

## Alfred University's Guide to Residence Hall Living

### INTRODUCTION

Alfred University offers students several distinct living styles and communities:

- ✚ **First Year** comprised of only First Year students.
- ✚ **Mixed class**, comprised of all class years; First Year, Sophomore, Junior and Senior.
- ✚ **Upper class** comprised of Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors.

Six traditional corridor-style halls are co-ed by floor (a floor of men and a floor of women) and have open visitation. Two traditional corridor-style halls are co-ed by door (with gender-specific bathrooms on each floor). The availability of single rooms for incoming first year students is very limited. If you have a need for a single room, follow the instructions on the Housing Questionnaire and provide a letter of explanation and medical documentation that thoroughly outlines the medical need. New First Year students are encouraged to consider our outdoor-themed special interest living opportunity called Alfred *al Fresco*, with programming geared toward celebrating the uniqueness of Alfred and its location. If this accommodation is of interest to you, please answer yes to the corresponding question on the Questionnaire. Please note there is a three-year residency requirement for all students and First Year students are required to be on a University dining plan.

- ✚ **ANN'S HOUSE (Juniors and Seniors only)**. Ann's House is our newest LEED-certified residence hall which offers a unique living arrangement. The hallways are corridor-style and co-ed by door. Each space houses two single rooms with a shared bathroom and small hallway. There are spacious lounge areas, a full kitchen and laundry room located on the ground floor. Ann's House is located on the South side of campus, overlooking Alfred University and the town of Alfred.
- ✚ **BARRESI (First Year community, Alfred *al Fresco*)**. Located closest to Ade Dining Hall, Barresi offers two floors of men and one floor of women. A large front lawn gives plenty of room for informal volleyball and football games. Barresi houses 79 students.
- ✚ **BARTLETT (Upper class community)**. Located on the North side of campus; Bartlett accommodates 88 students with predominately single occupancy rooms, and is co-ed by door. A large fireplace lounge area is ideal for informal chats, a game of billiards, and movie nights. Bartlett also has newly remodeled bathrooms. The Office of Residence Life is located on the ground floor of Bartlett Hall.
- ✚ **BRICK (Upper class community)**. The Brick is the oldest residence hall on campus, housing 98 students. Larger rooms and wide hallways are unique to the design of Brick Hall. The architecture of the building includes extremely high ceilings, newly renovated bathrooms, beautiful wood flooring throughout the building, and exposed wood beams.
- ✚ **CANNON (Mixed class community, Extended Quiet Study)**. Cannon houses 79 students and is a "sister" building to Barresi, offering two floors of men and one floor of women. Students have a short walk to Ade Dining Hall, the academic buildings, as well as McLane Athletic Center.
- ✚ **FORD STREET APARTMENTS (Juniors and Seniors only)**, located on the south side of campus are two or three bedroom units, which house four or six students. **Athena**, **Pegasus**, and **Thor** are the two bedroom apartments. **Bacchus**, **Medusa**, and **Mercury** are the three bedroom units. Each apartment is furnished and includes a living room area, bathroom, and full kitchen. "The Commons" is located near the Ford Street apartments and provides access to a laundry facility for Ford Street residents. The Beth Robinson Judson Leadership Center is also located in "The Commons".
- ✚ **JOEL'S HOUSE (Upper class Community)**. Joel's House has a log cabin feel overlooking the town of Alfred and Alfred University. Located on the top of Pine Hill, Joel's House offers a quiet environment and is located next to walking trails, bike trails, and our on-campus observatory, providing the perfect setting for our upper class outdoor-themed living learning community "Alfred *al Fresco*". The corridor-style, co-ed layout consists of two floors, mixed with single and double occupancy rooms. Both floors have a large lounge area for group meetings, study sessions, or hangout time with access to a large patio. There is a full kitchen located on the main floor with a laundry room available to Joel's House residents.
- ✚ **KRUSON (Mixed class community)**. Kruson is a traditional corridor-style building and houses 101 students. Kruson is located on the South side of campus next to Brick Hall and across from Herrick Memorial Library.
- ✚ **OPENHYM (Mixed class community)**. Openhym, located on the South end of campus, is our largest residence hall, housing 150 students (two floors of women, one floor of men). Openhym is adjacent to the Ford Street Apartments and is conveniently located near Herrick Library and the Powell Campus Center.
- ✚ **PINE HILL SUITES (Mixed class community)**. Areas include **Lower Pine Hill** (Davis, Kenyon, Shults), **Middle Pine Hill** (Crawford and Tredennick), and **Upper Pine Hill** (Norwood and Phillips). Each building has the capacity to house 58 students. There are ten suites per building and each suite has three bedrooms, one bathroom, one kitchenette area and a living room. Each building has a laundry and lounge facility at the lower level.
- ✚ **REIMER (Mixed class community)**. A total of 99 students occupy the three floors of Reimer Hall and is co-ed by floor. Elevated from the campus, Reimer offers a view of the campus and is close to the Science Center, Ade Dining Hall and the Athletic facilities.
- ✚ **SPECIAL INTEREST HOUSING (Upper class community)**. For students who meet the specific requirements for the living area, there are three academic houses that are sponsored by their corresponding academic program. They include:
  - **Environmental Studies House**
  - **Hillel House** for our Jewish community
  - **Honors House**
  - **International House** for our 21 and older International community
  - **Modern Language House**
  - **Unity House (Mixed class community)** where cultural expression and self-expression are encouraged
- ✚ **TEFFT (Mixed Class community)**. Located next to Reimer Hall, Tefft Hall also has three floors of residents, co-ed by floor, and houses a total of 99 students. Tefft Hall has new bathrooms with floor to ceiling shower stalls and wood flooring throughout the entire residence hall.

