

Thanksgiving and Semester Break Information

It's hard to believe the semester is winding down. We hope you are looking forward to both Thanksgiving and the end of the semester. Please read this information carefully which includes information for both the Thanksgiving holiday and the end of the semester.

The last day to do a room change for the fall semester is Tuesday, November 24th. Room changes will be available again after the 10th day of classes in January. Residents who would like to switch rooms for the spring semester should work with their Residence Director and the Office of Residence Life.

Thanksgiving break starts after the last class on Tuesday, November 24th.

◆ **Please be sure to empty all trash and turn off all lights, alarm clocks, radios and such before leaving.** ◆

If you will be on campus at all during Thanksgiving Break, please let your Resident Assistant know.



At the end of the semester, residents are expected to leave for the semester within 24-hours of their last exam so that others may continue to study in a quiet environment. All residence halls will close for the semester at **6:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 12, 2009**. Residents should make arrangements accordingly. Residence halls will re-open for residents at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 10, 2010.

Housing in the residence halls is not available during the semester break.

Before You Leave For the Semester Break

At the close of the semester, your room will be inspected for health and safety violations. Failure to properly secure your room for the break may result in being fined for violations. Safety of on-campus residents is a high priority. Residents do not need to move everything out over the break unless not returning for the Spring 2010 semester.

Please follow these guidelines when leaving for break:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> unplug everything from the wall, including things plugged in behind dressers and beds | <input type="checkbox"/> completely turn off bathroom faucets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> defrost refrigerator and leave door open | <input type="checkbox"/> leave bathroom doors unlocked |
| <input type="checkbox"/> empty trash, do not leave it in the hall | <input type="checkbox"/> turn off lights, close and lock windows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> valuable/significant items on the floor should be moved to "higher ground" for break | <input type="checkbox"/> consider taking any valuables with you |
| <input type="checkbox"/> take recyclable items to outside containers | <input type="checkbox"/> submit work orders for any repairs needed |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>sign up on your Resident Assistant's door for a time to be checked out for the semester</i> |

Be sure to take your room key with you for break. Your room door will be locked when you return, even if you did not lock it when you left. Residents who require RD on Duty assistance to be let into their room in January will be fined. Residents who do not check out before the halls closed are subject to a fine.

The halls will be locked and are not accessible at any time during the semester break. If for any reason you need access to your room, you may contact Campus Security at extension 8888 and they will give you access to your room. You must show your CamCard and pay a \$15.00 fee for this service. Access will be granted only in emergency situations.

As a reminder, there are no Open House hours for male visitation during Thanksgiving break or finals week.

No Roommate??

If you currently do not have a roommate, you may be assigned one for the Spring semester. Please keep one closet, dresser, and desk cleaned out and one bed uncovered. Failure to have your room ready for a roommate will result in a fine. Residents who are assigned a new roommate will be mailed her name, address, and phone number so that they may contact her over the break.

Any questions or concerns? Contact your Residence Director or the Office of Residence Life, x8633 or reslife@meredith.edu.