Latest News: Winter Housing Registration

Winter Housing Registration will be opening on the Housing Portal on November 8th

Winter Break and Wintersession 2023-24 (December 22-January 19) Winter Housing Registration must be completed prior to 11:59 pm on; Wednesday, November 29th.

Student Eligibility for Housing

Winter housing will be available for those students who must remain on campus during the period between the two semesters. It is important for students to know that residential programs and other supports are not running between the end of exams on December 21 and the start of second semester classes on January 22. Therefore, only those students who are engaged in academic programs and activities, or who are considered independent for federal and institutional financial aid purposes and whose permanent address is Wellesley College, should be living on campus (see details below). Students participating in Career Education programs just before the start of the spring semester will be scheduled for early arrival. All other students should plan to be off campus until all students return on January 20 in time for the start of second semester classes.

The eligibility criteria for **Winter Break Housing** (December 22 – December 31) includes:

- students who are considered independent for federal and institutional financial aid purposes and whose permanent address is Wellesley College
- certain varsity athletes
- international students who are unable to travel to their home location due to financial or travel constraints

The eligibility for **Wintersession Housing** (January 1 – January 21) include:

- students who are taking academic classes in person
- students who are doing approved research on campus, including senior theses
- students participating in approved College programs such as varsity athletics, Albright Institute, or Biochemistry Research Week
- students working in College positions that require they be in person (CSC, WCCC, LTS, Admissions)
- students who are considered independent for federal and institutional financial aid purposes and whose permanent address is Wellesley College
- international students who are unable to travel to their home location due to financial or travel constraints

Dining

Dining halls will be closed from December 22 to January 1. However, with several hundred students anticipated to be on campus in January, we will be opening a single dining location (Bae Pao Lu Chow Dining Hall) with a limited menu from January 2 through January 20. Full spring dining operations resume on Sunday, January 21.

This January period is not part of the fall and spring semester meal plan. However, in order to ensure students do not experience food insecurity, the meal plan is mandatory for all students living on campus.

Cost

There are costs associated with housing and providing dining to students on campus outside of term time. Students who are approved to remain on campus during the winter break period will be billed \$150 for room costs only, which will then be fully waived. Students who are approved to remain on campus during the wintersession period will be charged \$1,000 (room and board); these costs will be partially waived, with \$250 waivers applied to both room and board charges, for a total student cost of \$500. Students who are considered independent, taking a course, unable to travel and who receive financial aid during the academic year should contact SFS regarding financial assistance. Other students who have been approved to be on campus and who are experiencing financial hardship should contact SFS directly.

For students participating in Albright, varsity athletics, and Career Education programs, we will work with your programs regarding covering wintersession room and board charges.

Housing Placement

Students on campus during the winter housing period will in some cases be required to move rooms and/or residence halls. The Facilities team will be completing renovation work in Tower and may be conducting maintenance projects in other halls. In addition, we want to make sure students are not living in residence halls where they will be in an isolated living situation.

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