Algoma UNIVERSITY

Sault Ste. Marie

RESIDENCE HANDBOOK



RESIDENCE LIFE

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WELCOME TO ALGOMA UNIVERSITY



Welcome to Algoma University! Living in residence leads to a lifetime of memories and friendships, and it is often the first time that people experience sharing a living space. By living in residence, you are helping to build a strong and successful community. Remember, there's a place for everybody in residence. Success in residence means co-operation, consideration, compromise, and respect. The Residence Life Team is here to help you. We strive to create an environment where everyone feels welcome, safe and valued for who they are and their individual contribution to our community.

OUR VISION & MISSION



OVERVIEW

Whether living in our dormitories or in our townhouses, all of Algoma University's residence options feature a private, single room. A single room provides you with the best learning and study environment. You'll have countless opportunities to get involved and hang out with fellow residents. Our residences are centrally located on our campus and within a two-minute walk to classes, computer labs, the George Leach Centre, the Speakeasy, cafeteria, and major transit routes.

MISSION/VALUES

Living in residence leads to a lifetime of memories and friendships, but it is often the first time that people experience sharing a living space. We strive to uphold the standards in this Handbook, in alignment with the Non-Academic Student Code of Conduct to ensure the residence experience is the best it can be. Remember, there's a place for everybody in residence.

LINGO!

Words, phrases, and slang that will be helpful to know - and that you'll hear mentioned quite a bit here at Algoma University! Get familiar with them now, to help ease your transition.



R4

Also known as the Algoma Domitory, our newest and largest residence building next to the George Leach Centre with four floors, a shared kitchen, and plenty of common spaces to socialize in.

R3

Also known as the Lou Lukenda Dormitory, is our other dormitory style residence with three floors and a shared kitchen/common space for residents to socialize in.

TWN

Also known as Spirit Village or Townhouses, our shared townhouse style residences have 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, and a shared kitchen/living space.

RA

This stands for Residence Advisor, which is an upper year student who lives on each floor and is responsible for supporting students in residence, planning events, and making residence a fun place to be! RA's will be available during Office Hours for questions/to pick up packages, and someone always has a phone for you to call in case you need urgent assistance in residence.

DON

A short form for the Residence Don, the person that supervises the RA's in the evenings, assists them in achieving their goals in residence, and is available to connect with you!

RL STAFF

Residence Life Staff. These are full-time staff members, working Monday-Friday in the Housing Office. Our team oversees residence, events, housing placements, and much more. We can't wait to welcome you!

More

LINGO!



AUSU
Algoma University Students' Union

SASA
Shingwauk Anishinaabe Students Association

GLC
George Leach Centre (our fitness facility)

