HI THERE! HOWDY! HELLO!

WHAT'S UP?

YOUR FYE GUIDE TO LIVING AT UNC
As a first-year student at UNC, you have the opportunity to enjoy the First-Year Experience (FYE). FYE is Carolina Housing's campus-wide, collaborative effort that provides first-year students 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 that will enable them to meet new people, immerse themselves in the UNC culture and establish valuable academic connections. Carolina Housing partners with campus offices and academic departments to create a rich and comprehensive FYE program.

CONNECT WITH US

OUR BLOG: reslife.web.unc.edu

FACEBOOK: UNC Housing offers interior views of our residence halls and apartments as well as photos of every on-campus community!

TWITTER @UNCFYE @unchousing

EMAIL US uncfye@unc.edu housing@unc.edu

INSTAGRAM @uncfye @unchousing

We offer contests and prizes throughout the year -- sometimes exclusively on social media!

OUR MISSION

Carolina Housing works to provide convenient housing that is secure, inclusive and supportive. Students create a home in our on-campus communities, build life-long friendships and develop skills for their current and future successes as they journey through their Carolina experience.
DO I HAVE TO LIVE ON CAMPUS?
Yes. Traditional first-year students are required to live on campus or at Granville Towers.

ARE THERE “FIRST-YEAR” HALLS?
Yes: Ehringhaus, Koury, Horton, Craig, Hinton James, Everett, Stacy, Graham, Aycock and Lewis. If a first-year student is enrolled in a Residential Learning Program, that student may live in the residence hall where the RLP is located.

HOW ARE ASSIGNMENTS MADE FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS?
Applications received by May 15 are assigned a random lottery number. That lottery number determines the order in which the system processes the applications. All students who apply before May 15 have an equal chance of getting assigned to one of their preferences.

To make a housing assignment, the system identifies a student’s preferences and seeks vacant rooms starting with the first choice and progressing down the list. If nothing is available in any of the locations a student prefers, a random housing assignment is made.

WHEN WILL I FIND OUT MY HOUSING ASSIGNMENT?
Typically early June for those who meet the May 15 priority date. Confirmation is initially sent by email and is also online at myhousing.unc.edu.

WHEN CAN I MOVE IN?
For 2018, first-year students can move in either Friday, August 17 or Saturday, August 18. The exact date and time is determined by where you’re living. More details will be available this summer!

DO I HAVE TO LEAVE DURING BREAKS?
Residence halls only close for Winter Break and Summer Break. For Winter Break, Carolina Housing does offer temporary break housing in Craig Hall.

HOW MUCH WILL HOUSING COST?
The double occupancy room rate is $3,305 per student, per semester ($6,610 per student, per academic year). See housing.unc.edu/rates for pricing of other room types. Rates include all utilities.

HOW WILL I BE BILLED FOR HOUSING?
For those who apply by May 15, the student’s account is billed in July and payments are due to the University Cashier. No payments are made to the Housing office.

CAN I LIVE AT GRANVILLE TOWERS?
Yes, but Granville Towers is managed by a private entity, and contracts are issued independently of Carolina Housing. It’s important to note that contracts are not transferable between Carolina Housing and Granville Towers.

You’ve Got Questions
We’ve Got Answers!

92% of our first-year students would recommend living on campus to new students.

From the 2017 EBI survey
“Being on campus my first year is one of the best experiences I could have asked for. It has given me the opportunity to connect with other first-years like me and expose myself to the hundreds of programs and organizations that I would not have interacted with otherwise.”

Gokul Dass, Hinton James

95% of our first-year students reported feeling safe in their specific room.

