

What is the difference between & AFFILIATED HOUSING & TRADITIONAL HOUSING?

Affiliated Housing is owned and operated by University Student Housing (USH), a subsidiary of the WCU Foundation. Traditional housing is owned and operated by West Chester University. Both are on-campus housing.

AFFILIATED HOUSING
University Student Housing
Commonwealth Hall
715 South New Street
West Chester, PA 19383
610.430.4USH
leasing@ushcommunities.org

TRADITIONAL HOUSING
Office of Residence Life and Housing Services
202 Lawrence Center
West Chester, PA 19383
610.436.3307
housing@wcupa.edu

Frequently Asked Questions

What fees are due now?

Incoming students who are living on-campus will pay \$400 in fees during the application process, which is a combination of the \$200 admission deposit and a \$200 housing fee. Affiliated Housing applicants will pay a \$200 non-refundable application fee at the time of application. Traditional Housing applicants will pay a \$200 non-refundable housing deposit at the time of application. The application fee is non-refundable and non-transferable between Traditional Housing and Affiliated Housing.

What steps do I need to take if I require a special accommodation?

Please call the WCU Office of Residence Life and Housing Services at 610.436.3307 to discuss your individual circumstances and review the housing options that will best meet your needs.

Why can't I apply for housing as soon as I pay the admission deposit?

It takes several business days for the information regarding your payment to be communicated from the online payment service to the housing offices. It could take up to two weeks between making a payment and receiving housing instructions.

How will you contact me?

Both Affiliated Housing and Traditional Housing will utilize your WCU email address as the primary point of contact. All important communication from the University will be sent to your WCU email. For further information on setting up your WCU email account, please visit www.wcupa.edu/login.

Can I use financial aid towards the cost of housing?

Yes! For Affiliated Housing, the semester rent is due in full on August 1st and January 1st. If you are receiving financial aid to assist with the cost of housing, you will need to make temporary, monthly, out of pocket payments to USH until the Financial Aid Office distributes your refund. USH sends a separate invoice from WCU. Please visit the payment section of the USH website, www.wcuhousing.com, for more information. For Traditional Housing, financial aid will be applied to your WCU account, which includes housing costs.

HOW TO APPLY FOR HOUSING as a FIRST-YEAR STUDENT



Allegheny Hall



Brandywine Hall



Commonwealth Hall



Goshen Hall



Schmidt Hall



Tyson Hall



Affiliated Housing



Allegheny Hall, Brandywine Hall,
& Commonwealth Hall

8 **WARNING!**
Make sure you are completing the correct application for your preferred housing. The \$200 application fee is **non-refundable and non-transferable** if you make a mistake. Check your email regularly for further instructions regarding the application.

9 Review the email containing the Online Lease Application and instructions on how to apply for Affiliated Housing. USH does not utilize MyHousing in MyWCU, so please do not check here.

10 Follow the detailed directions in the Online Lease Application and complete every step within 10 days. You don't have housing until all steps are completed.

11 Roommate matching for Affiliated Housing is open as soon as you complete the Online Lease Application.

12 Unit selection is scheduled in May for first-year students. Directions will be sent to eligible students via email.

13 Housing Assignment, Roommate Confirmation & Housing Invoice will be sent in late June. **DONE!**

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1 **CONGRATULATIONS!**
You have been accepted to WCU!

2 Pay \$200 admission deposit.

3 **STOP!**
Review the enclosed brochures and information regarding Affiliated Housing and Traditional Housing.

4 Beginning in December, you will receive a mailing from New Student Programs with instructions for setting up your WCU email account.

5 Set up your WCU email account and check it daily.

6 Beginning in February, look for an email from housing@wcupa.edu containing instructions for selecting and securing on-campus housing.

7 Utilizing the web links contained in the email from housing@wcupa.edu, select Affiliated Housing or Traditional Housing. You will be directed to specific instructions for completing your housing application and you will be required to pay a \$200 non-refundable application fee.

Traditional Housing



Goshen Hall, Killinger Hall,
Schmidt Hall, & Tyson Hall

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9 You may now utilize the MyHousing portion of your MyWCU account to make changes or corrections to your application information.

10 Roommate matching for Traditional Housing will occur in mid-May through June. Directions will be sent to eligible students via email.

11 Roommate matching confirmation email will be sent in late June.

12 Housing Assignment & Roommate Confirmation will be sent via email in late July. **DONE!**