SH
Shingwauk Hall

NW
North Wing

EW
East Wing

WW
West Wing

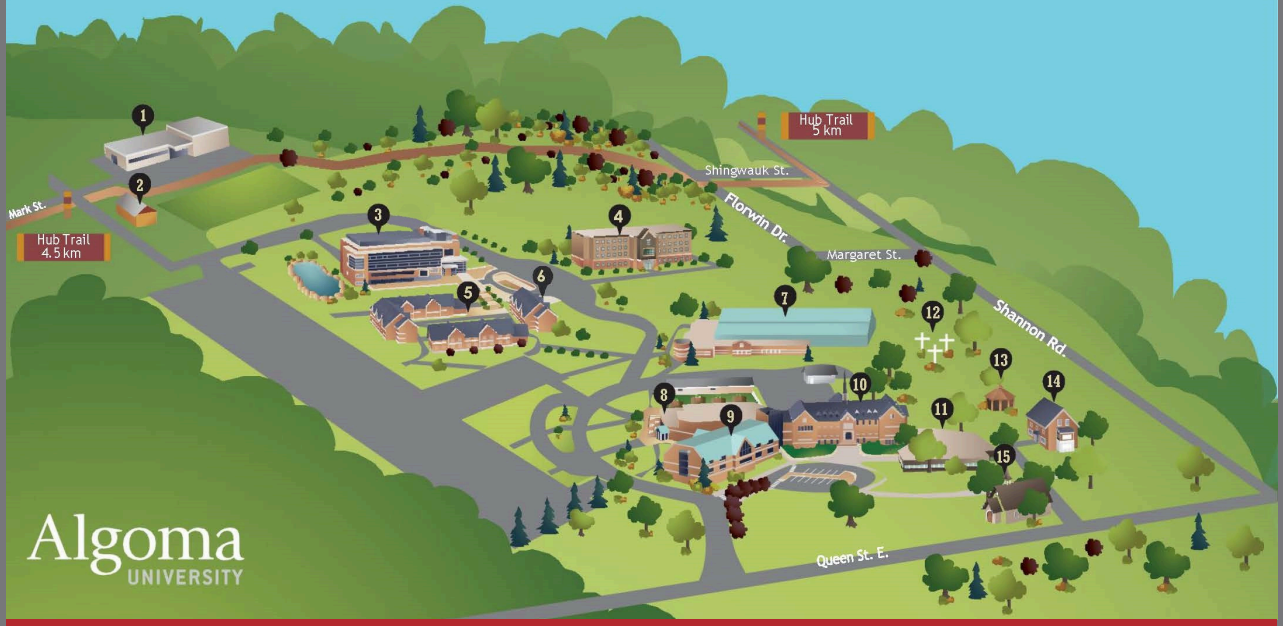
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Convergence Centre

THE QUAD
Your backyard in residence, the area of grass/trees between R3 and the Townhouses

SPEALKEASY
Also known as "The Speak", this is your campus bar in the main building, where many events happen throughout the year!

ORIENTATION
A Welcome Week of information sessions, events, and learning about university services, making connections, and aiding in your transition to university life

CCR
This stands for Co-Curricular Record, and is a resume of volunteer experiences at AU. There are plenty of opportunities to get involved in residence and help boost your resume, while having a little bit of fun at the same time!



WHERE DO I GO?

Move In Day

Visit the Housing Office to pick up your room keys, meet an RA, complete your paperwork and learn more about living in residence.
Arriving outside of our designated move in hours? Call an RA at 705-971-7755 and we are happy to help!



Click above for a campus map!

What do I Pack?

- Personal ID items
- School supplies
- Laptop/computer and accessories
- Bed linens, pillows and comforter
- Clothes hangers
- Laundry bag/bin and detergent
- Towels and facecloths
- Personal toiletries
- Re useable mugs/cups, plates, bowls and utensils
- Cleaning supplies
- Small fan
- Mini fridge (max. 5 cubic ft)

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES

1

Non Academic Student Code of Conduct

The Non Academic Student Code of Conduct deals with the general Non-Academic behavior of students, individually and collectively, as members of the University and/or its constituent parts, in non-academic, social, or recreational settings, whether on or off campus. Click here to learn more.

2

Academic Calendar

For a look at all of the important dates coming up in the 2025-26 school year, click "Academic Calendar" above.

3

Early Withdrawal from Residence

For information on withdrawing early from residence, please click the title above.

4

Breaks/Move Out

We understand you may want to stay in residence over university breaks (semesters you are not taking courses, but still a student)! Email housing@algomau.ca to request to remain in residence during those breaks and we will do everything we can to accommodate you. Similarly, stay tuned to your email for details on move out when that time comes. Make sure to complete your future application if you would like to continue to stay in residence once your current contract is up!

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Mail

Mail will be delivered to your residence mailbox Monday - Friday. Packages can only be picked up in the Housing Office during Office Hours (please check the posted hours in your building); the Residence Life staff will notify you by email when a package arrives for you. If requested, the Housing Office can hold mail for students who are no longer in residence for a maximum period of one month following the move out date. Students must change their address with the registrar's office, post office, and any other places it is listed in order to ensure that they receive their mail.

