## TOP FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT ROOM REAPPLICATION 2025-26 Academic Year

#### 1. What is Room Reapplication?

Reapplication is a period of time when <u>current</u> residence hall students are given priority to sign up for an available room and hall of their choice for the next academic year. All residents returning to UW-W for the upcoming academic year who wish to reside in oncampus housing must complete reapplication by April 9th. Contracts received from current residence hall students after 4:00 pm April 9th will be processed in the same manner as incoming students.

#### 2. Who is required to live on campus and go through room reapplication?

UW-Whitewater is required to enforce the UW System Board of Regents' Residency Requirement (Policy 173, May 5, 1972) and therefore 1st and 2nd year students that graduated less than two years ago from high school are required to reside in University operated housing unless they have submitted Residency Policy Exemption Request and been approved.

Students who are required to live on-campus are students who graduated in June 2024 who have NOT submitted and been approved for an exemption. If you do not know if you are exempt from living on-campus, please follow this link <a href="here">here</a> to view the reasons a student would be exempt.

All returning students are allowed to live on-campus even if they are not required, however if a student submits a contract the contract is for the full academic year unless approved for a release. Contract release requests (once a contract has been submitted) by a student are reviewed on an individual basis by the Contract Release Review Team. However, we strive to make decisions that are based on consistent criteria and in fairness to all students. Please follow this link <a href="https://www.uww.edu/housing/assignments/contractrelease">https://www.uww.edu/housing/assignments/contractrelease</a> to view Contract Release Information

### 3. How to apply for Gender Inclusive Housing option

Gender Inclusive Housing was created in an effort by University Housing to provide living options to account for all of our residents and their differing needs. The term "inclusive" or "gender neutral housing" refers to rooms where people of any sex or gender can room together, including students of the "opposite" sex and students who identify with any particular gender.

#### 4. How would I choose who I want to live with?

- Do I automatically get my current room back next year?
  - i. No. <u>All returning students</u> that submit 2025-26 housing contracts will need to access the residence hall room selection website to select a room. Please check the 2025-26 Specialty Housing options (include link) for further information regarding how residence halls will be set up for the 2025-26 school year.
- What do I do if I want to live with a specific student? How do I choose a mutually agreed upon returning student roommate?

i. When you are filling out your application online there will be an opportunity to search and select a roommate. Mutual Roommates will need to self-select a room together during the Standard Room Selection period.

#### • Can I live with an incoming student (Freshman, Transfer, etc.)?

i. Yes, current residence hall students should email <a href="mailto:Housing@uww.edu">Housing@uww.edu</a> with their preferred roommate information (name, ID# and the hall/room number current student selected in room selection) so University Housing can assist in manually assigning you together. Current residence hall student should still select a room and University Housing will coordinate placement of the incoming student when their contract is received. Please note freshman (aka incoming first year students) are <a href="mailto:note">not</a> eligible to live in Pulliam or Ma'iingan Hall.

#### 5. How do I apply for Pulliam or Ma'iingan Hall

To be considered for housing in Pulliam or Ma'iingan Halls, current residence hall students should do the following:

• Preference will be given to full applications – meaning four people signing up to live together in one suite/pod. Full applications have from **February 28-March 10** at noon to complete on-line application. Student will need to rank their preferred living option for Pullaim or Ma'iingan Hall. **Students should ONLY rank the living options that they would like to be assigned to.** Please note freshman (aka incoming first year students) are <u>not</u> eligible to live in Pulliam or Ma'iingan Hall.

# 6. Can groups of less than 4 students submit a Pulliam/Ma'iingan Application?

Yes, however preference is given to full 4-person applications unless authorized by University Housing. Students can possibly connect with other students thru one of the Roommate Mixers noted below.

**NOTE:** Looking for other students that may be interested in forming a 4-person group or to complete a smaller group, please consider attending one of the **Roommate Mixers**.

Pulliam Hall Monday, February 24, 2025 6pm – Pulliam Hall Ma'iingan Hall Wednesday, February 26, 2025 6pm – Ma'iingan Hall

# 7. What is the difference between Standard Room Selection and Building Renewal?

- Standard Room Selection: Refers to a current residence hall student applying for a room in a different building than they currently reside.
- Building Renewal: Refers to a current residence hall student applying for a room in their <u>current</u> residence hall. Some residence hall rooms will not be available for building renewal. Pulliam, Ma'iingan, XL Doubles are not available for building renewal.

### 8. When do I need to pay the \$125 Deposit?

If the student is currently residing in the residence halls – they do NOT need to submit another deposit. The deposit that the student submitted last academic year will carry over to the next year. If student is returning to campus and previously received a refund of their deposit, they would be required to submit another payment.

#### 9. Is the \$125 deposit refundable?

Students should read sections #12 and #13 of the housing contract carefully and understand the difference between a contract release and an exemption request. Contract item #13 refers to the deposit refund and forfeiture. It is important to understand that all cancellations must be submitted on the contract site under the cancellation tab. All cancellations should include the student name, student ID number, student signature, and reason for cancellation.