Stony Brook University
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Room Selection 2020-2021 Information Session
To Participate in Room Selection 2020-2021

Begins February 17 in the Housing Portal!

Residents must:
• Have your University account in good financial standing with no financial blocks.
• Not be impacted by the 6 or 8 semester housing policy.
• Pay $200 room deposit and start your 2020-2021 Housing Application in the portal by March 12, 2020 at 11:59 PM (2020-2021 RAs, Returning Graduate Students, and EOP Students do not pay the room deposit.)
• Complete online room selection by 11:59 PM April 9.
Changes to the Process

- Gender Inclusive Housing Sign Up/Renewal Process.
- No Friday Selections in Phase 2 of the Process.
- Extended Room Swap and Change periods.
- Waitlists delayed until July 13 at 11:00 AM.
- Undergraduate Housing Agreements start on Saturday, August 22 (two days before classes).
Students who do not complete room selection by 11:59 PM on April 9 will not have housing for the 2020-2021 Agreement Period.
Timeline Overview

Phase 1 -- Deposit, Application, and if available, Return to Current Room
● Monday, February 17 until Thursday, March 12

Phase 2 -- Selecting a Room
● Select Current Building as an Individual: Tuesday, March 24 until Thursday, March 26.
● Group Select a Building that a Group Member Currently Resides in: Tuesday, March 31 until Thursday, April 2.
● Select Any Available Space Alone Or with a Group: Tuesday, April 7 until Thursday, April 9.

Phase 3 -- Room Swap and Change
Undergraduate Housing Agreements
● Room Swap with someone else: Monday, April 13 until Thursday, July 9.
● Room Change to vacant space Monday, April 13 until Thursday, April 16 and Monday, July 6 until Thursday, July 9.

Graduate Housing Agreements
● Room Swap and Room Change: Monday, April 13 until Thursday, April 30.

Phase 4 -- Waitlists
Available in the housing portal starting Monday, July 13 at 11 AM.
During Phase 1 - Return to same space:

If you select “return to your room,” you can undo this action until 11 PM on March 12.

After this point, once a selection is made, it cannot be undone. You cannot pull people into your space once you have a confirmed booking.
How can I get what I want?

Prioritize what is most important to you: either where you want to live or who you want to live with. The later the time slot you have, the less likely your ideal outcome is to happen.

If your building is the most important to you...
...and your current room is available, select it in Phase 1.
...and you are displaced from your current room, select during the first week of phase 2 going alone.

If the people you wish to live with are the most important to you...
...and you are ok with your building or someone else in your group’s building, second week of phase 2 as a group filling remaining spaces. Recommend to choose the building of the person with the earliest time slot.

Third week of phase 2, go anywhere week anything can happen. Unpredictable on what is available.
Why is my room not available to return to?

Rooms are blocked for a variety of reasons (3,000+ students are impacted by this every year):

- New Student Space Holds (2020-2021 will rebalance distributions among quads and buildings within quads so there is a similar amount of residential first years per UGC)
- RA Rooms
- Renovations/Facilities projects
- Gender changes to accommodate more or less of gender based housing and Gender Inclusive Housing
- Second Year Living Community Program Expansion in Lauterbur Hall
- Previous survey feedback has solicited that students want to remain the ability to return to same room if available and that having a week of return to same building alone are the best appealing options.
- If you are a current first year with a late time slot and cannot choose return to same room, it may be difficult to select current building as an individual (Week 1, Phase 2).
RAs Selecting a Space

- Hired for a 2020-2021 RA position.
- Select their room assignment and the room assignments for all preferred roommates (including suite and apartment spaces).
- Your roommates/suitemates must be eligible to live on campus, paid deposit, and meet eligibility if in West/Chávez/Tubman.
- If a potential roommate selects a space in return to same room, they cannot be part of your selection as they are done with the process.
- Must select on March 23, 2020 only.
- RAs can select anytime between 11 AM-11:59 PM on 3/23.
- Failure to select on March 23 will result in the RA being administratively placed by themselves with no roommate preferences.
**SBU Credits Determine Phase 2 Selection Times**

- Phase 2 selection times are based on the number of SBU Credits each student has, as you are more likely to have spent more time in Campus Residences Housing than those who have AP or transfer credits.
- Includes current semester enrollment and earned SBU credits.
- Phase 2 - Time slots are hourly Tuesday-Thursday with the first group starting at 11am and last group starting at 8pm.
- After your time slot has started in a week, you can make selections anytime between 11am-11:59 PM Tuesday-Thursday. This means people with the last time slot only have from 8 PM-11:59 PM on Thursdays of the selection process.
Where can I find my Phase 2 selection time?

