HOUSING AT DREXEL UNIVERSITY



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Welcome to Drexel University!

The Housing and Residence Life team is committed to providing you with an engaging residential experience that rewards your growth as a student and member of our campus community. During your time here, you can expect to find a unique academic design that integrates living and learning, helping you discover what it means to be a Dragon.

You will also have the pleasure of residing in the sixth largest city in America; from our booming arts and music scene to our worldrenowned museums and eclectic food culture, we know that you will find your home in Philadelphia. Life at Drexel is an opportunity to learn, grow, build your community, and utilize the endless resources of this great city.





2-Year Residency Program

At Drexel, your education is intertwined with your campus experience — we provide a campus community that complements both your studies and your development as a member of the University. That is why we require that all full-time undergraduate students whose permanent address, as stated in their official University Record, is outside of a 10-mile radius of the University City campus live in a Drexel Residence Hall for their first year. Spending your first year in a residence hall and second year in an approved housing option will help your transition into a new living environment and position you for success as a student here.

First-Year Housing Options

The University offers multiple housing options for first-year students that cater to individual needs. These include a variety of Drexel Residence Halls, Gender-Inclusive Housing, and Living Learning Communities/Specialty Housing.

Residence Halls

Below are the available residence halls that you may choose from.

Bentley Hall: Hybrid style with double occupancy rooms that include private bathrooms on each floor. This hall was renovated in 2019.

Kelly Hall: Traditional double occupancy with shared bathrooms that include private showers and toilet rooms. This newly renovated hall features unique duplex (two-floor) community lounges with kitchens. Kelly Hall reopened in fall 2023 after renovation and expansion.

North Hall: Suite style with two- and three-bedroom suites, an in-suite bathroom, and a kitchenette that includes a full-sized refrigerator, sink, and cabinet storage. **Millennium Hall:** Hybrid style with shared double rooms that include private lockable bathrooms in the hall.

Race Street Residences: Suite style with two-bedroom suites, an in-suite bathroom, and a kitchenette that includes a full-sized refrigerator, sink, and cabinet storage.

Towers Hall: Traditional with shared double rooms that include shared bathrooms and floors separated by gender.

Van Rensselaer Hall: Apartment style with two-bedroom apartments that include a bathroom and kitchen with a full-sized refrigerator, sink, stove, oven, and cabinet storage.

Gender-Inclusive Housing

Drexel offers Gender-Inclusive Housing (GIH) to support the University's ongoing commitment to develop environments that are welcoming and inclusive. GIH enhances the residential experience by allowing you to live in the same bedroom and share internal/ external bathrooms regardless of assigned sex and/or gender expression. GIH is optional, and you must expressly state your desire for a GIH assignment. If interested, you may sign up for a GIH assignment when you complete your housing application.

Living Learning Communities and Specialty Housing

In a Living Learning Community (LLC), you can live with other students who share common interests, making it easy to form study groups or project teams. Each community is assigned to a specific area in a residence hall, allowing you to organize social and academic activities with like-minded individuals. Specialty Housing options include a neurodiverse-inclusive housing community and religious accommodation options.

Students in an LLC or Specialty Housing may only live with other students participating in the same LLC/Specialty Housing.

You can learn more about your housing options at: drexel.edu/housing/llc

How to Apply

Housing applications are available via DrexelOne after you have confirmed your enrollment and submitted your housing deposit. There are three important steps to the housing application process you should be aware of:

Housing Agreement

This mandatory step will give you an opportunity to complete a lifestyle questionnaire, apply for a Living Learning Community, and complete a housing contract. The priority deadline to complete the housing agreement is May 15.

Roommate Matching

Starting in June, you will have the option to participate in roommate matching, where you can opt to identify a roommate or roommates using the lifestyle questionnaire. You may also indicate roommates you already know and wish to live with.

Room Self-Selection

If you complete your application by May 15, you will have the option to participate in Room Self-Selection. If you do not select your room through Self-Selection, you will be administratively assigned a room by Housing and Residence Life. Room Self-Selection will take place in June.

For more information on applying for housing, you can visit drexel.edu/housing/apply.





Contact Us

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at housing@drexel.edu or 215.895.6155. We are here to help.

