



UNIVERSITY POLICY

STUDENT LIFE POLICIES

Number: 702
Subject: Residency Requirement Policy
Covered Individuals: Fayette Campus Students
Covered Locations: UIU Fayette Campus
Effective Date: July 15, 2014
Date of Latest Revision: November 10, 2021

PURPOSE

This policy establishes residency requirements for Upper Iowa University (University or UIU) students attending the Fayette campus.

DEFINITIONS

Primary Residence – dwelling where a person usually lives; a person can have only one primary residence at any given time

Transfer Students – students with 24 or more semester hours of graded transferable college credit who have been admitted to the University based on their college credentials from all institutions

Military Serving – includes active duty, active duty for training, inactive duty training, and full-time National Guard duty

Residency – living on campus for a specified period of time while classes are in session

POLICY

All students are required to live in University residence halls. Students who meet at least one of the criteria below may seek a waiver of the residency requirement, through which they can request to live off campus.

The following criteria are accepted when seeking a waiver of the residency requirement and requesting to live off campus:

- Lives in primary residence within 30 miles of the Fayette campus for two years prior to enrollment; parents' or guardians' names must be included in the request
- Has completed at least 90 credits
- Is a transfer student to UIU and has completed at least 60 credits

- Married and/or has dependent children
- 22 years of age or older
- Military serving or (honorably discharged) Veteran

Waivers of the housing residency requirement are available via the Residency Requirement Waiver Form. Those seeking a waiver must do so 30 days prior to the start of Session 1 or Session 3. All requests to live off-campus are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Requests in which at least one of the above criteria is not met are rarely granted.

Once a student is approved for a residency requirement waiver, it is for the remainder of their time at UIU, unless they decide to move back onto campus at some point after approval. If a student decides to live on campus, they will need to complete another waiver form for any future plans to live off campus.

RULES, PROCEDURES, GUIDELINES, FORMS, AND OTHER RELATED RESOURCES

[Residency Requirement Waiver Form](#)

CONTACTS

Acting as the policy owner, the Assistant Vice President for Student Life is responsible for answering questions regarding the application of this policy.

SANCTIONS

Students who fail to take up residency or move off campus without permission will be assessed a financial penalty of \$3,000.00 per year for the duration of the residency and an 80-commuter meal plan per semester for the duration of the residency.

HISTORY

- July 15, 2014 – The newly created policy was approved by the President’s Council
- February 6, 2015 – Policy was approved by the Board of Trustees
- November 10, 2016 – Annual review of policy and approval by President’s Council
- April 3, 2018 – Annual review of policy
- April 11, 2018 – Approved by President’s Council
- October 11, 2021 – Revised version recommended by University Policy Committee provided additional changes were made; they were
- November 10, 2021 – Revised version recommended to President Duffy for approval; President Duffy approves