

American University

Washington College of Law - Housing FAQs

WHEN CAN I CHECK-IN?

WCL summer students may check in at the Cassell Hall front desk any time after 3pm on the assigned check-in date. The front desk is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Present your photo ID to the front desk staff, and they will register you and give you your room.

WHAT TIME IS CHECK-OUT?

Check-out is at 12:00 pm on the last day of your reservation. All students must check out on August 12, 2017 by 12:00 pm.

WHERE ARE YOU LOCATED?

American University is located at 4400 Massachusetts Ave, Washington, DC 20016, in one of northwest Washington, DC's most beautiful residential areas; AU is just minutes by bus, cab, Metro, or car from the city's most famous sites.

[Click here for directions to campus.](#)

ARE ALL OF YOUR RESIDENCE HALLS AIR-CONDITIONED?

Yes, all of the residence halls come equipped with air-conditioning.

IS HOUSEKEEPING AVAILABLE DURING MY STAY?

No, housekeeping is not available.

DOES UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE & GUEST SERVICES PROVIDE CLEANING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FOR RESIDENTS?

No. University Conference & Guest Services assumes responsibility for the cleaning of common area and community spaces while the responsibility for the cleaning of student rooms and/or suites remains with the residents of that unit. Residents are encouraged to supply their own cleaning materials in order to maintain a healthy and safe living condition in their unit. Our office and staff do not provide vacuum cleaners or other cleaning supplies for use by students. Failure to do so may result in cleaning charges assessed at the time of checkout.

HOW MANY LAUNDRY MACHINES ARE ON EACH FLOOR AND HOW MUCH DO THEY COST?

Each floor of the residence halls has approximately two-three washers and dryers. Each wash cycle costs \$1.75 and each dry cycle costs \$1.75. On-campus laundry machines operate on [EagleBucks](#) for increased student convenience.

WHAT ARE EAGLEBUCKS?

EagleBucks are a convenient, cashless way to make purchases both on campus and at many popular off-campus businesses. Like using a debit card, funds are deducted from your summer guest card as purchases are made. EagleBucks can be used both on and off campus; Vending machines across campus accept EagleBucks, and EagleBucks are the only form of payment accepted for on-campus laundry.

WHEN DO EAGLEBUCKS EXPIRE?

EagleBucks expire on your departure date. We cannot refund unused EagleBucks at the end of your stay.

ARE MEAL PLANS AVAILABLE?

No, meal plans are not available for summer WCL students.

ARE REFRIGERATORS PROVIDED IN CASSELL HALL?

No, refrigerators are not available in Cassell Hall, however, you may rent a refrigerator by visiting <https://www.myfridgerental.com/>. Students who rent a refrigerator are responsible for paying all applicable fees to My Fridge Rental and coordinating delivery/pick-up directly with the company.

I AM OVER 21, CAN I BRING ALCOHOL INTO THE RESIDENCE HALLS?

No, alcohol is not permitted in any American University residence hall.

WHAT ARE THE RULES FOR SMOKING ON-CAMPUS?

AU is officially a tobacco and smoke free campus.

IS CASSELL HALL ADA ACCESSIBLE?

Yes, Cassell Hall is accessible for individuals who require mobility accommodations.

IF I AM PLACED IN A DOUBLE ROOM, WILL MY ROOMMATE ALSO BE A WCL STUDENT?

Yes, we house students together in the same rooms and in the same building so that you can share a feeling of community with the others in your area. If you would like to share a room with friend, who is also a WCL student, you must specify the roommate name on your application. Students who choose the double room option, without listing a specific roommate, will be assigned a roommate.

HOW SECURE IS YOUR CAMPUS?

Our residence halls are only accessible to summer guests with a Summer 2017 Guest Card, or a One Card for students living on campus. Also, the residence halls are staffed with campus hosts at front desks on each side of campus. Additionally, our public safety officers patrol campus regularly, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

ARE YOU NEARBY A METRO STOP?

Yes, we are closest to the Tenleytown/American University Metro stop. The university shuttle runs directly from that Metro station to the campus and is complimentary for AU students, faculty, staff, interns, and summer guests.

DO YOU PROVIDE LINENS?

Linens, a blanket, pillow, pillowcase, and towel are provided for students.

WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY ACTUAL ROOM ASSIGNMENT?

You will receive your room assignment at check-in.

CAN I RECEIVE MAIL?

Mail Services are not available.

WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

We encourage you to keep in mind that you will only be in Washington DC for a very short time and that your stay here will likely keep you very busy. When packing for your internship and your room, we recommend the following items as a beginning packing list:

- Laptop or Computer
- Bed linens, blankets & pillows
- Towels/Bathroom Linens
- Clothing & Shoes
- Toiletries & Shower Caddy
- Umbrella/Poncho
- Bathrobe
- Television/VCR/DVD player
- Shower shoes
- [Mini-refrigerator](#)

IS PARKING AVAILABLE?

In an effort to decrease the carbon footprint on campus, alternatives to parking, such as use of public transportation, are strongly encouraged. However, if you require parking on campus this summer, please keep the following in mind:

- Metered parking is available at the School of International Service (SIS) and at the Katzen Arts Center. The day rate is \$16.00. Pay-As-You-Go machines accept cash and major credit cards and are located in the elevator lobbies of SIS and Katzen.
- Monthly parking permits need to be purchased in advance from [Parking and Traffic Services](#). Any special requests or handicap parking permits must be accompanied by a doctor's notice to Public Safety upon arrival to campus. All final requests for parking permits are due no less than two weeks prior to the start date of your conference program.

WHAT CAN I NOT BRING?

Your safety is important. Due to the hazards associated with their use, the following appliances may not be present in residence hall rooms:

- Personal air conditioners
- Hoverboards
- Grills (including George Foreman grills)
- Halogen lamps
- Immersion coils
- Oil, kerosene, and gas lamps
- Open-coiled appliances
- Steam vaporizers
- Waterbeds
- Microwaves
- Any appliance attached to multiple extension cords

These appliances may only be used in designated cooking areas or kitchens:

- Coffee makers
- Electrical appliances with heating elements
- Hot pots
- Popcorn poppers
- Rice cookers
- Toasters/Toaster ovens

WHAT IF I HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS AND I CANNOT FIND THE ANSWERS ONLINE?

For any additional questions, please email conferences@american.edu or call 202-885-8247.