



Office of Residential Life, Boston College

COVID-19 Addendum to the 2020-2021 Conditions for Residency

This Addendum modifies the Conditions for Residency (Housing Contract). Please read this carefully.

Although Boston College has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19, Boston College cannot guarantee that you will not become exposed to or infected with COVID-19 while living in on-campus facilities. Further, living on campus could elevate the risk of contracting any contagious illness simply due to the dense populations in the residence halls.

Boston College Residential Life plans to take measures designed to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Currently, these plans include:

- Increased cleaning and scheduled closings to disinfect common area spaces;
- Adjusted guest policy to ensure de-densification within the residence hall rooms and units.
- Suspending room changes until further notice;
- Modifying residential programming to adhere to applicable public health guidelines;
- Requiring resident physical distancing and other personal hygiene practices, including the use of facemasks; and
- Reserving the right to relocate any infected student, for self-quarantine or isolation, as determined by University Health Services.

Health and Safety: We expect that all members of the BC Housing Community — residents, staff and visitors—act in a manner that demonstrates respect and consideration for those around them, including respect and consideration for the health and safety of all community members.

Boston College students who live on campus are required to abide by all University directives regarding COVID-19, including frequent handwashing, physical distancing measures, limitations on guests and large gatherings, mask-wearing, cleaning, and testing. This will also include abiding by specific requirements upon a resident becoming ill, including requirements for notification, contact tracing, quarantine, and isolation. You understand and agree that these policies and rules may change from time to time, and you agree to remain in compliance.

The University may request or require a resident to leave BC Housing if the student's continued presence in the housing community poses a health or safety risk for the community.

Adherence to health and safety requirements applies to all residents, staff and visitors and extends to all aspects of residential life, including bedrooms, bathrooms, community kitchens, lounges, study rooms, courtyards, music rooms, reflection and prayer spaces and other common spaces.

Relocation and De-Densifying: Residential students are required to comply with any de-densifying efforts needed on campus due to COVID-19 or other public health emergency, including, but not limited to, the relocation of all or some residential students to alternative



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housing or to quarantine and isolation. Relocation does not constitute a termination of a residential student's Conditions for Residency (housing contract) and no adjustments in fees will be made.

Separation from University Housing: At any time, the University may request or require a resident to leave BC Housing when that resident's continued presence in the housing community poses a health or safety risk for community members. This includes separation from University housing due to the student's failure to comply with the University's stated COVID-19 health and Safety policies.

Cleaning: BC Housing and BC Housekeeping may implement and modify new cleaning protocols to address COVID-19 or other public health emergency. BC Housing will educate and inform residential students on appropriate cleaning protocols within their assigned spaces to reduce the spread of COVID-19 within residence halls.

Students living in on-campus apartments and suites will be required to clean their apartments/suites common areas, bathrooms, living-rooms, bedrooms, and kitchens themselves. The University does not clean the inside of apartments or suites and it is incumbent upon the students residing in these units to purchase cleaning supplies and to maintain clean apartments/suites for their own health and wellbeing and the health and safety of the Boston College Community.

Community Guests: For the safety of themselves and the greater community, students living in on-campus housing will not be allowed to have guests (with the exception of parents and guardians) who have not also been approved to reside on-campus. Events, functions, or other gatherings in or outside the residence halls are prohibited unless coordinated or approved by the Office of Residential Life or a designated campus partner. This includes all registered and unregistered social gatherings and parties inside or adjacent to the residence halls.

Effective Friday, October 2, students living in singles, doubles, triples, and quads will be permitted one guest in their room, while students in suites/apartments will only be allowed two guests at a time. As with other University COVID-19 guidelines, violations will be subject to a range of disciplinary sanctions, up to the loss of housing and University suspension.

See the guest policy chart at the end of this document for specific guest allowances for each room type.

Room Changes: Roommate assignments will remain unchanged throughout the entire academic year, except situations that the University views as involving extenuating circumstances, in order to reduce the frequency of long-term resident interactions. Room changes will be approved on an exception-only basis, with the understanding that roommate consistency should be a priority for the safety of all residents.

Physical Distancing: Physical distancing should be practiced whenever possible, and students are expected to abide by any specific requirements established by the University. This includes,



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but is not limited to, in a student room, lounge spaces, bathrooms, and lobby areas. Furniture in common spaces has been configured to promote physical distancing efforts and should not be moved.

Termination: Upon reasonable notice, the University reserves the right to terminate the Conditions for Residency (Housing Contract) due to public health emergency needs, including COVID-19. If the University requires students to move out of University housing entirely and the University does not make alternative housing available, BC will provide affected students with reasonable reimbursement as determined by the University.

Conditions for Residency (Housing Contract): Please note all other portions of the Boston College housing contract remain in full force and must be adhered to. In the event of a conflict between this Addendum and the Conditions for Residency (Housing Contract), this Addendum will apply. If you have additional questions about the terms and conditions of living in university housing please review the document at [BC Conditions for Residency](#).

Mitigation and Acceptance of Risk. We appreciate your understanding of the important role all our on-campus residents have in contributing to the safety and well-being of the campus community. Despite all the measures you and the University may take to reduce the risk of COVID-19, the risk of contracting COVID-19 or another communicable illness cannot be eliminated, particularly in a residential community. By agreeing below, you acknowledge and agree that you are voluntarily assuming this risk and that you will comply with this Addendum and all University health directives to help mitigate the risk.



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Guest Policy Guidelines

Traditional Residence Halls	Including: 66 Comm. Ave, Cheverus, Claver, Cushing, Duchesne, Fenwick, Fitzpatrick, Gonzaga, Greycliff, Hardey, Keyes, Kostka, Loyola, Medeiros, Roncalli, Shaw, Welch, Williams, Xavier
	Total Number of Guests Allowed in the Residential Unit* at any one time
Single Rooms	1 Guest
Double Rooms	1 Guest
Triple Rooms	1 Guest
Quad Rooms	1 Guest
Apartment Style Housing	
	Including: Gabelli, Ignacio, Mods, Rubenstein, Thomas More Apartments, Voute, and Reservoir Apartments
	Total Number of Guests Allowed in the Residential Unit*
2 Person Apartment	2 Guests
3 Person Apartment	2 Guests
4 Person Apartment	2 Guests
6 Person Apartment	2 Guests
Suite Style Housing	
	Including: Stayer, 90 STM, Vanderslice, and Walsh
	Total Number of Guests Allowed in the Residential Unit*
2 Person Suites	2 Guests
4 Person Suites	2 Guests
6 Person Suites	2 Guests
7 Person Suites	2 Guests
8 Person Suites	2 Guests
9 Person Suites	2 Guests

* Each residential unit includes all rooms within a given unit (i.e. in room bathrooms, living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens, closets, etc...)

** Guests are defined as: students who are approved to reside on-campus (no off campus or non-BC students are allowed in the halls)