From the 2017 EBI survey

Number of emergency call boxes located around campus in close proximity to all residence halls

85
There are dozens of events each academic year tailored to help first-year students get the most out of their Carolina Experience. In addition to ever-popular Fall Fest, held in conjunction with the Week of Welcome, there’s so much more, including:

First-Year Fridays  
Advising In the Halls  
Food Truck Rodeo  
Career Buzz Fair  
Kickin’ It with Campus Rec  
First-Year Cultural Immersion Trip  
Minority Male Meet & Greets  
Womxn of Worth Gathering  
Safetoberfest  
Dinner with a Cop  
De-stress with the Deans & Dogs  
The Dietitian Is In
CAN I REQUEST A ROOMMATE?
Sure! You can create a roommate group with as many as 8 students (including you) when you apply online for housing. Roommate changes are allowed on your application up until May 15.
If you are applying to a Residential Learning Program, you can request a roommate, but both students must be accepted into the RLP to room together.

WHAT IF I DON’T HAVE A ROOMMATE?
No problem. We place you with another first-year student who is also going “potluck” - it’s quite common. FYI, there’s also a roommate finding feature within myhousing.unc.edu.

WHAT IF MY ROOMMATE AND I DON’T GET ALONG? CAN I CHANGE ROOMS?
We understand that not every roommate match is perfect. So, if you choose, you can request a room change through the Carolina Housing office beginning after the second week of fall semester and continuing throughout the academic year.

WHAT IF I AM INTERESTED IN LIVING WITH AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT?
Indicate you wish to live with an international student on the “My Profile” page of the housing application. Our assignments team will take care of the rest.

HONORS CAROLINA
Those students accepted to this prestigious first-year program have the opportunity to live and learn together, as students who join this community are housed in either Horton Residence Hall or Hinton James Community and are paired with an Honors Carolina roommate!
VISIT honorscarolina.unc.edu/prospective-students/honors-housing/

JUST ASK … AN RA
“Living on campus is unbeatable. My favorite thing about college is the opportunity to be involved in so many things on campus and pursue my passions through extracurricular activities, and I can’t imagine how difficult that would be if I didn’t live on campus. I’m lucky because no matter where I am on campus, my residence hall is always a safe walkable distance away.”

Kathryn DiStefano
Hinton James
### EHRINGHAUS
- **HALLS IN COMMUNITY:** Ehringhaus
- **STYLE:** 8-student suite
- **BUILDING UPDATES:** New baths in 2013 and new bedrooms in 2012
- Coed
- Window AC units
- 6 floors
- Bathroom cleaning? **YES**
- **RLP communities:** NONE

### MANNING EAST
- **HALLS IN COMMUNITY:** Koury, Horton
- **STYLE:** 4-student suite
- **BUILDING UPDATES:** Built in 2002
  - Horton is co-ed, Koury has two floors of all-female rooms and two floors of co-ed
- Central AC
- Each hall has 4 floors
- Bathroom cleaning? **NO**
- **RLP communities:** NONE

### OLDE CAMPUS LOWER QUAD
- **HALLS:** Graham, Aycock, Lewis, Everett and Stacy
- **STYLE:** Corridor
  - Graham is all-male, Aycock is all-female, Lewis, Everett and Stacy are co-ed
- Central AC
- Each hall has 3 floors
- Bathroom cleaning? **YES**
- **RLP communities:** Chancellor’s Science Scholars (Graham-Aycock)
CRAIGE
- HALLS IN COMMUNITY: Craige
- STYLE: 8-student suite
- BUILDING UPDATES: New baths and bedroom in 2012
  - Coed
  - Window AC units
  - 6 floors
  - Bathroom cleaning? YES
- RLP communities: None

HINTON JAMES
- HALLS IN COMMUNITY: Hinton James
- STYLE: 8-student suite
- BUILDING UPDATES: New baths and bedroom in 2013
  - Coed
  - Window AC units
  - 10 floors
  - Bathroom cleaning? YES
- RLP communities: Service & Leadership, First Gens

FYE COMMUNITIES
“As a Community Director, it is my mission to provide an authentic First Year Experience for each of my residents. Carolina Housing makes this mission possible by offering exciting programs, making it easy to meet new people and by offering a diverse selection of Residential Learning Programs. This allows residents to personalize their residential experience. My residents are able to immerse themselves in the quintessential Carolina experience while enjoying the convenience of quick walks to class, academic support and campus resources, which are right outside of their front door.”

