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## Student Housing Policy

Brigham Young University seeks to promote a living environment for students that is consistent with the moral principles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and conducive to study and learning. Accordingly, the university has established this Student Housing Policy to assist single students in adhering to the high ideals and principles of behavior expected at BYU.

### Two-Semester Housing Requirement

For their first two semesters as a BYU student, all single undergraduate students must live (1) in BYU on-campus housing, (2) in BYU off-campus contracted housing, or (3) with qualifying family members. This applies to all single BYU undergraduate students, including transfer students, who are matriculated, meaning they have been admitted to a degree-seeking program.

Completion of both spring and summer academic terms qualifies as one semester.

Qualifying family members are parent(s), stepparent(s), grandparent(s), married uncle or aunt, and married sibling.

Any exception must be approved in writing by the BYU Off-Campus Housing Office.

Single, matriculated students who have completed two semesters at BYU are eligible but are not required to live on-campus or in BYU off-campus contracted housing.

### Sex-Separated Housing Requirement

All single students not living with qualifying family members are required to live in dwelling units only with persons who are the same sex as the student. BYU's Off-Campus Housing Office may grant exceptions in certain circumstances, such as for siblings of the same family living together in the same dwelling unit provided there are no other single persons in the dwelling unit.

Single BYU students who choose to live in non-BYU-contracted off-campus housing (community housing) are still required to abide by the requirement to live only with persons who are the same sex as the student. Single BYU students who find themselves in individual dwelling units where sex-separation is not maintained, that is, where a roommate (or apartment-mate or housemate) who is a member of the opposite sex has moved in, are required to find other housing arrangements, at the student's cost.

Single BYU students who live in community housing are encouraged to choose roommates who abide by and respect the principles contained in this policy. BYU's Off-Campus Housing Office is a resource to single BYU students who live in community housing and experience difficulties



with roommates who are not following this policy's sex-separated housing requirement or this policy.

### **Conduct**

BYU students are required to abide by the [Church Educational System Honor Code](#) (CES Honor Code) "at all times and in all things, and in all places" (Mosiah 18:9). BYU students must refrain from acting inconsistently with the CES Honor Code or any other applicable university policies.

The CES Honor Code commitment to "encourage others in their commitment to comply with the Honor Code" applies in the context of on-campus housing, BYU contracted off-campus housing, and in community housing. Though the university is unable to require non-BYU students to abide by the CES Honor Code, BYU students should encourage their guests to abide by the CES Honor Code and this policy while visiting BYU students in their dwelling units.

It is a privilege to live in on-campus housing and in BYU-contracted off-campus housing. Violating the CES Honor Code or this policy may result in an eviction from, and a loss of eligibility to live in, on-campus housing and BYU-contracted off-campus housing.

### **Visitors**

Opposite sex visitors of single BYU students in on-campus housing, BYU contracted off-campus housing, and in community housing are permitted to visit in living rooms and kitchens and are not permitted in bedrooms or private hallways, except when visiting Helaman Halls as outlined on the [housing website](#). The use of bathroom areas by members of the opposite sex is not appropriate unless emergency or civility dictate otherwise and then only if the safety and privacy of other residents are not jeopardized.

Visiting hours for individuals visiting single BYU students in on-campus housing, BYU contracted off-campus housing, and in community housing begin after 9:00 a.m. and extend until 12:00 midnight. Friday night visiting hours extend until 1:30 a.m. BYU contracted off-campus landlords may establish a shorter visiting period if written notice is given to students.

Because Helaman Halls does not have common living rooms, visitors of the opposite sex are permitted to visit in bedrooms during certain days and times as approved by Residence Life.

### **Current Address**

All students must provide the current street address of their local residence (not a post office box). Students must verify their address each semester or term using the [Change Residential Address](#) link. Single students living with a qualifying family member must submit a family declaration at the time they begin living with the qualifying family member.



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**APPLICABILITY:** This policy applies to all students.

**POLICY OWNER:** Student Life Vice President

**RESPONSIBLE OFFICE:** Residence Life

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