

# THE HOUSING HERALD

A UoFL CAMPUS HOUSING NEWSLETTER

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## *Important Dates*

- August 19 Move-In Day
- August 29 Battle of the Hall Stars
- Thursdays (till Oct. 15) Farmer's Market
- September 25-27 Cardinal Family Weekend
- October 19-25 Homecoming Week

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# WELCOME

*Welcome to Campus Housing! One of the most exciting and memorable aspects of the college experience is the opportunity to live and learn with other students in a residential setting. We are pleased you have chosen to contribute to the University of Louisville's residential community. Our talented staff members and student leaders are committed to serving and working with you to create an atmosphere conducive to academic, intellectual, social and emotional growth. Campus Housing is a place we hope you will be proud to call your home while at the University of Louisville.*

*Our department's mission is to promote a safe, convenient, inclusive and healthy living-learning environment, providing opportunities that engage students, facilitate student and faculty connections and encourage student success. Similarly, our department's vision is to provide a robust program that offers a variety of unique living environments to meet students' needs as they progress through their career with the university, supporting the overall academic goals of the institution. We take both of these very seriously and strive to intertwine both the mission and vision through our every interaction with students and their family members.*

*Whether you are a new or returning student, Campus Housing professional staff members, along with Resident Advisors (RAs), hall councils, desk staff members and other administrative staff will help you meet other students, learn your way around, and become involved in campus life. Being part of the on-campus community means more than just residing within four walls. Living within the residence halls provides opportunities for interpersonal interactions with other students, faculty, and staff members; access to campus resources; and above all else, it provides a connection to the campus community as well as the greater city of Louisville. You will have the opportunity to live in a diverse community with students from all over the world. Throughout the year, you will be challenged to see the world differently and with a broader perspective than when you arrived. Of course, we will be available to assist you with those challenges, help you learn to advocate for yourself, and show you the valuable leadership and social opportunities that are available here at the UofL.*

*Once you move in, every resident is asked to attend a floor meeting. This meeting is conducted by your RA, and is an excellent opportunity to meet your floor mates, establish floor policies and expectations, and learn about Welcome Week events. I know you will find numerous activities you will not want to miss. Once you arrive on campus and have a question, problem, or need assistance, ask your RA! They're prepared to help you succeed at the UofL.*

*Before you arrive, direct questions to either of the Campus Housing offices (see the Contact section at the end of this newsletter). Enjoy the rest of the summer and we look forward to seeing you in August!*

# MOVE IN DAY

## *Move-In Day*

Move-in day is **August 19** beginning at **9AM** and we are just as excited as you! While you are busy enjoying your summer before arriving on campus, we are busy working to prep your residence halls for arrival. **Welcome Week** is a week full of fun events just for you! College is a place to make lifelong friends, experiencing all the firsts together. Take advantage of all of these events and have a blast!

### **EARLY ARRIVAL**

**Early Arrival request forms** opens on July 16 and responses can be expected within 48 hours of submission via the email address submitted on the form.

### **ROOM CHANGES**

We realize that you may have an assignment in a residence hall that is not your first preference. You can submit a **room change request** and we will continue to diligently work over the summer and through the fall semester to grant room change requests. Replies will be sent to the email address used to submit this request. We encourage you to use your official UofL email address.



### **CANCELLATION**

We're sorry to see you go, but if you have decided to not live with Campus Housing you will need to submit a formal **cancellation request**. You will want to review the **cancellation policy** when making your decision.

### **TOURS & CHECKLIST**

As move in day fast approaches you may be asking yourself; what do I need to bring? Refer to this **list** for more information.

### **QUESTIONS?**

Visit the **Campus Housing** website for vital resources and tools that you will utilize throughout the year. Contact us at [oncampus@louisville.edu](mailto:oncampus@louisville.edu) with any questions or concerns you may have. We will look into your questions and reply to you within 48 hours. We can also be reached in the Housing Office: 502-852-6636 or 502-854-9011

# ON CAMPUS



## *Parking*

Parking is available near all of our residence halls. Residents who wish to bring their car to campus will need to purchase a parking permit. To obtain a permit, you will need to bring with you your housing confirmation letter. The parking office will issue you a permit for the zone located closest to your residence hall. Please visit the Parking Office for more information.

## *Meal Plans*

Meal Plans are a mandatory part of being a student here at U of L. You may use your meal plan at our great eating locations around campus, the following: Ville Grill: all-you-care-to-eat, anytime, Global Market, Zime, Sub Hub (in our own University Tower Apartments) and Cardinal Burger Company after 2:00PM and all day Fridays.

The price you will pay for your meal plan will vary depending on where you are living. If you are living in one of our traditional buildings (Miller, Threlkeld, Unitas Tower) or Suite Style Buildings (Kurz Hall or Community Park) your cost will be \$1,505 per semester. If you are living in Bettie Johnson or University Tower Apartments then you will have the apartment meal plan, at a cost of \$960 per semester.