Diamond Smith
Lower Quad CD

THE GREEN ROOM

Go to go.unc.edu/greenroom or scan the QR code to the left to discover sustainable ways to save energy, recycle and engage in campus activities.

10
Number of food trucks offered at the Food Truck Rodeo in 2017. This annual event draws thousands of students every Halloween Night.

12
Number of on-campus fitness facilities, including gyms, climbing walls, weight rooms and swimming pools.
TRIP TO TRINIDAD

Each year, FYE offers a First-Year Cultural Immersion Trip. In 2017, interested first-year students spent their Fall Break traveling to Trinidad, visiting the University of the West Indies at St. Augustine and volunteering at the Wildlife Orphanage and Rehabilitation Center.

“My first experience out of the country was definitely one that I will not forget. Seeing many people of color interacting in harmony and being able to hear them talk about the love of their country made me beyond happy. Being able to engage in thoughtful conversation with my peers and see the wildlife of Trinidad opened my mind to the world around me.”

Number of students who attend our annual Safetoberfest event, one of FYE’s largest events.

1,000

90% of our first-year students responded that they are overall satisfied with their on-campus housing experience.

From the 2017 EBI survey
FOOD TRUCK RODEO

One of our fastest-growing First Year Experience events takes place every Halloween night -- it’s the Food Truck Rodeo! Moving into its fifth year, the Food Truck Rodeo gets bigger and better each Halloween, offering more food trucks and, thus, more options, for all those hungry Tar Heels enjoying Chapel Hill’s signature Halloween celebration!

TAKE A TOUR!

If you’re interested in seeing an example of a room in one of our residence halls, stop by the Admissions Office for a campus tour. Visitors can check out a model room in Alexander Residence Hall!

JUST ASK ... A STUDENT

“I love living on campus because I feel so connected to the entire Carolina community, and especially the first years in my building. My dorm is within walking distance of everything I need, and there’s always something fun going on nearby. I always joke about it, but living on campus has made Ehringhaus into my Ehringhome, and I love it!”

Maura Elise Holt-Ling
Ehringhaus
**HOUSING BY ACADEMIC INTERESTS**

If you are interested in living with those that have similar academic interests, Carolina Housing has a new opportunity just for you! There’s no mandatory classes connected to this housing option. Students with similar academic interests have the opportunity to live together and build a strong community that focuses on mutual support. The four categories of housing by academic interest for 2018-19 include:

**BUSINESS**

Explore various business majors by creating a network of individuals who share your interest in marketing, entrepreneurship, management, finance, or accounting. Students will learn about opportunities and programs offered by the Kenan-Flagler business school in addition to connecting with the Undergraduate Business Ambassadors.

**THE ARTS (PERFORMING ARTS, VISUAL ARTS & CREATIVE WRITING)**

Explore, create, and innovate in this community designed to support artistic endeavors. Get connected with peers who share similar artistic aspirations and interests.

**HEALTH SCIENCES/PRE-MED**

This community is ideal for students interested in networking around their interest in healthcare, including medicine, physical therapy, occupational therapy, pharmacy, and nursing.

**MEDIA STUDIES & JOURNALISM**

Start here and never stop! Surround yourself other students who have the same interest and excitement for the role of communication in fostering democracy. Network with them while discovering opportunities for internships, and learning experiences. The MJ-School ambassadors will help students navigate and succeed through the UNC school of Media and Journalism.

**HOW TO APPLY**

The great thing about applying for housing by academic interest is that the option is built right into the housing application! When you apply at myhousing.unc.edu, you have the option to select one of the areas of interest listed here. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO SELECT ANY OF THESE OPTIONS. If you decide to choose an option, select it from the drop-down menu and proceed through the application.
WHAT EXACTLY IS A RESIDENTIAL LEARNING PROGRAM (RLP)?