On Summary of Process & Room Selection 2020 Pages in the “Phase 2 - Selecting a Room” Section

- Each week you will have a room selection start day and time.
- Selections can be made Tuesday through Thursday 11:00 AM - 11:59 PM but no earlier than your designated room selection day and time.
- Every Friday prior to the next phase of room selection week, our vacant space list is updated by 5:00 PM for the next phase of room selection.
  Space availability varies from week to week to maximize availability throughout all weeks of room selection.

**Process Timeline for Phase 2**

- Self-Select Current Building as an Individual: **Tuesday, March 24 to Thursday, March 26**
- Group Select Any Building Group Members Reside in Currently: **Tuesday, March 31 to Thursday, April 2** (Groups must fill the remaining spaces of a suite or apartment in order to select.)
- Select Any Available Space Alone Or Group: **Tuesday, April 7 to Thursday, April 9** (Campus Residences Central Office will have extended office hours 5pm-9pm for assistance.)

Each week of Phase 2, your room selection start time is Tuesday at 02:00 PM.
Creating a Group

• You do not have to form groups to choose a room assignment.

• If in a group, you must select a room, suite, or apartment for all members of your group or edit your group prior to selection.

• Any member of the group can select spaces for the entire group. You accept the type of space, including any conditions associated with that space such as cost, air conditioning, cooking, non-cooking, substance free, and quiet living.

• If you get dropped from a group at the last minute, you still need to complete room selection by 11:59 PM on April 9.
Forming Groups

You are encouraged to build groups with other students with whom you would like to live.

Group Formation Pages

#1 - Roommate Preferences
#2 - Type Preferences
#3 - Room Location Preferences

The University encourages you to be open to multiple housing options. This tool is to help you find potential roommates in order to create roommate, suite and apartment groups. This does not guarantee you housing in a specific location on campus or type of room.
Phase 2 -- Important Notes

- Select Current Building as an Individual: Tuesday, March 24 until Thursday, March 26
  - You and you alone make a selection in any available space.

- Group Select a Building that a Group Member Currently Resides in: Tuesday, March 31 until Thursday, April 2
  - Must fill remaining spaces with your group size.
  - You will only see spaces that exactly match your group size.
  - May require you to find an additional person or drop someone to see different options.

- Select Any Available Space Alone Or with a Group: Tuesday, April 7 until Thursday, April 9
  - If in a group, you do not have to fill remaining bed spaces in a room/suite/apartment.
  - Space availability does become limited during this phase of the process.
Vacant Space Filter

• To view the most accurate list of available spaces, students should look at the Interactive Space Filter after 5:00 PM of the Friday prior to the week of the Room Selection process that they will participate in.

• To maximize the ability of students finding a space in the community they hope to live in, spaces will be placed on administrative hold during spring break.

• Some of the spaces initially placed on hold will be released each Friday after 5 PM.

• The Vacant Space Filter provides Room Listing and Group Size Availability Counts.
6/8 Semester Appeals

For students originally admitted as transfers, and this is their 6th or more semester on campus... OR
For students originally admitted as first years, and this is their 8th or more semester on campus...

...housing is no longer guaranteed.

A notification was sent the week of February 10 stating that impacted students need to submit an appeal in the portal should they still need on campus housing. Some students are sent an automatically approved notification due to the nature of their academic program.
Gender Inclusive Housing

Choosing to live in GIH is an agreement for the whole year, and you will not be permitted to room change to a non-GIH space after being approved.

Similarly, if you do not choose to live in GIH for the upcoming year, you will only be able to choose rooms based on the gender identity listed on your student record.

Appeals to leave or join GIH mid-year can be on the appeals tab.

Gender Inclusive Housing is not recommended or intended for:

• Living with significant others
• Living with specific people
• To get a space within a specific location within housing.
Gender Inclusive Housing

• If you are interested, you must complete the GIH tab in the housing portal by March 12 at 11:59 PM.

• If you are currently in GIH, you must do this process by the deadline above if you wish to maintain a space in Gender Inclusive Housing. It is a yearly agreement. You will not be able to renew into your room until you complete this process.

• Over spring break, we make sure GIH spaces exist for the amount of students needed in general locations of interest pulled from the profile questions.
Selecting to live in West, Chávez, & Tubman, Quiet Living, and Substance Free Buildings

If you have policy violations while living in these areas, you may be relocated out of the area depending on incident details or frequency of issues.
West, Chávez, & Tubman Undergraduate Eligibility

Enforced at time of Application
• Good judicial standing
• 57 Credits (including current enrollment)
• 2.75 Cumulative GPA

Not there this semester? Find someone who lives there and wants you in their group to get you over there during week 2 of phase 2 or hope that a space is still available at your time slot during week 3.