## *Sustainability*

To kick off the Fall 2015 semester, the Farmer's Market event on Thursday afternoons on Brandeis will be hosting a sustainability concert early in the semester! The farmer's market is on campus every **Thursday** from **3:30PM till 6:00PM** and will be on campus every Thursday afternoon till October 15th. Another fun and engaging sustainability event taking place in fall is Sustainability Week. Sustainability Week is held in mid-October and hosts numerous programs on sustainable initiatives.

[Top 5 Reasons You Won't Need a Car on Campus](#)

[Tips for Green Living at UofL](#)

# RESIDENT LIFE

## *Battle of the Hall Stars*

Saturday, August 29, all of campus housing will come together in a monumental quest to determine the best hall on campus. Battle of the Hall Stars is an epic field day competition for campus domination. It will take your whole hall in order to win because of the multitude of events featured. Dodge ball, Ultimate Frisbee, Basketball, Volleyball, Team Spirit, Corn hole, Tug O War, Ladder Golf and many more. Halls will decorate battle banners and themselves as they seek to represent their hall as the loudest and proudest. Battle is an all-day event filled with competition (for the athletic and non-athletic), free food, prizes and games. The winning hall gets to take home the glory of the battle trophy and will win free t shirts commemorating their awesomeness. Battle is a great event to really get to know your hall as well as the rest of the campus community. You can't miss it! Prepare for Awesome, Battle is Coming!



## *Resident Student Association*

The Resident Student Association (RSA) is a student organization that serves as a liaison among the residence hall students, Housing and Residence Life, and the university community. RSA ensures that the voice and concerns of the residents that live on campus are brought to the attention of administrators across campus and regularly advocate for the needs of students within each individual residence hall.



RSA offers many leadership opportunities to first-year students as part of Hall Councils. Each residence hall has a Hall Council with four officers that include the President, Vice President, Programming Chair, and Campus Outreach Officer. The Hall Council serves as an advocate for the residents within the hall, communicates those needs to the executive board, and helps build community within the residence hall by planning social and education programs. Information about RSA and getting involved in Hall Councils will be presented through hall meetings in the lobby of each residence hall during the first week of classes. Be on the lookout for fliers and additional information posted within your individual residence hall.

At the same time, to be a part of RSA, there is no need to be an officer or hold a leadership role. Every student can be a part of RSA and help us advocate for the needs of students. If you have any other questions about getting involved in RSA, please contact Evan Keil at [evan.keil@louisville.edu](mailto:evan.keil@louisville.edu) or find us [online](#) for more information.

# TECHNOLOGY

## *Technology*

The University of Louisville provides wireless service in all our common areas. Due to construction and materials used in some of the buildings the wireless signal may not reach your individual room. Also, as more students join the wireless network between the hours of 6 pm and midnight with multiple devices the system may slow down. Please know that your room has a hard wired Ethernet jack that will allow you to access a faster and more secure internet connection. You will need to provide your own Ethernet cord.



### **PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN MIND:**

- Residents are not allowed to set up a personal network using a router in the residences halls
- If you intend to bring a wireless printer to campus you will need to register the MAC address with the university or we would strongly suggest connecting your printer via Bluetooth or a hard wire connection
- Any gaming systems that you bring and would like to use wirelessly will also need to have the MAC address registered
- At this time our systems do not support Google Chromecast or similar connection

### **CABLE TELEVISION**

As residents you have access to extended basic cable television that includes HBO, HBO2 and ESPN U. To access the fully digital signal your television must have a built in QAM tuner or you may contract individually with Time Warner for a Digital Cable Box and upgraded digital channels by submitting a cable box request and upgrade form.

# CONTACT

## Contact Information

### MAIN CONTACT

Web	<a href="http://www.louisville.edu/housing">www.louisville.edu/housing</a>
Email	<a href="mailto:oncampus@louisville.edu">oncampus@louisville.edu</a>
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*Emails are responded to within 48 hours.*

### SOCIAL MEDIA HRL

*(Threlkeld Hall, Unitas Hall, University Tower Apartments, Miller Hall, Louisville Hall)*

Facebook	<a href="http://www.facebook.com/Uoflhousingandreslife">www.facebook.com/Uoflhousingandreslife</a>
Twitter	<a href="https://twitter.com/UofL_Housing">@UofL_Housing</a>
Instagram	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/uoflhousing">uoflhousing</a>

### SOCIAL MEDIA ULH

*(Kurz Hall, Bettie Johnson Hall, Community Park, Billy Minardi Hall)*

Facebook	<a href="http://www.facebook.com/ULHinc">www.facebook.com/ULHinc</a>
Twitter	<a href="https://twitter.com/ulhinc">@ulhinc</a>
Instagram	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/ulh_inc">ulh_inc</a>
Pinterest	<a href="https://www.pinterest.com/ULH, Inc">ULH, Inc</a>