Quiet Hours

Quiet hours are intended to promote a pleasant learning environment in residence in which students can sleep or study when they want. Quiet hours are in effect all year in all residences buildings:

- Sunday to Thursday from 10:00 PM to 8:00 AM
- Friday & Saturday from 2:00 AM to 8:00 AM

During quiet hours, the volume of noise should be low enough that students in the room beside cannot hear. Residents who fail to comply with quiet hour regulations are subject to disciplinary action. 24 hour Quiet Hours are in effect 24 hours per day for all exam periods.

Lost Keys

When you check in, you will be issued a room key and a mailbox key. The room key will open the main lobby entrances and your assigned room. Please be extremely careful in safeguarding your key and carry it at all times. Your key is for your protection; it should not be given to anyone. It is a violation of University regulations to duplicate your keys. You should always keep your door locked when you are away from your room and when turning in for the evening. Lost keys should be reported to the Housing Office. There will be a replacement fee of $100.00 for each lost key, including the mailbox key.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Garbage/Recycling

Students are to package all garbage in plastic bags, tie securely and place outside in the dumpsters provided. Similarly, students are responsible for placing recyclables in the recycling bins provided. It is the responsibility of the student, no matter which residence they reside in, to dispose of their garbage and recycling from all areas of residence.

Kitchen Use

Residents using the common kitchen in the residence dormitories are responsible for cleaning up after each use. This involves wiping the stove, washing dishes, removing garbage, and all cooking items. Items left in the refrigerator and freezer must be clearly labelled with the resident's name and room number. If there is no name, they will be thrown out during periodic cleaning of the fridge by Residence Life staff.

The dormitory common kitchens are to be used by residence students only. Disregard for the common kitchen can result in privileges being removed. The University is not responsible for items left in the common kitchen, including all items left in the refrigerator or cupboards. All items (including clean and dirty pots, pans, and dishes, etc.) left unattended in the common kitchen areas will be disposed of.

Laundry

Locations for laundry are as follows:

- To the left of Townhouse 10 for students who live in the Townhouses and Residence 3.
- Next to the first floor common room for students who live in Residence 4.

These laundry rooms are for the exclusive use of only the students in each residence. Laundry machines use the Nayex cashless system. The University is not responsible for damage to your personal belongings in the use of the laundry equipment or when it is left unattended in the laundry facilities. For repairs, please submit a Facilities Ticket in your Student Portal.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS



Bicycles (Including E-Bikes & E-Scooters)

To maintain a safe and accessible living environment, bicycles are not permitted inside residence buildings, including student rooms, hallways, stairwells, lounges, or other common areas. All bicycles must be stored and secured using the designated outdoor bike racks provided. The charging of e-bikes, e-scooters, or any similar battery-powered device is strictly prohibited within residence buildings, including student rooms and common spaces (with the exception of power-operated mobility devices that are required for accessibility or medical reasons).

Lithium-ion batteries can pose a significant fire and safety risk if damaged, improperly stored, or charged indoors. Residents found storing or charging these devices inside residence will be required to remove them immediately and may be subject to disciplinary measures.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Fire Safety

1. Fire alarms, extinguishers and smoke detectors are placed in the residences for your protection against fires. It is against the law to tamper with them. If it is determined that tampering has occurred, disciplinary action will be taken. Inspections will be made on a regular basis.
2. Residents discharging fire extinguishers needlessly, turning on false alarms, or tampering with smoke detectors and/or fire alarms will face serious disciplinary action. Violations of this nature could result in termination of campus residence and/or expulsion from Algoma University or fines imposed. When a fire extinguisher has been used, please report it immediately to the RA's, custodians or security.
3. Fire Drill Evacuations are performed periodically in residence. At the sound of the fire alarm, you need vacate the room/building immediately. Move quietly and orderly out the nearest exit and away form the building at least 50 feet beyond the door.
4. All residence students on campus during a fire drill must report to the designated msuter point and wait for instructions from Residence, Security, or the Fire Department.
5. The building should not be re-opened until an authorized all-clear signal is given. You can then re-enter the building. This process is easiest if everyone moves quietly and orderly back through the same door which they left the building.
6. For your own safety and that of everyone else in the building, you are required to comply with all fire drills. Fines may be imposed to residents who do not leave their unit/dorm during drills. Mandatory Fire Evacuation training will be provided during orientation.
7. Failure to evacuate for a fire alarm will result in a $1000 fine.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Roommates

Room Assignments
The University will make all residence assignments and may adjust housing conditions as the need arises. Your preferences are considered according to the date the University received your campus residence application and room deposit.

