Questions about living on campus? We are here to help.*

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   Including important information on Campus Safety, Dining, Residence Life, Spiritan Campus Ministry, Sports and Fitness, Student Wellbeing, Student Life, and Student Services

Why live on campus?

Research has shown that students who live on campus tend to be more satisfied with their college experience overall. They also are likely to perform better academically.

This makes sense when you consider that all of the University’s resources and services are at their doorstep. By staying on campus, resident students have immediate access to faculty, advisors, academic buildings, labs, the library, dining facilities, health and wellness resources and more. In addition, specially trained Office of Residence Life staff members are always on hand and able to provide one-on-one support, 24/7.

Benefits of campus living

1. Modern, 24-hour security, including cameras, ID card readers and automatic entrance locks
2. Enhanced wi-fi, cable and laundry included
3. Convenient access to all campus resources
4. 24-hour maintenance
5. Several housing options available

*Note: The University does not evaluate and does not assume responsibility for off-campus living arrangements.
Duquesne is a landlord you know and trust.

Students who reside on campus get a taste of independent living without the increased responsibilities, such as paying monthly rent and utility bills or cooking for themselves on a daily basis. Your student’s room/apartment rate includes all utilities, Internet, basic cable and even laundry. And we work really hard to make sure these services are top notch. For example, by the start of the fall 2016 semester, every single residence hall room on campus will have its own wireless access point, which means students can count on fast Internet—whether they’re studying or watching movies.

Most rooms on campus are furnished, making the move-in and move-out process much less stressful. And meal plans and a variety of dining locations provide options and convenience for all schedules and dietary needs.

What’s more, each building has a highly trained staff of live-in resident directors and resident assistants on hand around the clock to help your student with any problem, from personal issues, to roommate conflict, to lost room keys.

“As a resident assistant, I have an amazing opportunity to mentor the students living on my floor, guiding them through all aspects of college life. They appreciate having a voice in floor dynamics, programs and community building.”
- Liz Bryer
Resident Assistant

Easy access to campus services and resources.

Students who live on campus have convenient access to their classes and professors, as well as to the University’s dining locations, library, and recreational and social activities.

Those with cars and a parking permit enjoy 24-hour access to campus parking, seven days a week.

For example, students enjoy being able to pack in a late-night workout at the Power Center and safely walk back to their campus rooms without the hassle of parking and commuting. Or, from an academic perspective, 24-hour study lounges in all residence halls allow students to find community when they’re crunching for a big exam. And campus dining options are available from 8 a.m. or earlier until 2 a.m., seven days a week.

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By the Numbers

3,900
resident students

7
living-learning centers

11
dining locations (including a campus Starbucks)

1
Loop Bus providing free weekend evening transportation from campus to the most popular shopping, dining and nightlife areas

89%
of resident students report that their housing experience extremely or moderately contributes to improved academic performance

According to the 2014-15 ACUHO-I/Benchmarks Resident Assessment, a national survey of more than 250,000 college students living on campus.

Student safety and well-being are top priorities.

At Duquesne, we pride ourselves on having one of the nation’s safest urban campuses. Leading these efforts is our Department of Public Safety, which includes state-certified police officers, highly trained security guards and dedicated administrative staff who work proactively to protect our students and our campus.

Campus police patrol Duquesne’s grounds 24 hours a day and can also provide a personal safety escort to your student to and from anywhere on campus, from sunset to sunrise. (They do not patrol or escort off campus.)

Duquesne’s police force has a collaborative relationship with Pittsburgh police and fire departments, ensuring high-level protection for your student during campus emergencies. In fact, one of Pittsburgh’s fire stations and UPMC Mercy Hospital are adjacent to campus, allowing for immediate assistance when necessary.

Your resident student can also count on modern sprinkler and fire alarm systems and enhanced security measures, such as cameras, ID card readers and front desk monitors, and automatic entrance locks, in every building.

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A sense of community and school spirit.

Resident students have their finger on the pulse of campus life and, with no commuting hassles, can more easily take advantage of the many social and recreational events throughout the academic year. As your student’s involvement in campus life grows, so does the opportunity for leadership roles within student organizations.