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Greetings from the Office of Residential Life & Housing,

We are gearing up for another exciting year! Please carefully review the updates below regarding student housing for the 2022-2023 academic year.

We will have approximately 1,500 rooms available for returning sophomores, juniors, seniors, and graduate students who desire to live on campus during the 2022-2023 academic year. Housing is provided on a **first-come**, **first-serve basis**. If additional rooms become available, students will be notified by August 1, 2022. Once the housing capacity has been reached, returning students are encouraged to seek housing options off-campus.

The Ernest Knight Living Learning Complex, Hugine Living Learning Complex, and Normal Hills Student Apartments will continue to offer a non-traditional living option for returning students which includes suites/units, based on gender, throughout the buildings.

The Hugine Living Learning Complex will house returning students that have at least **31** earned/passed credit hours as of Fall 2021, and First-time Freshmen who have earned greater than 15 hours. Normal Hills Student Apartments will house returning students that have at least **64** earned/passed credit hours including graduate students as of Fall 2021, and Sophomores who have earned greater than 55 credit hours.

It is very important for students to register for housing *early*. The priority application process opens on April 18, 2022, and will close on May 2, 2022. This year, priority will be given to student classification, starting with graduate students, seniors, juniors, and sophomores/returning freshmen. Each student classification will be given a designated date to complete the registration process. Returning students desiring to live on campus for the 2022-2023 academic year *must meet the following criteria*:

- Pre-register for Fall 2022 classes: minimum of 12 credit hours (undergraduate students) and a minimum of 9 credit hours (graduate students).
- Pay a \$100 non-refundable application fee
- Pay a \$250 deposit (should already be on file before registration opens)
- Have a 2022-2023 FASFA on file (International students are not required to have a FASFA).

For additional information regarding our fall housing registration and move-in processes, please visit our website at www.aamu.edu/housing. If you have questions, please contact the Housing office at 256.372.5797 or housing@aamu.edu.

Sincerely,

Karla Miller

Director, Office of Residential Life & Housing

Frequently Asked Questions

1. I am not sure what student classification means or the credit hours associated with it?

If you have earned/passed	Then you are a
0-30 semester hours	Freshmen
31-63 semester hours	Sophomore
64-94 semester hours	Junior
95 or more semester hours	Senior
Master's or Doctoral Degree	Graduate student

2. I am a returning student, what if my deposit is not on file?

Please log into the housing portal now, and pay your deposit until April 18th ending at 11:59 pm.

Returning students should have a deposit already on file unless you canceled your assignment and requested it to be refunded. However, the ability to pay the fee will be available to all returning students (only) in the housing portal <u>IF</u> you need to pay it.

Please do not pay the deposit if it is already on file. Please contact housing@aamu.edu to verify your deposit is on file before paying. Make sure you include your name and student id number in your request.

If you access this application without reading, you will not be refunded until the end of the semester. This application is only meant to allow students to pay their deposit before the application process opens.

3. I am a returning student applying for housing, why am I unable to access the housing application?

If you are a returning student, and you cannot access the housing application you may not have met the criteria. Please make sure the following has been met before you apply.

- Have the 2022-2023 FAFSA, or a verifiable method of payment, on file with Financial Aid
- Pre-register for Fall 2022 classes: minimum 12 credit hours (undergraduate students) and minimum 9 credit hours (graduate students)
- Pay \$100 non-refundable application fee
- Pay the \$250 deposit (Which should already be on file)

4. I am a returning student and there is a "hold" on my account. Will this keep me from applying for housing?

Yes. If you have a "hold" on your account, it will prevent you from registering for classes. Now is the time to have those "holds" removed. The most common "holds" are the following:

- Medical, you need to submit your documents to the Health and Counseling Center.
- Accounts Receivable (A/R), you need to make an appointment to schedule a payment plan. After all your aid has posted, and you still have a balance. Use the virtual lines to make an appointment https://www.aamu.edu/campus-life/virtual-lines.html

If your financial aid has not posted, along with accepting your loans. You need to reach out to financial aid first by making an appointment using the Virtual Lines https://www.aamu.edu/campus-life/virtual-lines.html

• Judicial, you need to complete the sanctions given based on your Student Conduct Issue.

It is the students responsibly to take care of having the "holds" removed. No excuses. However, it is the various offices responsibility to respond to your issue in a timely manner. You are welcome to reach out to housing@aamu.edu for directions on how to proceed.

- 5. Do I need to complete the criteria listed before applying? Yes
- 6. Can I skip some of the criteria listed and apply for housing? No
- 7. I want to apply to stay in normal hills for Fall 2022, I will be a junior at the end of the semester, will normal hills be available for me to choose?

You will only be able to select Normal Hills as an option if have passed/earned 55 plus hours at the time you apply for housing. The current semester and/or future hours anticipated completing normally are not considered. However, we are making this concession for students who are close to earning 64 credit hours.

8. I want to room with my friend what do I need to do?

All students wishing to reside together must meet all application criteria in order to access the housing application. You need to send a roommate request to your friend within the housing portal. Once they approve, only one person needs to choose the room. Wherever you go your friend will show up.

Also, I do not know who to room with; how can I find a compatible roommate?

You will receive an e-mail from **My College Roomie before the housing application opens**. Once you have signed up, you can start looking for a roommate. After you match with someone, you will be able to choose them as your roommate once the process opens. Do not choose a room before completing the roommate match. Only one person needs to choose the room. Wherever you go, your approved roommate will automatically follow.

- 9. I don't see the residence hall/apartment community that I desire to reside. Can my application be canceled and resubmitted? No
- 10. If I do not select a room because I do not see the hall, complex, or community desired, can my application fee be refunded? No. Students who pay the nonrefundable application fee are only eligible to choose an assignment, which is based on availability.
- 11. **If a selection is not made, will housing assign me to a room?** No. It is very important not to delay your housing selection.