There are several reasons why the University may need to consolidate rooms, including but are not limited to, space needed to house additional students, to resolve issues, to better utilize the facilities, and for the safety of the students. The University reserves the right to change room assignments, require a student to move to a different room, or assign and reassign rooms in any way that will best utilize the facilities available.

Room Change Requests
Room change requests will be considered starting the third week of the semester unless there is an urgent need. If you are on a waiting list and a room becomes available, you may also be moved earlier. Room changes will only be considered as needed for extraordinary reasons or during turnover at the end of the semester, since frequent room changes break down the community in residence.

Room changes must be approved by the Housing/Residence Life staff and follow the procedures outlined below:

1. Obtain, complete, and submit the Room Change Request Form. If approved, you will be issued new keys and will be given a timeline to move your belongings to your new room. There will also be a $50 administrative fee for approved room changes.
2. Return old keys immediately after completing your move.

If there is an urgent need for a room change, please contact a member of the Housing/Residence Life team and this process may be expedited.

Roommate Agreements

1. Connect with your Residence Advisor, or drop in during Office Hours, to meet with a member of our team and complete your Roommate Agreement. Please note, all roommates must be present to complete this agreement. This agreement, signed by all roommates and a Residence Advisor, is due two weeks from move in.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Student Cards

Your student card will provide you swipe access to your residence building and hold your meal plan. We will regularly update student cards with building access as they are issued. Please email housing@algomau.ca if you have any questions or concerns regarding your swipe access.

Programming

Throughout the year, your RA's will be planning some fun events for you to attend, whether it's just for your floor/townhouse, or all of residence collectively. Keep an eye on your email and on posters around Residence for more information!

Service Animals/Pets

Pets are not allowed in residence. If pets are found in a living unit, the occupants will need to remove the animal immediately and may be subject to sanctions.

Service Animals are permitted and must be approved through Accessibility Services and then the Housing/Residence Life teams. A service animal contract must be completed in addition to the roommate agreement prior to the animal arriving in residence.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Appliances/Cooking

The electrical system is not designed to carry heavy loads of electrical equipment. Electrical appliances such as hot plates, electric frying pans, rice cookers, toaster ovens and toasters etc. cannot be used in either of the Dormitory residences for electrical and safety reasons. The townhouses, which are each furnished with fridges and stoves are properly equipped to handle electrical kitchen appliances.

Air conditioners, sun lamps, dishwashers, freezers and space heaters are not permitted in any residence areas. All lights and appliances must be CSA approved for indoor use. You can direct any questions you have about whether an appliance is appropriate to the Housing Office. A power bar with surge protection is recommended if additional plug-ins are needed.

Extension cords and multiple outlet adaptors can be dangerous and cannot be used in residence. A surge protector is recommended if you are going to use a computer in your room.

You are welcome to have a small refrigerator in your room. If you decide to purchase a mini-refrigerator, please remember that it must not exceed 5.0 cubic feet in size, draw over three amps of power or exceed 34 inches in height. All cords and appliances must have CSA approval.

All student-owned units must be removed from rooms and/or units at the end of the academic year. The University assumes no responsibility for small refrigerators and/or their contents during breaks. Mini fridges left after the move out date will be disposed of and a fee charged to the residence student. The University assumes no responsibility for any content within the fridge.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Disciplinary Measures

Disciplinary measures and sanctions in Residence are applied when students living on campus, and/or their guests, are in violation of the:

1. Student Code of Conduct (Non-Academic)
2. Residence Handbook (this document!)
3. Any other university policy/procedure that impacts residence or the residence community

Disciplinary Process:

1. Warning (verbal or written) - ONLY for minor infractions
2. Level 1-3 Fines/Sanctions
3. Residence Probation
4. Eviction

The disciplinary process may be escalated/fines may be increased based on the nature of incident and/or impact of the incident. Disciplinary action and fines are determined by the Residence Life Team staff and reviewed by the Manager of Ancillary Operations. Fines over $50 may be appealed using the Residence Fines Appeals Policy.

