

APPLICATION TO WAIVE THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

HOUSING POLICY

Occupancy in University-owned or -operated residence halls is required for all students during the fall and spring semesters of their freshmen, sophomore and junior years.

Living on campus is a significant aspect of the University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis educational experience. Recent studies reveal that students who start their college career by living on campus are more likely to:

- Still be in school after two years
- Personally know and spend time outside of class with faculty members
- Graduate on time
- Receive more academic and emotional support from other students
- Get involved in student organizations

Studies also indicate that students who make the choice to live on campus are more likely to:

- Have a higher grade point average
- Use campus resources (library, labs, faculty and staff)
- Take more credit hours
- Express greater satisfaction with their undergraduate educational experience

Because of the greater likelihood of student academic and personal success, the housing requirement is strictly enforced. The University is committed to its students and seeing them persevere and succeed.

Exemptions

Any student requiring an exception must submit a formal letter of appeal outlining his or her reasoning to the coordinator of residence life. No exceptions will be made unless the request is made in writing. Students should understand, however, that few exceptions are made given that the evidence suggests that on-campus living is a significant aspect of student academic and personal success. Any consideration for exception will be made on a case-by-case basis. A student who has not received a written waiver will continue to bear full financial responsibility in accordance with the annual room and board fee schedule published by the University.

Residents are released from this residency requirement only after receiving written approval from the Housing Review Committee.

Resident students should not make other living arrangements or enter into any purchase, lease, or rental agreement with a third party realtor or lessee, until they receive written approval confirming that the University has waived residency requirement.

The deadline for residency requirement exemption submission for the full academic year is **July 1**, and for the spring semester is **December 1**. Applications will be reviewed and final decisions are normally made within 10 business days once the application is received.

Completed applications may be submitted to Maryam Ouechani, coordinator of residence life, by mail at 1 Pharmacy Place, St. Louis, MO 63110, or by email at maryam.ouechani@uhsp.edu.

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Today's Date: _____ Student ID #: _____

Full Name: _____ Cell Phone #: _____

Current Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Email Address: _____

Class Status: Freshman Sophomore Junior

Permanent Address

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Applying to be released from campus housing beginning:

Fall of year: _____ or Spring of year: _____

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REASON FOR WAIVER

Please state your exact reason(s) for requesting a waiver of the residency requirement. Your statement should be clear, concise, factual and thorough. Please be sure to submit supporting documentation for your stated reason(s). If necessary, you may attach a separate sheet of paper.

I understand that I am financially obligated for a room in University housing until my request has been fully submitted and approved in writing. I further understand and agree that if I have not received a written approval granting a waiver, that I will continue to bear full financial responsibility in accordance with the annual room and board fee schedule published by the University.

I have read and fully understand the terms of the housing policy and the conditions regarding waiver of the residency requirement.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Date Received: _____

Approved

Approved Pending: _____

Denied

Balance Due: \$ _____

Professional Staff Signature: _____ Date: _____

Notes:
