

First-Year Students

Greetings Class of 2029!

We are thrilled that you will be joining the WPI community for your collegiate career!

The majority of first-year housing will be in triple occupancy rooms.

Students who choose not to find a roommate, forming a group of one, will not be guaranteed a single room. There are a finite number of single bedrooms in on campus housing, and groups of one often select into larger spaces with other groups of one.

Information about the first-year housing selection process will be detailed below.

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Housing for First-Year Students

At WPI, life on campus begins in our residence halls. It won't feel exactly like home, though in some ways it will be even better.

Research shows nation-wide that living on campus in the first year of college can positively impact a student's ability to make connections with other students, take advantage of academic resources, and become involved in campus life. Additionally, students who live on campus in their first & second year graduate at a higher rate than those who do not.

Typical first-year residence halls include:

- [Daniels Hall](#)
- [Founders Hall](#)
- [Institute Hall](#)
- [Messenger Hall](#)
- [Morgan Hall](#)
- [Sanford Riley Hall](#)
- [Stoddard Complex](#)
- [Trowbridge House](#)
- [Wachusett House](#)

Note: Upper level students (sophomores, juniors, and seniors) and graduate students may not live in first year residence halls.

Timeline for First-Year Housing Selection for 2025-2026

- Application Opens – **May 19**
- Documentation for housing accommodations must be sent to the [Office of Accessibility Services](#) *no later than* – **June 11**
- Application Deadline for Interest-Based Housing (more information within the housing application) - **June 11**
- Application Closes – **June 25 at 11:59pm**
- Selection Times Sent – **Friday, June 27**
- Housing Selection Week – **June 30 - July 4**

How-To Videos

- [Submitting an Application](#)

- [Selecting Housing in the Portal](#)

Policies and Contracts

Before completing the [Housing Application](#), please ensure that you have read the [Housing & Dining Contract](#) and the [Residence Hall Policies](#).

Roommate Meet & Greet

WPI credentials are required to join the meeting, please log in to Zoom using the SSO option. Please use the following links to join the sessions that you would like to attend.

Male-Identifying Students	Wednesday, May 21 from 7:00PM-8:00PM (EST)	https://wpi.zoom.us/j/95482952513
Female-Identifying Students	Tuesday, May 27 from 7:00PM-8:00PM (EST)	https://wpi.zoom.us/j/97551573807
Gender-Inclusive	Thursday, May 29 from 7:00PM-8:00PM (EST)	https://wpi.zoom.us/j/95045373331
Male-Identifying Students	Tuesday, June 3 from 7:00PM-8:00PM (EST)	https://wpi.zoom.us/j/95547567774
Female-Identifying Students	Thursday, June 5 from 7:00PM-8:00PM (EST)	https://wpi.zoom.us/j/97562904686
Gender-Inclusive	Tuesday, June 10 from 7:00PM-8:00PM (EST)	https://wpi.zoom.us/j/93233715045
Umoja Community	Tuesday, June 17 from 7:00PM-8:00PM (EST)	Invitation will be sent to community members
Lavendar Community	Wednesday, June 18 from 7:00PM-8:00PM (EST)	Invitation will be sent to community members

Please Note:

There is no incentive to completing the application earlier than others. It is only important that you complete an application and create or join a roommate group before the application closes on **June 25**. All roommate groups will be assigned random housing selection times after the application closes. Documentation for accommodated housing is due to the Office of Accessibility Services no later than **June 11**.



Tips and Tricks

Before you move into campus housing, our the Housing & Residential Experience Center team recommends that first year students complete some of the following tasks, so they can acclimate to their new independence when they arrive at WPI.

- Order food for delivery or pickup on the phone.
- Schedule a haircut or other appointment on the phone.
- Speak to a cashier when checking out of a store and ask them how their day is going.
- Do your own laundry - sort laundry into manageable loads, wash and dry it.
- Manage your own personal hygiene routine.
- Find nourishing snacks that you enjoy and learn how to prepare them or purchase close to WPI.
- Make a list of activities you like to do that help you relax and refocus.
- Think about how you would introduce yourself and make friends with new people.
- Identify "must haves" and expectations you follow in your living space.
- Start to identify the physical and emotional ways you react to stressful situations. Talk with a family member or friend and ask them how they know when you are stressed and what they notice about you in these moments.
- Talk to a friend about a time you have a disagreement and how you worked together to resolve the situation.

Resident Advisors

Resident Advisors, or RAs, are responsible for residents in a particular section or floor of a residence hall--and are a great resource for first-year students. They contribute a great deal to the residential living experience at WPI, assisting with social or personal concerns, answering questions about the campus, explaining and

enforcing WPI policies, responding to emergency situations, submitting work order requests, and are available when help is needed for any reason.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a Group Leader?	+
Who can make groups?	+
How do I find a roommate?	+
Do I have to have a meal plan?	+
What does it mean to sign a housing contract and when does my housing contract become binding?	+
What if my group leader doesn't select housing during the assigned time window?	+
What if a group member decides not to attend WPI? (before or after selection)	+
How do I secure WPI housing if I am a transfer student?	+
Why should I have back up plans?	+
Can I be placed randomly?	+

Announcements

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April 08, 2024

Housing Selection FAQs

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January 04, 2024 [\[Dean of Students\]](#)

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