

Guide to Residence Living



Welcome from our Directors

Welcome to Jacksonville State University (Jax State) Housing,

Now that you have found your way to the “Friendliest Campus in the South,” we are sure you will find Jax State Housing as your new “Home Away from Home.” It is our belief that residing on campus can be a very exciting and transformative part of your collegiate experience. You will have many opportunities for involvement, activities, and meeting new life-long friends. Most importantly, you can live, study, and succeed among a community of your peers. As a member of our on-campus community, the following guide is provided so that you may know the policies, procedures, and information related to residential life at Jax State. Maintaining a safe and healthy environment is a shared responsibility. Let us all do our part to make sure that we protect ourselves and our fellow Gamecocks.

In Jax State Housing, we believe that learning does not end in the classroom but is enhanced by students interacting with a diverse group of fellow residents, participating in leadership opportunities, and engaging in social, educational, and service activities. We

encourage you to get involved and attend our programs, which are designed to provide information to help you succeed as a Jax State Gamecock. We hope you will take advantage of these opportunities to fully develop your skills and abilities.

In addition, the Jax State Housing staff is dedicated to creating a living and learning environment that supports your personal growth and educational accomplishments. It is our mission to continue supporting the academic mission of Jax State by fostering a vibrant living and learning community that cultivates personal development, celebrates diversity, promotes leadership, and enhances the educational experience of each resident. We appreciate your commitment and support of our mission, vision, and goals as positive and productive citizens of the Jax State Housing community.

We hope your stay in Jax State Housing is full of memorable experiences. #LiveCocky

Sincerely,

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Housing Operations and Residence Life Information, Policies, and Procedures

The following information consists of important policies, procedures, and information that will be helpful as residents residing in university housing. Please review the information and continue to use it as a resource throughout the academic year. The policies contained in the Guide to Residence Living have been written to provide a living environment that is supportive of the resident's academic pursuits. The policies also reflect a need to be supportive of local, state, and federal laws.

The residential living experience is designed to enhance academic success, provide a general feeling of satisfaction, and a total residential experience that balances comfortable facilities, comprehensive programs, and services. While structured policies are part of community living, the ideal community will be governed by behavior that considers respect for self, others, and facilities.

In addition to knowing the Housing Operations and Residence Life (HRL) policies and procedures, residents are encouraged to become familiar with the [Jax State Student Handbook](#). Disregard for others or Jax State and the HRL policies, procedures, or regulations, may result in a referral to the [Office of Community Standards](#). Residents of The Edge are responsible for knowing additional Taylor Real Estate guidelines and policies.

Housing Staff

Jax State Housing Operations and Residence Life Staff



Professional Staff



Housing Operations Student Staff



Residence Life Student Staff



Lease Information

Appeals Board



Buyout Process



Cancellation of Housing by Resident



Eligibility to Live in On Campus



Eviction Process



Payment for University Housing



Reapplication



Refund Policy and Schedule



Living on Campus

Abandoned Personal Property	+
Appliances	+
Cable	+
Check In/Check-Out Procedures	+
Complaints	+
Food Services	+
Hall Closings	+
Laundry Facilities	+
Mail Services	+
Maintenance	+
Pest Control	+
Pets	+
Private Rooms	+
Programming	+
Renter's Insurance	+
Room Changes	+
Room Entries and Inspections	+
Room/Suite/Apartment Condition	+
Sharps Container and Syringes	+

Sleep/Study Atmosphere



Study Lounges



Temperature



Theft, Loss, or Damage of Personal Property



Utilities



Vending Machines



Campus Partners

Campus Dining Services



Building Services/Housekeeping Services



Capital Planning and Facilities



University Police Department



Student Health Services



Conduct

Acts of Misconduct



Administrative Dismissal



Community Responsibility



Community Standards



As a member of the HRL community, each member is expected to abide by and affirm the following community standards:

- I will respect the dignity of all persons and will not demean individuals or groups.
- I will strive to learn from differences in people, ideas, and opinions.
- I will strive for personal integrity and academic achievement.
- I will demonstrate concern for others, which will support their development.
- I will respect the rights and property of others.
- I will do all in my power to see that the residence hall/apartment area is kept clean and attractive.
- I will challenge all members of the community to abide by their fundamental expectations and will confront, in an appropriate manner, those who violate them.
- I will respect the community property.

Compliance



Disciplinary Process and Code of Student Conduct



General Expectations



Acts of Misconduct

Alcohol Policy



Antennas/Satellite Dishes



Appliances



Balconies/Patios/Porches	+
Bicycles/Scooters	+
Children	+
Courtesy and Quiet Hours	+
Doors	+
Elevators	+
Furniture	+
Grills	+
Grounds	+
Hall Sports/Horse Play	+
Health and Safety Inspections	+
Keys	+
Mandatory Meetings	+
Open Flames	+

Posting Policy -

The posting of materials in public areas must be approved by the HRL office which reserves the right to refuse such postings that contain rude, vulgar, indecent, or obscene expressions.

- Hallways and windows are also considered public areas and are subject to the same restrictions as other public postings.
- Only HRL staff members may post and remove banners, posters, flyers and other printed materials in the residence halls or apartment complexes.

- Recognized student clubs/organizations may submit to HRL **one flyer or poster for posting** in each lobby area of the residence halls or apartments. HRL will determine if the items may be posted.
- To protect residents from unwanted disturbances, flyers, booklets, magazines and any other advertisement must be approved in advanced to be posted or placed in the residence halls or apartment complexes.
- HRL will approve items with an HRL stamp. Items that do not have the stamp and approval of the HRL will be removed immediately from bulletin boards, lobby areas, etc.
- Only HRL functions or announcements may be placed in the glass areas of residence halls and apartment complexes.
- Flyers are not permitted to be posted on entrance doorways.
- Establishments not associated with the university (i.e., businesses, restaurants, taverns) may not post flyers in any residential area.

Profanity/Obscenity



Public Areas



Responsibility for the Room (Damages/Decorations)



Roommate Trespassing



Smoke Detectors



Smoking Policy



Stereos/Audio Equipment



Trash



Vandalism



Visitation



Windows



Residence Hall and Apartment Damage Charges

General Information about Charges	+
Keys	+
General	+
Furnishing	+
Cleaning	+
Cancellation Fee	+
Health and Safety	+
Maintenance	+
Judicial	+

Safety and Security

Alcohol Poisoning	+
Crime Reporting Procedures	+
Dangerous Person/Active Shooter	+
Doors	+
False Fire Alarms	+
Fire	+

Fire Drills	+
Fire Safety Regulations	+
Hostage Procedures	+
Inclement Weather	+
Medical Emergencies	+
Personal Safety in the Residence Halls	+
Police Adopt-A Hall Program	+
Police Escort	+
Resident's Responsibility for Security	+
Safety on Campus	+
Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence	+
Theft Prevention	+
Trespass List	+
University Police Department (UPD)	+

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