Misconduct by residence students or guests in the townhouses, dormitory, or anywhere on the grounds of Algoma University will result in discipline against the individuals involved in the incident. If the University deems the violations to be of a more serious nature, the University will evict an individual(s) from Residence within 24 hours notice, and/or take further steps if deemed necessary.

Any behaviour which adversely affects a student or staff's rights or the University's or personal property is subject to Disciplinary Procedures. Residence students and guests are to respect the spirit and letter of this system and Community Standards.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Investigations

When a member of the Residence Life team receives allegations from members of the University community that a student's behaviour may be a violation of the Residence Handbook and/or Residence Contract, or a staff member believes an incident necessitates sanctions beyond a warning, an investigation or disciplinary process may begin.

The Residence Life team shall conduct a preliminary assessment to determine whether the incident is within their authority to investigate (if not, the incident will be redirected to the appropriate group).

The Residence Life team shall contact the Respondent by Algoma email to schedule a meeting.

Additionally, the Residence Life team will impartially collect evidence and interview witnesses in relation to the allegation. All University community members are expected to meet with the Residence Life team if requested to do so.

Following the investigation, the Residence Life team shall determine whether there is sufficient evidence to support a finding that the student has been in violation of the Residence Handbook and/or Residence Contract. If there is sufficient evidence, the Residence Life team will impose sanctions on the student and inform them in writing.

If the Residence Life team concludes there is insufficient evidence to proceed or that there is no violation of the Residence Handbook and/or Residence Contract, the matter shall be closed. The student will be informed in writing.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Sanctions

Sanctions include, but are not limited to:

Verbal Warning
May be issued by any member of the Residence Life Staff and will be recorded for future reference. Can be issued without an investigation.

Written Warning
May be issued if a verbal warning has been given and ignored or when the seriousness of the incident warrants a written warning. The Residence Life team may issue a written warning. Can be issued without an investigation.

Fines
The Residence Life team will issue fines. If fines exceed the amount of the student's damage deposit, students will be billed directly for the balance and academic marks, degrees will be withheld and/or students will be unable to register for courses until all outstanding balances are paid.

Probation
Following an incident of a serious nature or an accumulation of minor offences, you may be placed on a Behavioural Contract. This probation means that if you are involved in any future incidents in which you or your guest(s) violate the Residence Handbook or Residence Contract, it can result in your eviction from Residence. Depending on the time of year and behaviour, if you wish to return to Residence for a subsequent year you may be placed on probation as a condition of acceptance to Residence.

Eviction
May occur if you violate the conditions of probation, display extreme behaviour, tamper with safety equipment, and fail to maintain status as a student, break the law or other similar incidents of a serious nature.

LIVING IN RESIDENCE: THE BASICS

Sanctions Continued

Denial of Re-admission
If you apply to live in Residence for a subsequent year, you can be rejected based on previous behaviour, damages, and/or lack of cleaning during the year and/or time of move out. Late or non-payment of fees or fines may also influence future acceptance into Residence.

Residence Bans
When you are banned, you cannot return to the Residence or any Residence functions. Residence bans can apply to both Residence Students and their guests. Violation of this ban could result in trespassing charges being laid by the Sault Ste. Marie Police Services.

Privleges Revoked
The university reserves the right to permanently or temporarily revoke privileges, access, or permissions to space or said privileges.

Residence Students have the right to appeal any sanctions given by the university.

Please refer to the appeal process.

RESIDENCE GUEST POLICY

The Residence Guest Policy applies to all students in all residence buildings at Algoma University. Algoma University reserves the right to permit or remove any guests. As a resident, you have a responsibility to ensure that this handbook is upheld, which includes the responsibility for your guest's behaviour. There is a limit of one guest per resident. As such, hosting guests in residence is a privilege that may be revoked if violations of the guest policy occur.

