Name of Policy: The University of Toledo’s Undergraduate Housing Policies

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Approving Officer: President

Responsible Agent: Vice President for Student Affairs

Scope: All University of Toledo On Campus Housing

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(A) Policy statement and purpose

The purpose of this policy is to articulate to current and prospective University of Toledo students the twenty-five mile radius and two-year live on campus requirement and exceptions to the policy, when and how room assignments are allotted and/or changes by the Office of Residence Life, establish eligibility to live in the residence halls as well as how students can initiate a room change.

(B) Policy

(1) The residence halls of the University are not open to the public and are reserved for the use of the residents and their escorted guests. As such the general public does not have open access to these buildings, unless an external party has contracted with the University for use of space in the residence halls.

(2) Residency requirement

There are many benefits to living on campus at The University of Toledo. For this reason, all first-year and second-year students who live outside of a twenty-five mile radius from the university are required to live on campus and participate in the meal plan program. Exceptions from this
policy may be granted for first and second year students who are approved by the University Housing Exemption and Cancellation Committee:

(a) Have lived on campus for four semesters (fall and spring terms only).

(b) Are commuting daily from the permanent homes of their parents, legal guardian or spouse, located within a twenty-five mile radius of The University of Toledo main campus.

(i) Please note that the Office of Residence Life considers the permanent home address of the student’s parent(s) or legal guardian(s) to be the address-of-record on file with federal, state and local tax agencies and where a minimum of one of the student’s parent(s) or legal guardian(s) reside at the time of their original university application. Address changes will be reviewed for verification.

(ii) The twenty-five mile radius is established by the University of Toledo as driving distance from main campus.

(iii) Students who qualify to reside off-campus under this clause are not required to complete an exemption application, verification will be done automatically utilizing the student’s admissions application. Providing false information to the university is a violation of the code of student conduct.

(c) Have completed four semesters as a full time student post high school by the first day of the fall semester.

(d) Are twenty-one years of age or older by the first day of the fall semester.

(e) Are enrolled in a university-approved co-op program.

(f) Are married residing with spouse.

(g) Have primary custody of child(ren) living with the student.
(h) Have a medical condition that cannot be accommodated by the Office of Residence Life based on recommended accommodations by Student Disability Services.

(i) Verifiable financial hardship based on FAFSA and other documentation provided by the student.

(C) Room assignments

When making room assignments, the Office of Residence Life will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. The Office of Residence Life reserves the right, if the need arises, to reassign students to other residences or rooms/suites/apartments within a building for room consolidation, vacancies, maintenance or safety issues, policy violations or disruption of the living environment. The needs of roommates/suitemates to sleep, study, to be comfortable and otherwise free from interference and disruption as well as the right to privacy are paramount.

(1) Room changes

Room changes between or within residence halls including moves made within suites, must be initiated with the hall director of the residence hall or a member of the central office staff prior to moving. A short period is established at the opening and closing of each semester during which no room/suite or residence hall changes are made. During the open room change period students may initiate a room change at the front desk of the building they wish to move. Requests for room assignment changes will not be honored for reasons involving age, race, ethnicity, color, national origin, sexual orientation, disability or religion.

(2) Violation of the policy

Students found responsible for violating the housing assignment policy may be subject to an assessment equal to the average cost of on campus housing and the required meal plan.

(D) Certain convicted felons are not permitted to reside in a University housing facility.
(1) Students that have been convicted or have plead guilty to a felony offense defined as an offense of violence under section 2901.01(A)(9) of the Revised Code or which involve the use, sale or distribution of a controlled substance in violation of the Ohio Revised Code or other applicable law shall not be permitted to reside in a University housing facility unless approved by the University Housing Admission Review Board.

Approved by:

/s/
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President

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Date

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