pursue their individual interests and activities within their residence halls, they will be expected to do so in a manner that does not prevent other residents from exercising this same basic privilege. Residents should remember two key words: courtesy and respect.

At the start of the year, residence hall staff assist residents in developing guidelines regarding living standards. Residents will be asked to participate in discussions which will result in the development of their Community Living Agreements on questions such as:
- How will we communicate with each other regarding visitors?
- What steps will we take to communicate and resolve a disagreement or conflict that arises?
- What time at night should we begin “quiet hours” so that we can sleep and study?
- How often will we clean our room? On a scheduled or as-needed basis?
- For what purposes should our lounge be used?
- How loud can a stereo be played before it becomes too loud?

Certain rules of conduct apply to all residence halls. Rules include prohibitions of disruptive behavior, vandalism, violation of drug and alcohol policies, harassment, and malicious pranks. Sanctions against such infractions are taken whenever individuals responsible for misconduct can be identified.

These sanctions range from community service, to warning or housing probation, to dismissal from housing. The residence hall rules are posted at www.reslife.umd.edu in our Community Living Handbook. Floor meetings are also conducted to inform students of these rules.

RELEASE POLICY

Your Housing and Dining Agreement is for both the Fall and Spring semesters.

Releases from the Agreement will only be approved for reasons such as:
- Withdrawal from all classes/cancellation of registration
- Co-ops, Study Abroad, student teaching
- Graduation

Prior to check-in, releases for new-to-housing students only will be approved upon Resident Life’s receipt of a written cancellation request. Notices received after July 1, 2015 and subsequently approved (after December 1, 2015 for students entering residence halls Spring semester) will result in a late release fee. For details, see terms and conditions at www.reslife.umd.edu/termsandconditions.

YOUR ROOM & RESPONSIBILITIES

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For their part, resident students will be expected to:

- keep their room doors locked
- never walk alone after dark, either walk with friends or utilize escort/transport services
- not allow strangers into their building
- report suspicious persons or activity to Police
- stay away from relatively isolated areas of the campus
- not place themselves in vulnerable or potentially dangerous situations

SAFETY FIRST IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS

For fire safety and health reasons, cooking is prohibited in all student rooms. This is why students in the residence halls are required to participate in an approved dining plan.

Permissible appliances are popcorn poppers and hot water pots which have enclosed heating elements and bear the UL seal. These items should never be used in student rooms, only in a designated cooking area inside floor lounges. Floor lounges will not necessarily be equipped with stoves, refrigerators, sinks and disposal systems that are adequate for cooking or cleaning of utensils.

Students may not bring or use microwaves, extension cords, electric skillets, crockpots, or appliances with open or exposed heating elements or coils such as hotplates, toasters, and toaster ovens.

Small refrigerators are permitted in student rooms. They must meet these safety specifications:

- 3.5 cubic foot maximum
- 1.5 amp maximum
- 120 volts, 60 cycle AC
- grounding type, 3-prong electric plug and 3-wire cord
- Underwriters Laboratory (UL) Seal of Approval
- Energy Star-rated models preferred

Food preparation in rooms should be limited to cereal and pre-packaged snacks. Food should be stored in a refrigerator or in air-tight containers to avoid spoiling, odors, and pests.

Students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms and carrying their trash to outdoor dumpsters. You should bring a waste basket and plastic liner bag.

In the residence halls:

- Visitors should call their host’s room from telephones at the main entrances and wait to be accompanied into the building.

When crimes occur on campus, they are reported by Police in “crime alerts” and in The Diamondback newspaper. This is done to encourage crime prevention behaviors by all community members and therefore foster a safer environment. Crime statistics are published each year, in compliance with federal regulations.

Please visit www.umdps.umd.edu for more information.

SAFETY & SECURITY

Are you ready in an emergency? www resilc.umd.edu/prepare

Fire Safety Reminders

If you hear your building’s fire alarm:

- Immediately exit the building
- Always assume an emergency, never assume a false alarm
- Use stairs, not elevators
- Do not open door if knob is warm to the touch, stay in room and call 911
- Crawl on floor (where air is fresher) if you encounter smoke

If you smell smoke or see smoke or fire:

- Pull the nearest building alarm
- Close your room door
- Safely exit the building
- Call 911
- Never attempt to fight or put out a fire
- Tell staff or fire authorities exact location of fire or smoke

What you should do upon check-in:

- Read emergency evacuation procedure posted in your room
- Know locations of exit stairwells and doors
- Plan more than one exit route

More information is available at www.reslife.umd.edu/emergencypreparedness/

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When crimes occur on campus, they are reported by Police in “crime alerts” and in The Diamondback newspaper. This is done to encourage crime prevention behaviors by all community members and therefore foster a safer environment. Crime statistics are published each year, in compliance with federal regulations.

Please visit www.umdps.umd.edu for more information.

SAFETY & SECURITY

Are you ready in an emergency? www resilc.umd.edu/prepare

Fire Safety Reminders

If you hear your building’s fire alarm:

- Immediately exit the building
- Always assume an emergency, never assume a false alarm
- Use stairs, not elevators
- Do not open door if knob is warm to the touch, stay in room and call 911
- Crawl on floor (where air is fresher) if you encounter smoke

If you smell smoke or see smoke or fire:

- Pull the nearest building alarm
- Close your room door
- Safely exit the building
- Call 911
- Never attempt to fight or put out a fire
- Tell staff or fire authorities exact location of fire or smoke

What you should do upon check-in:

- Read emergency evacuation procedure posted in your room
- Know locations of exit stairwells and doors
- Plan more than one exit route

More information is available at www.reslife.umd.edu/emergencypreparedness/
24-HOUR SERVICES

• Police, fire and ambulance services
• Quiet room in libraries
• Study rooms in residence halls
• Security escorts by uniformed Police officers and Student Police Aides
• Residence hall desk staff for information, room lockouts, getting immediate help with a problem, mail/package pick-up
• "Hotline" for residence hall repairs and service calls
• Professional staff (housing, counseling, mental health) for response to emergencies
• Maintenance response to plumbing, heating or power emergencies
• Police surveillance of outdoor areas, parking garages via security cameras
• Text messaging alerts, warning sirens

PACKAGES & MAIL

Belongings and online purchases shipped by a recognized carrier (USPS, FedEx, UPS, DHL) must arrive at your check-in desk only after you have arrived for move-in, due to limited holding space.

Mail should be addressed:

Student Name
Room number, Name of Residence Hall
University of Maryland
College Park, Maryland 20742

IMPORTANT DATES

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