- A guest is defined as anyone found to be in residence who does not reside on campus
- An overnight guest is any person that is not an occupant of the unit who is present between 10:00PM-8:00 AM. Overnight guests may not stay for a period longer than 2 nights during a two-week period, nor may they stay more than 10 nights during a semester.
- Security staff and Residence Advisors reserve the right to ask residence and non-residence students to leave a residence building if they are not signed in as per the Residence Guest Check In Form. This form is posted in all residence building lobby areas and can also be accessed here.
- Note: Residents are not permitted to allow a guest to stay in their room without the consent of roommate(s).
- Students are not permitted to host guests during Orientation Week, during the examination period, or any other time deemed in the best interest of the residence community.

RESIDENCE BILL OF RIGHTS

Your enjoyment of life in residence will depend, largely, on the thoughtful consideration that you have for your others.

Basic rights of residents include:

1. The right to read and study free from undue interference. Unreasonable noise and other distractions can keep you from enjoying this right.
2. The right to sleep without undue disturbance from noise, guests of other residents, etc.
3. The right to expect that others will respect your personal belongings.
4. The right to a clean environment in which to live.
5. The right to free access to your room and facilities without pressure from others.
6. The right to personal privacy.
7. The right to host guests, within the guideline of the guest policy and with the expectation that guests will respect the rights of other residents.
8. The right for redress of grievances. Residence staff is available for assistance in settling conflicts.
9. The right to be free from fear of intimidation, physical and/or emotional harm.
10. The right to expect reasonable cooperation in the use of the unit's telephone, television and other amenities.
11. The right to enjoy your stay in residence.

Remember: To be a mature adult is to accept responsibility for the welfare of others. Only you can assure that others enjoy these rights.

SAFETY & SECURITY

Security Services

Security provides 24-hour service for the convenience of students. The security kiosk is located beside the Z door of the main building (next to NW200). Security Staff may be reached at any time on campus by dialing (705) 949-2301 extension 4444. In case of extreme emergency, you should dial 911 for police, ambulance or fire services.

Residence Advisor Contact

There are cell phones that students may call for assistance in residence if an urgent situation occurs. A Residence Advisor from our team will answer the phones to assist. Urgent situations include but are not limited to:

- Concerns regarding residents not respecting handbook or code of conduct policies
- Maintenance issues that require immediate attention;
- Room lockouts

The main phone is 705-971-7755.

Room Security

One of the best ways to prevent theft is to keep your doors locked when you are out of the room. Theft or unauthorized access to your room, no matter how trivial, should be reported immediately to Security and your Residence Advisor. The University is not liable for loss or damage to property of the student or guest. The University strongly recommends that student property be insured against loss or theft. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Security.

SAFETY & SECURITY

Entry and Search Procedures

Algoma University recognizes and respects the rights of its students to have privacy with respect to their personal belongings. The University also recognizes its responsibility to provide a safe environment, to protect public property and to protect the health and safety of all members of the University community. The University reserves the right to enter University dormitory rooms, and townhouses (rooms) under any of the following circumstances:

- When there is an immediate threat to the health and safety of the Occupants or to University property
- With permission of a resident
- With a search warrant
- By University personnel in the course of utilizing recognized legal authority or their responsibilities as University employees
- By residence life staff or security staff when there is probable cause to believe that a University regulation had been broken or where there is a specific indication of danger in a student room or unit
- By University personnel and their designated agents for repair, replacement or inspection of University property
- By a residence advisor to complete closing and checkout procedures
- To conduct inspections
- During non-residency, over extended time that resident is away, i.e. Christmas Break

Rooms are the sole property of the University and not the resident's. University staff will conduct routine inspections and maintenance activities from time to time. The University reserves the right to remove from the room, without the resident's permission, any objects or materials, which constitute a health or safety risk, illegal appliance, hazard, or are property of the University. The University does not assume responsibility for items of a personal nature that are damaged, lost or stolen. Where possible and if deemed necessary, the University will provide advance notice for maintenance purposes.

