

[What Exactly Is The First Year Experience?](#)

The First Year Experience, also known as FYE, at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill is a campus-wide, collaborative effort which provides first-year students with the resources and support they need to successfully transition to the University. Our goal is to provide all first-year students with a socially supportive environment which will enable them to meet new people, immerse themselves in the UNC culture and establish valuable academic connections. Carolina Housing has partnered with campus offices and academic departments to create a rich and comprehensive FYE program.

[Do I Have To Sign Up For FYE?](#)

There is no sign-up necessary; first-year students are automatically part of FYE and can choose to participate in as many events and activities as they would like!

[What Are Some FYE Events?](#)

FYE programs and events vary slightly from year to year. You'll learn more about each event when you move on campus during the Week of Welcome. Here is a list of some of our signature programs, grouped by subject matter:

Transitions: These programs help students connect to campus, get to know their communities, and prepare for the next step.

- First Floor Meetings
- Week of Welcome
- Roommate and Suitemate Agreements
- FYE Intramurals

Diversity and Social Justice: Students can expect opportunities to learn more about social justice and engaging with a diverse population on-campus.

- The FYE Cultural Immersion Experience, including a trip to Trinidad over Fall Break!
- International Student and First-Year Student Roommate Matching
- The FYE Black & Blue Tour
- Documentary Screenings

Social and Academic: FYE provides opportunities to connect with other students and academic resources to truly feel like a part of this community and to feel supported in the college transition.

- First-Year Fridays
- Monthly International Student Meet & Greet
- Monthly Minority Males Meet & Greet
- Advising In the Halls
- Food Truck Rodeo
- Coffee and Conversations with Campus Resources
- The Career Buzz Fair
- Kickin' It with Campus Rec
- The LDOC Heelfest

Educational: There are opportunities provided to gain the knowledge to stay safe and be well as you explore your first-year.

- Safetoberfest
- Coffee with a Cop
- De-stress with the Deans & Dogs
- The Dietitian Is In

What If My Roommate and I Have Differences We Can't Work Out -- Can I Change Rooms?

Sure. Beginning after **the second week of fall semester and continuing throughout the academic year**, students can request a move through their community office. You can also use the Room Reassignment Portal at the [Housing Reassignment Request](#) [1] page.

Can You Accommodate My Asthma/Allergies?

Yes. You will need to complete a [Chronic or Severe Medical Conditions Special Accommodations Request Form](#) [2] when you fill out your Housing Application.

Can I Bring a Loft?

No. Housing provides all of the necessary materials to bunk or loft your beds. Self-built lofts are not allowed.

Is There a List of Approved Items I Am Allowed to Bring?

Yes, please visit the [When You Arrive](#) [3] section of this website to learn more about approved/not approved items. If you have a question about an item not listed on that page, please contact Carolina Housing.

When Can I Apply to be an RA?

Students can become an RA (Resident Advisor) as soon as they reach sophomore standing. The RA application

process begins during fall semester for the following academic year.

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Links

[1] <https://housing.unc.edu/residents/current-residents/housing-reassignment-request>

[2] <https://housing.unc.edu/residents/chronic-or-severe-medical-condition-accommodations-request>

[3] <https://housing.unc.edu/residence-life/your-room/your-living-space/when-you-arrive>