## **ROOM DESCRIPTION**

Student rooms vary in size and shape. Each room, however, is furnished, per student, with one single bed/mattress (extra-long twin, 36x80"), one desk/chair, one dresser, one closet, and window blinds. Students are requested to provide their own linens. As well, students might want to think about bringing an area rug, a stand-alone bookcase, and a desk lamp. Television cable, internet and laundry expenses are included in the room rate.

In the suite and apartment areas the University provides one couch, two living room chairs, two end tables, one dining table and four chairs. Students are requested to provide their own pots, pans, utensils, and small cooking appliances that draw 800 watts or less. Toaster ovens are not permitted.

## **ROOM ASSIGNMENTS**

Students are allowed to mutually indicate their roommate choice. Alfred University is proud to also offer RoomSync as our preferred [roommate matching software](#) to help students in finding their roommate. Once a student has deposited and has set up their @alfred.edu email account, an email with a passcode will be sent. By using a passcode-protected Facebook app, Alfred University works closely with RoomSync to provide residents with the unique opportunity to interact with other students while safely finding future roommates. Students can only use the RoomSync app after obtaining a special passcode from the Office of Residence Life. We do not honor any roommate requests made through other services so we encourage students to make sure that they are only engaging with the [RoomSync Facebook app](#). Assignments are made on a rolling basis beginning the end of June. Notification of room assignment and roommate contact information will be sent via your @alfred.edu email account. Current students have first choice of space in the residence halls according to class status. Hence, current students generally fill singles, Ann's and Joel's Houses, Bartlett, and the Ford Street Apartments. Incoming upper class students may request such accommodations but should include other choices.

## **STUDENT LIFE**

Recreation and activities are an important part of the Alfred University experience and the Office of Residence Life (ORL) staff attempts to meet your desires by offering a variety of special programs. Ice cream socials and pizza parties, road trips and simple walks in the area woods are organized to promote community development and personal growth. In addition, workshops on such topics as study skills, human sexuality, stress management, wellness, diversity, and career options are often promoted to enhance the learning that takes place in the classroom. A special asset to living in the residence halls is the friendships that are formed by informal gatherings while watching your favorite television program or listening to your favorite music. Alfred University promotes the total growth of the student. We believe that the right balance of activities makes for a well-balanced individual.

Activities and events are designed to build community and help all students develop a solid connection to Alfred University. This is achieved by offering students social and educational programs that allow for informal contact with faculty, staff, and fellow students, teaching students about campus resources and involvement opportunities, and through programs, addressing different issues that are applicable to college students' development. Such program topics have included: homesickness, roommate issues, time management, study skills, personal finance, campus involvement, wellness topics, service learning, goal setting, alcohol education and relationship issues.

## **RESIDENCE HALL STAFF**

A Resident Director (RD) who promotes community growth supervises each residence hall/area. Each serves as a resource person for the residents as well as a facilitator. Resident Directors (RD) are graduate students attending Alfred University. All RDs are supervised by a professional staff member from the Office of Residence Life. In addition, a Resident Assistant (RA) is available in each living area or section. The RA is a current Alfred University sophomore/ junior/senior student who assists the Resident Director in fostering an atmosphere of individual and community growth. The RA is available to assist students with questions and problems and to help them become acclimated to their new environment.

## **CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL**

Campus Life Council (CLC) is a student organization designed to augment the Residence Life staff. CLC provides services to students in residence halls and supplements campus-wide programs for the various residence hall facilities. Students are encouraged to become involved with CLC. The all-campus CLC consists of one voting member from each residence hall. In addition, a student is elected to fill the positions of president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. Each residence hall is given funds to establish its own hall council as well. Each hall council is comprised of all interested students from that hall. Their purpose is to plan programs and activities specifically designed for their own hall.

## **OFFICE OF RESIDENCE LIFE**

Any questions concerning residence hall living should be directed to the Office of Residence Life (ORL), located on the main floor of Bartlett Hall. The office is open weekdays 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM; closed 12 to 1 PM. The office phone number is (607) 871-2186.