



Dear Prospective Resident,

The Offices of Residence Life and University Housing would like to extend to you our congratulations on your acceptance to Rowan University.

Living on campus provides a unique opportunity to enhance your personal and educational goals, while living in a culturally diverse environment. Statistics show that students who live on campus tend to have better grades, graduate at a higher rate, attend graduate school at a higher rate and are generally more satisfied with their college experience.

In recent years, an increasing percentage of our students have applied to live on campus, not only as freshmen, but throughout their undergraduate careers. In response, Rowan has aggressively added additional residence capacity, the most dramatic example of which is the townhouse complex. Almost 900 new beds will be available in the fall of 2010, when this year's freshmen are juniors. An apartment complex is about to be built on Rowan Boulevard, a new street of college-oriented shops and services, directly across the street from the campus. These apartments will be privately built, but leased and run as campus residences by Rowan Residence Life and University Housing staff. In addition, two new freshman residence halls, with a combined capacity of more than 700 beds, are now in the design stage, and will be available by 2011—and there are still more residence halls planned for future years.

In the meantime, demand for housing exceeds supply. In order to ensure that you have the housing you want, please note the following: The University will place the first 1000 freshmen in double occupancy rooms. Once those beds are filled, another 150 students will be placed in tripled rooms. A tripled room is one in which a third set of furniture has been added to a double room. A reduced rate will apply to tripled rooms. At any time during the application process, students may self select a tripled room. While the deadline to apply for housing is May 1, we urge you to apply early in order to secure a room.

In order to apply for housing, please visit www.rowan.edu/reslife and follow the “apply for housing” link. Log on using your Rowan Student Identification number (printed on your acceptance letter) and fill out the housing application. The application will be forwarded instantly to our office. You can choose your meal plan and apply for a RowanCard debit account on the same site. After you have submitted the online application, you must send a \$200 housing security deposit to the Office of Residence Life and University Housing. **Your application will not be considered complete until your deposit is received. Housing placements will be determined by date of deposit receipt.**

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at housingquestions@rowan.edu or 856-256-4266.

Sincerely,

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