Housing Process FAQ

When are the applications due?
Applications are due on Friday, March 15, 2013 by 4:30 p.m.

If I am applying in a group, do we all need to fill out an application?
Only one application is needed per group. We recommend that you sit down together and fill out the form jointly since it asks several preference questions and you will be ranking several options.

I am going off campus for Fall semester do I apply?
You do not need to apply, you will be contacted mid fall semester to inquire about your housing needs. At that time you can tell us if there is a specific group you want to live with.

I am going off campus for Spring semester, what do I need to do?
You will apply for housing using the form and same process as those here the full year.

I have applied for housing in a group but have also applied to study abroad. What will happen to my housing application?
We will not consider the housing applications of DePauw students who have gotten approval from DePauw to study abroad in the Fall. This will leave your application group with an odd number. Please see the question below about odd numbered group applications.

How do you decide who gets to live where?
After March 15, we will start placing people based on their group size and class. Groups with all Seniors are placed first, followed by those with Seniors and Juniors and finally groups that are all Juniors. We will do our best effort to place groups in units that meet their preferences; however, we have limited space. Our process is built on the principal that it is more important who you live with rather than where you live.

When will we find out where we’re living in the Fall?
Fall placements will be released on April 8 at 1 p.m.

Why does the number of students in a group for a house or apartment need to be even?
We require the group number to be even because the capacity for all of our houses and apartments are even numbers.

Can I apply with an odd numbered group?
You can apply with an odd numbered group; however, complete, even numbered groups will be placed ahead of you, regardless of the seniority of the students in the group. If you apply in an odd numbered group, please understand that the University may place someone else with your group. If you apply in an odd numbered group, you can choose to have an International exchange student placed in your unit. Odd numbered groups that choose to live with an International exchange student will be considered as full groups.
Can I apply as an individual to live in an apartment, house, or Rector Village?
Individuals will be considered for houses, apartments, and Rector Village but will be placed where space is available and only after groups have been placed.

Some of my sorority sisters and I are interested in living together. Should we apply using the Student Organization Application?
The Student Organization Application is only for groups that do not have a residential facility on campus. Students in groups that have residential facilities are welcome to apply as a group using the regular application process. Since we base our system on allowing students to live with those they want to live with, we will do all that we can to accommodate such groups.

Can I preference a specific house or duplex?
You can tell us if you have a preference for a specific house but we cannot make any guarantees. In the application, there is a space for any additional comments where you can include that information.

If I am a sophomore applying with a group of juniors can I live in an apartment, house or Rector Village with them?
Spaces in houses, apartments and Rector Village are reserved for students who will be Juniors or Seniors in the Fall. Sophomores may live either in a greek chapter house or in an upperclass residence hall. Our housing system is designed to be progressive in nature with more autonomous options offered to upperclass students. Mixed class groups with sophomores in them would need to be placed in an upperclass residence hall to be placed as a group.

If I am a junior or senior and want to live in a residence hall, which application do I fill out?
Please fill out the “Housing Application 2013-14: Residence Halls Only” application.