Residential Learning Programs (RLPs) connect classroom learning with residence life. You enjoy all the usual advantages of living on campus, with the added benefit of living among a group of students eager to make connections and explore their passions and interests.

WHAT'S INVOLVED IN AN RLP?

Members of an RLP meet on a regular basis to plan and participate in discussion groups and seminars. There’s awesome social events that the group also plans and occasional interaction with the faculty.

IS THERE A MAJOR TIME COMMITMENT?

An RLP is not meant to eat into study time, it is meant to supplement it. Students typically spend about 2-4 hours a week on RLP activities, depending on the project.

WILL I MISS OUT ON THE FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE IF I JOIN AN RLP?

Not at all! First-year students involved in an RLP are welcome at all FYE events.

WHERE DO I LIVE IF I'M IN AN RLP?

Participants in an RLP live together in one residence hall. If you’re a first-year student and you are accepted to an RLP that is not located in a first-year hall, you live where the RLP is located.

HOW MANY RLPS ARE THERE?

For the 2018-19 academic year, Carolina Housing offers 10 RLPs that first-year students can join. They include Blue Community, Balance House, Chancellor’s Science Scholars (invitation only), First Gens, Global Scholars House, Outdoor Pursuits, Service & Leadership, Recovery House, WELL, and Pride Place.
GLOBAL SCHOLARS HOUSE
Location: Craige North
Global Scholars feeds your desire to learn about other cultures through language and social events and seeks to provide leadership development and service opportunities.

W.E.L.L.
Location: McIver
W.E.L.L. is about interpersonal relationships and an investment in community, along with an appreciation of gender-expression. There are two retreats per year, along with workshops, training sessions and community gatherings.

BALANCE/RECOVERY HOUSE
Location: Joyner
Balance places an emphasis on healthy living, with programs, classes and events designed to teach you what it means to be healthy in all aspects of life. Balance focuses on all eight dimensions of wellness.

Recovery House is a subset of Balance House and works in conjunction of the Carolina Recovery Program to support students through continued recovery while strengthening bonds with the community.

BLUE
Location: Carmichael
The Blue learning program gives you access to a massive design space with creation tools such as 3-D printers. This RLP welcomes dreamers who want to become doers.

PRIDE PLACE
Location: Cobb
Pride Place is committed to the personal wellness and academic success of students of all sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions. This is a community where every student can feel safe, included and empowered.

CHANCELLOR'S SCIENCE SCHOLARS
Location: Aycock-Graham
CSS aims to prepare students to enter PhD or combined MD/PhD programs in mathematics, physics, chemistry, biology and biomedical science, engineering, computer science or other related STEM disciplines. This program is invitation only.

HOW TO APPLY TO AN RLP
First, apply for housing at myhousing.unc.edu. Once you are done with your housing application, you can apply to an RLP. The RLP application priority deadline is April 26, 2018. You may still apply after that, but spaces may be limited.

FIRST GENS
Location: Hinton James
First Gens takes into consideration the challenges and nuances of being a first generation college student and offers resources, support and cultivated relationships to promote success at Carolina.

SERVICE & LEADERSHIP
Location: Hinton James
Service & Leadership stresses social consciousness and leadership skills and is ideal for students who have a passion for community outreach and public service.

OUTDOOR PURSUITS
Location: Teague
This RLP is about pursuing health and well-being through connecting with other Tar Heels in the outdoors. Open to all experience levels and outdoor interests. We aim to be as inclusive as possible.
You must submit a housing application by this date at myhousing.unc.edu in order to be entered in the housing lottery for the 2018-19 school year!

IF YOU MISS THIS DEADLINE, no problem, you can still apply for housing after May 15. However, you will not be entered in the housing lottery. You may not get your first choice, but you’ll still get a great room!

Go to maps.unc.edu, then select Buildings > Housing to get 360 degree tours of rooms and bathrooms in our residence halls. You can sort halls by community, floor plan and location to help you plan your on-campus housing strategy.