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Parent and Family Newsletter



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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Preparing your student for Room Selection
- New and exciting changes to campus
- New financial literacy tools available for students and their families



IMPORTANT DATES

January 1st

Priority Deadline for FAFSA

January 12th

Spring 2018 Tuition Bill Due

January 15th

University Closed

New Student Move-In

January 16th

Residence Halls Open at 10 am

Open Enrollment Begins

January 17th

Classes Start

January 19th

Leadership Day

January 23rd

Facebook Live Event about
Room Selection at 6 pm

PREPARING FOR ROOM SELECTION

Students face several challenges in the Spring Semester. With a new course load comes new academic challenges as well as a new schedule which forces them to create an entirely new routine. As we look forward to helping your student succeed, one thing to help prepare them for is housing selection. For many of our students, the room selection process can cause a lot of fear and anxiety. Here's how you can help your student make room selection stress free.

Make Sure Your Student is Eligible

To ensure that your student is eligible to participate in the Room Selection Process for the 2018-2019 academic year, students must complete the following steps by Friday, March 2nd, 2018.

- Verify there are no financial holds on your student's account. Your student must be in good standing with the Bursar's Office before submitting the Room Deposit.
- Your student must complete and submit a 2018-2019 Housing Application available on myHousing.
- Your student must submit a \$500 Room Deposit through ePay or by mail to the Bursar's Office, or by going to the One Stop Shop in Bergami Hall. Please be advised, the Room Deposit is non-refundable and non-transferrable.

Encourage them to Attend an Information Session

Whether your student is going through room selection for the first time or is looking for housing for their senior year, everyone should attend an information session. This year the Office of Residential Life is rolling out a brand new process.

It will be important for your student to learn about the various changes to ensure an easy selection process. The dates and locations are as follows:

- Monday, February 5th at 6pm, Alumni Lounge
- Wednesday, February 21st at 12pm, Alumni Lounge
- Tuesday, February 27th at 4pm, Alumni Lounge

Know Your Options

Students have a number of different housing options to select from. It's important that they know their options. There are a number of resources that students can use to explore their options.

Virtual tours are now available to students on their myCharger under the Office of Residential Life Residence Hall Guides and FAQ section. Students can click and explore each residential area. Each hall guide includes general facts about the hall, the amenities, what's included per student, and a virtual tour of their bedroom and common spaces. It's a great first step to exploring their potential new home!

Another resource that you should encourage your student to take advantage of is hall tours. Before the start of room selection, each upper-class area will be sponsoring a hall tour. Your student can see a typical suite/apartment first hand. This is a great opportunity to experience the hall and ask any questions of current residents and the hall staff. Remind your student to keep an eye out for an email with specific dates and times.

Can't Find Roommates?

For some of our students, finding roommates for the upcoming year can be challenging. Luckily, the Office of Residential Life hosts a program, Matching Mates, which is a great opportunity for students to meet others looking for roommate. The dates and times for these programs are as follows:

- Monday, March 19th at 5pm, Alumni Lounge
- Thursday, March 22nd at 4pm, Alumni Lounge

Questions?

If your student has questions about the room selection process, please encourage them to visit the Office of Residential Life located in Bixler Hall or email roomselection@newhaven.edu.

IMPORTANT DATES

January 24th

Open Drop/Add Deadline

January 29th

Housing Freeze Ends

February 1st

Dean's Hour from 12-1 PM

Facebook Live Event about Career and Internship Planning at 6 PM

February 4th

Resident Assistant Application Closes at 11:59 PM

February 16th

Gender Inclusive Housing Info Session at 1 pm in the Moulton Lounge

February 20th

Gender Inclusive Housing Info Session at 10 am in the Moulton Lounge

February 21st—23rd

Senior Portrait Dates

February 26th

Gender Inclusive Housing Info Session at 5 pm in the Moulton Lounge

For a more detailed list of events happening during the months of January and February visit:
www.newhaven.edu/families

NEW CHANGES TO CAMPUS!

As a result of student feedback, we have been making a number of exciting changes to our campus. As we look forward to the Spring Semester, here are just some of the exciting and new changes that your student can expect as they return:

- Free Laundry
- Meal-Plan Roll Over
- Increasing our Printing Locations
- Renovations to Dunham, Winchester, and Sheffield Hall
- Addition of Study Rooms in Celentano Hall
- An easier Room Selection Process

And there is more to come! We appreciate your feedback as we continue to make our campus a more welcoming and friendly environment for all!



A MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCIAL LITERACY COMMITTEE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are pleased to announce the new partnership between the University of New Haven and Solutions at ECMC to provide our staff, students, **and their families**, access to the award-winning iGrad Financial Literacy Platform.

As a parent/guardian, you too have access to several tools, calculators, coaching programs, and personal finance/debt management education programs, including information about:

- Mortgage loan types, calculations and other information
- 401(k), IRA, and other retirement savings planning guides
- Saving for your and/or child's college education
- Information regarding banking, savings, taxes, investing, debt management, and financial goal planning.
- And much more!

Create your own account on iGrad, and explore its resources! There is even an outside scholarship search engine for your student!

For more information, please visit:

www.newhaven.edu/financialliteracy

Thank you,

The Financial Literacy Committee



If You Need Assistance or
Have Questions Let Us Know!

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