BUILDING CARE

Decorating Rooms

While we encourage you to personalize your room as much as possible, painting of any room or University property is not allowed. We encourage you to add personal touches to your room, but we do ask that you keep in mind good taste, safety, and the rights and sensibilities of other residents.

Each student is responsible for the condition of the furniture, walls, windows and floors in the assigned room. Nails, hooks, tack, and tape can all mark or damage walls or furniture; therefore, none of these are allowed except on bulletin boards. Students must only use mounting materials provided by the housing office.

Any decorative lighting must be CSA approved for indoor use and all decor must be fire safe.

You will be charged for any damage that you cause in residence.

Maintenance

If you experience or observe a maintenance problem (i.e. something broken, wifi/internet issues, heating problems, etc.), please report the problem to the Facilities Department by submitting a Facilities Ticket in your Student Portal. Include your residence building and room number in the email for efficient service.

For urgent maintenance matters, please call the RA cellphone at 705-971-7755.

BUILDING CARE

Damage Control/Deposits

Keeping all areas of residence in the best condition possible is every resident's responsibility. Anyone responsible for damage to a residence room or common room will be required to make financial restitution.

Housing & Residence Life prioritizes fairness in the assessment of damages and in determining the person(s) responsible. All rooms and common areas are inspected regularly by the Housing and Residential Life staff, and the initial condition of the room is recorded when residents move in. All residents are responsible for maintaining their rooms and common areas in a clean and orderly manner.

If there are any fees owed to the University at the end of an academic term/year, your damage deposit will be applied to the fees owing first and any remaining damage deposit balance will be refunded when you leave. If damage costs exceed the amount of the damage deposit, students will be billed directly for the balance and academic marks, and/or degrees will be withheld and students will be unable to register for courses until all outstanding balances are paid.
Maintenance and housekeeping deficiencies, charges for broken fixtures, and damages to rooms and common areas are noted during inspections and fines may be levied.

Charges for common area damages, such as vandalism or theft of hall fixtures, will be equally assessed to all residents of the living unit unless the person or persons responsible assume full responsibility/cannot be identified.
If you know who is responsible for residence damages, it is your responsibility to tell your RA or the Housing and Residential Life Office.

Students who are guilty of deliberate damage are subject to disciplinary action and will be charged under the Student Code of Conduct.

BUILDING CARE

Cleaning Standards

The residence cleaning policy ensures occupants of the Algoma University residence buildings keep all living areas clean and free from potential hazards. All residence occupants are expected to contribute positively to the living environment and respect residence buildings.
Residence room inspections will be completed throughout the semester. All residence occupants are responsible for the general orderliness and cleanliness of their room/building/townhouse. Daily custodial service is provided for general residence areas and dormitory washrooms will be cleaned weekly.

Below are some general cleaning guidelines:

a. Remove and properly store personal items and garbage from all shared spaces.
b. Sweep and/or vacuum floors and carpets.
c. Wash dirty dishes, and clean cooking appliances, exhaust fan, counters and the stove top after use.
d. Townhouses Units - thoroughly clean in and around toilets, sinks, shower areas, mirrors vacuum floors, and maintain the kitchen/living room area.
e. Clean the outside and the inside area of the stove/oven and refrigerator after use.
f. The University accepts no responsibility for lost food should refrigerators get unplugged or cease to function due to abuse, damage, or unforeseen circumstances.

SEXUAL VIOLENCE RESPONSE & REPORTING

All members of the Algoma University community have the right to work and study in an environment that is free from any form of sexual violence. Sexual violence includes Sexual violence of any kind is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. Algoma University is committed to:

- responding to sexual violence as outlined in our policy;
- educating and training the University community about prevention, how to assess situations for risk for sexual violence and about how to reduce and prevent these forms of violence and harassment;
- working closely with student groups such as Algoma University Students Union (AUSU), Shingwauk Anishinaabe Students Association (SASA) and peer mentors on sexual violence prevention;
- maintaining annual statistics on disclosed and reported incidents of sexual violence on campus for the purposes of community education and legislated reporting that may be required. This data will not include any information that would identify any community member and is the responsibility of Human Resources and Student Success and Wellbeing.

