



Two-Year Residency Requirement Policy

- A. **First- and Second-year students are required to live in University Housing.**
- B. **Transfer students with less than two years of college experience are required to live in University Housing.**
- C. Students with circumstances matching the following criteria may be exempt from the housing requirement:
 - i. Students living within 40 miles of the University campus who will commute from a parent or guardian's residence (proof of residency with a parent or guardian may be required);
 - ii. Married students;
 - iii. Students with dependents;
 - iv. Students who have been declared as independent or are over 21 years of age;
 - v. Veterans of the military;
 - vi. Transfer students who have more than two years of college experience;
 - vii. Students with a documented and approved medical or disability condition that require housing accommodations that RWU is unable to provide;
 - viii. Students participating in a study abroad program;
 - ix. Students enrolled in fewer than 12 credits;
 - x. Students under 17 years of age; or
 - xi. Students approved for a Medical Leave of Absence
- D. Students who do not fit the above criteria and are requesting an exemption of the two-year residency requirement must submit documentation in writing to the Director of Residence Life and Housing, or their designee utilizing the **Two-Year Residency Requirement Waiver Request Form** via [Housing Self-Service](#).