If you are not eligible at time of selection, you can add yourself to a waitlist for these respective areas once you are eligible and the waitlist is live.
# Second Year Living Community (2YLC)

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| The Second Year Living Community, or 2YLC, is a program housed in Lauterbur Hall where participants will have the opportunity to develop personally and professionally through intentional programs, reflections, and faculty connections. | All residents who will be going into their second year.  
- No GPA Minimum  
- No Conduct Check  
- Class Standing not relevant (U2,U3,U4) | Active participation by attending a set number of events or initiatives within Lauterbur Hall and on campus  
- Monthly reflections on personal and professional growth  
- Abide by Lauterbur Hall's Substance Free Community policy |

Application is live on Campus Residences website
I didn’t get what I wanted, now what?

**Room change options** - times where you can see and select any vacant space you are eligible for.

**Room swap periods** - times where you can do a 1 for 1 swap with another person as long as you are both eligible. Also a great tool to fix misplaced people within your suite or apartment when originally selecting.

**Waitlists** for high demand areas and those who missed room selection (Commuter waitlist).
Undergraduates - Room Change and Room Swap

Room Change Periods - Two times to select any vacant space (eligibility enforced).
  ● Monday, April 13 until Thursday, April 16 & Monday, July 6 until Thursday, July 9

Room Swap Period - Extended time frame this year. You will not be able to swap with first years. Pay attention to room type and information when swapping to ensure you do not accidentally swap yourself into a temporary triple with a new transfer. Rooms will be listed as “Temporary triple” along with other comments.
  ● Monday, April 13 until Thursday July 9
  ● You nominate your space.
  ● You shop other nominated spaces and propose a switch.
  ● Both parties confirm the switch and you are automatically switched bookings.

Graduates - Room Change and Swap

  • Room Swap & Change are available Monday, April 13 until Thursday April 30.
Waiting Lists

• Available in the housing portal starting Monday, July 13 at 11 AM.
• Must meet eligibility requirements for an area.
• People without on campus housing can only be on the Commuter Waitlist.
• High demand options (Chávez/Tubman, West, Chapin, Schomburg, Roosevelt Single) are only for students with on campus housing assignments already.
• All must recertify monthly starting August 1, that they are still interested in being on their waitlist and make any updates to their waitlists. Failure to recertify by end of the month will result in removal from all waitlists.
• Most offers tend to be over the winter break period.
• Generally go in order of the waitlist, but may skip order to get more people out of areas that still have a high number of temporary triples.
Important Financial Information

- If you miss the deadline to select, your deposit will be refunded late Spring.
- If you select a space but cancel prior to checking in, your deposit:
  - Prior to August 15, $100 refunded and after August 15, $0 refunded.
  - To cancel, email reside@stonybrook.edu include name, ID #, and request.
  - Cancel and change your mind, you would use the commuter waitlists.
- Financial Liability means you are liable until the end of your agreement once you check into your space (May 19, 2021 for Undergraduate Agreements and June 1, 2021 for Graduate Agreements).
  - If you graduate, withdraw, or participate in an approved SBU external study, you will be released from your housing agreement at that time.
  - Extenuating life circumstances may happen, and you can submit a financial liability appeal in the housing portal. Requires statement and documentation.
Graduate Housing Agreement Information

Newly Admitted Graduate Students for Fall 2020 - DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN RETURNING ROOM SELECTION. Will participate in New Student Selection in May-June.

Not Returning to Housing for 2020-2021 Agreement Period - If you do not renew housing, you will need to move out of your current assignment no later than May 31, 2020 at noon.

Selecting the Same Space for 2020-2021 - If you renew to the same assignment, your financial liability for the 2020-2021 agreement period begins if you are still occupying the space as of June 1, 2020.

Selecting a Different Space for 2020-2021 - If you renew housing to a different assignment between two agreement years, you will have a staggered move schedule. You need to be available during the last week of May through mid-June to complete the room change. Financial liability begins upon receiving the key to your new space.

Short Term Housing Agreements - June 1- July 15 2020 time period.

- May request through the Room Selection process up until March 12 at 11:59 PM.
- “Short Term” Housing decisions are binding. May move out earlier but cannot extend beyond July 15, 2020.
- “Short Term” Housing residents may only select their current assignment. If the space is not available, the option will be to move to a space in the West Apartments on May 31 until their agreement ends.
- Do not select “Short Term” if you need housing beyond July 15. If you are graduating in August, renew for the year and you will be approved to leave in the month you graduate.
More Details & Portal Demonstration at stonybrook.edu/housing and click on roomselection
Questions

Students who do not select housing by April 9 11:59 PM will not have housing for the 2020-2021 academic year.