Algoma University Residence students will be required to attend Sexual Violence Training and take part in awareness campaigns throughout the year.

The full Sexual Violence Policy may be found here.
The full Sexual Violence Procedures may be found here.

Any individual who requires immediate assistance or support is encouraged to contact any member of the H&RL Staff team or Campus Security (Ext. 4444).

WITHDRAWALS

Any student living in residence is required to sign a contract for the duration of their stay. This contract ensures that students make a commitment to the University for accommodations and that the University can plan accordingly for service and staffing needs.

Any student wanting to withdraw from residence must complete a request to withdrawal. Please refer to Schedule A for associated fees.

Any student evicted from residence will be responsible for full contractual agreement and all assessed fees.

Damage costs and any other outstanding fees to the University will be deducted from any refund.

A student must vacate an assigned residence space within 24 hours after his/her withdrawal or eviction for the university/residence, or as directed by Housing & Residence Life Team. Any belongings left in the residence will be discarded within 3 days of vacating the residence. The Housing & Residence Life Team may treat these belongings as abandoned and dispose of them without notice.

Students, in writing, may appeal the Algoma University Residence Withdrawal Policy to the Director of Student Life & Ancillary Services.

COMMUNITY LIVING STANDARDS



Alcohol

1. Residents must abide by the laws and policies governing the use and consumption of alcohol. The legal minimum drinking age in Ontario is 19. Underage drinking on Algoma University property is not permitted. The brewing of alcoholic beverages, drinking games, and paraphernalia used in unsafe drinking practices are also not permitted.
2. The Residence Life staff and security reserve the right to address issues involving underage drinking and excessive alcohol use. Alcohol bans can be placed on an entire residence floor, building, or townhouse at any time by Residence/Housing Staff.
3. The consumption and possession of alcohol is not permitted anywhere in R4, the residence quad, any common area, nor in any space where someone under the legal drinking age is present.
4. You are responsible for safe alcohol consumption for you and your guests in Residence. It is your responsibility to know if a guest is underage in your room/townhouse and to ensure they are acting in accordance with residence policies when visiting you. This applies to other residents and outside guests.

Cannabis

The consumption and possession of cannabis is not permitted anywhere on campus, including residence. The full Cannabis Use Policy can be found here.

Smoking

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the Algoma University campus. The full Smoke-Free Campus Policy can be found here.

Code of Student Conduct (Non-Academic)

Students must also abide by standards in the Non-Academic Student Code of Conduct as a part of the community living standards in residence, as well as throughout their time as a student of Algoma University. The full policy may be found here.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS



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Wellness

Our Algoma University Wellness Team is available to help our students connect with all the resources they have at their disposal. Students can make an appointment with a Wellness Team member by emailing us at wellness@algomau.ca. Our team will respond during business hours, Monday to Friday, between 8:30am and 4:30pm.

The full Student Wellness and Safety Guide may be found here.
The full Student Mental Health Policy may be found here.

Please scan the QR code to visit our Health and Wellness webpage

What can be found on this webpage?

- In Person & Virtual Supports both at AU and in the community
- Health Insurance information
- Online Wellness Assessment
- More!

IMPORTANT CONTACTS



Emergency Contacts

If it is an emergency where someone is in immediate risk of harm, please call 9-1-1.
If you, or somebody you know, is thinking about suicide, please call 9-8-8.

Security
(705) 949-2301 ext. 4444

Residence Advisor On Call
(705) 971-7755

Please use this number for non emergency, but urgent residence matters (ie. room lockout, mainitenance issues needing immediate attention, etc.)

Residence Maintenance
Submit a Facilities Ticket

Residence Life Team
residencelife@algomau.ca

Housing Coordinator
housing@algomau.ca

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