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Living on Campus

CNU offers residential living accommodations with amenities that simply are not found at comparable public universities. With a three year residency requirement, our residence halls provide a progressive living experience. Most first year students are assigned in double or triple bedrooms within their learning community. The majority of second year students reside in suite style rooms with shared bath and living room space. Many third and fourth year residents enjoy private rooms within two to four person apartments. All halls have extended basic cable service; WiFi Internet access; individually controlled air conditioning; wall-to-wall carpeting; micro fridge units; laundry facilities; and vending machines.

Within the halls, there are resident assistants assigned to specific groups of rooms. These trained student leaders handle the day-to-day concerns of residential students. They set the tone for the social environment of the residence halls and the community of honor that guides our campus. The University employs full-time professional staff to serve as hall directors or area coordinators within the residence hall system. These staff help to implement our residential curriculum which has five stated goals for residents: gain understanding of self and others; build positive relationships with others; make connections at the university and within the community; take responsibility for actions and their effect; move towards independence.

Security is one of the primary concerns for our resident assistants and professional staff in the hall; it is considered a shared responsibility with the residents. Exterior points of entry are monitored, and electronic locks are featured on interior doors and entry ways. On the main campus, an information desk in the lobby of each residence hall is staffed 24 hours a day. Residents must register non-CNU community members as guests at all times. University police work closely with Residence Life staff and residents to create a safe living environment; services include on-call emergency access to professional staff and counselors as well as community programming. Other safety measures include fire and smoke monitoring systems, fire suppression systems, and the Alertus emergency notification system in all residence halls.

Freshmen, Sophomore and Junior Residency Requirement

Effective with the Fall 2010 freshman class, first, second and third year students are required to live on campus unless they live with a parent or legal guardian in one of the following exempted areas: Newport News, Hampton, Poquoson, Yorktown, Seaford, Grafton, or Tabb. The residential experience is designed for students who are 17 to 22 years of age. Students who are younger or older than the previously stated ages will receive consideration on a case by case basis.

Santoro Hall

A first year residence hall housing approximately 430 students, Santoro Hall is arranged in two or three person rooms – four to five students share two bedrooms and one bathroom. Approximately 35 students reside in separate floor “wings,” with three wings comprising one floor.

York River Hall

Opened in the fall of 2002, York River Hall houses approximately 538 first year students. This residence hall consists of two separate buildings; York River East and York River West. York River Hall is similar to Santoro Hall in that it has suites of four students sharing two bedrooms and one bathroom.

Potomac River Hall

Housing approximately 482 first and second year students, Potomac River Hall opened the fall of 2004. Similar to York River Hall, Potomac River Hall consists of two separate buildings; Potomac River North and Potomac River South. It has four to five person suites sharing two bedrooms, one bathroom and a common living area.

James River Hall

This unique facility houses approximately 439 students in a variety of housing configurations: theme units, apartments and suites. All of the living arrangements feature a common living area and the theme units and apartments are equipped with kitchens. Single rooms are also available in the theme units and apartments. Although designed primarily for second year resident suites, third and fourth year resident apartments may also be assigned in this hall.

Warwick River Hall

Warwick River Hall opened in August 2012. The hall accommodates approximately 457 primarily second year residents in four, five and six person suites. Residents share two community kitchens located in the atrium area on each floor.

CNU Apartments

The CNU Apartments offer upper-class students the opportunity to experience the independence and convenience of apartment living along with all the advantages of campus life. Five separate buildings Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, and Harrison make up this apartment complex. The apartments are upscale two, three and four bedroom units offering each student their own private bedroom and bath. Each unit offers a fully equipped kitchen, a furnished living and dining room and a washer and dryer.

CNU Village

Opened in fall of 2005, the CNU Village is comprised of upscale two, three, and four bedroom units offering each student their own private bedroom and bath. Each unit offers an equipped kitchen, a fully furnished living and dining room and a washer and dryer. These units require a 10-month lease. The complex is composed of three buildings Tyler, Taylor and Wilson surrounding a centrally located parking garage. The parking garage offers each resident their own parking space. Located on the first floor of Wilson Hall are retail shops, which cater to CNU students and the surrounding community.

Greek Village

Opened in Fall 2016, Greek Village provides an opportunity for four of our fraternities and sororities to reside in traditional houses designed specifically for small group living. Reserved for third and fourth year residents only, the houses accommodate approximately 25 students each in single or double occupancy bedrooms. Each house has a large living and dining area, kitchen, laundry, and outdoor space.

CNU Crossing

CNU Crossing has become the home for some of our sororities and fraternities. It offers residents the option of a two-bedroom unit that accommodates three students within one single room and a double room. Students share a bathroom, living room, and kitchen. One apartment in each block of four apartments has been designated as a chapter room where the organization can display its awards, trophies and composites.

CNU Landing

This apartment complex offers additional Greek housing for students in these designated groups. Two, three and four bedroom apartments are available in 28 units located behind CNU Village. Each apartment offers a full kitchen, living room, private bedrooms and private bathrooms.

Rappahannock River Hall

Opened in fall 2013, Rappahannock River Hall is comprised of upscale two, three and four bedroom units offering most students their own private bedroom and bath. Each unit offers an equipped kitchen, a fully furnished living and dining room and a washer and dryer. The complex has an attached parking garage for students who reside there.

Dining Choices

Dining Services offers several meal plans to meet the variety of needs of the campus community. First-year residential students can choose either the 14 or 19 meal plan. Our first year residential students are required to participate in one of these two meal plans. Upper-class students living in units without kitchens may choose between 19, 14 or 10 meal plans. For the convenience of upper-class residents with kitchens and off-campus students we offer a 5 meal plan to assist in meeting their dining needs.

Residential students participating in the meal plan program may choose to eat in Hiden Hussey Commons or Regattas in the David Student Union.

The Commons is located near Santoro Hall offering casual, comfortable dining in a food court setting. The Commons serves breakfast, lunch and dinner Monday through Friday, and brunch and dinner on Saturday and Sunday. The Commons offers an expansive selection of entrees served buffet style with specialty self-service venues.

Regattas, in the David Student Union, is an operation featuring a huge selection of menu choices. We serve lunch and dinner Monday through Friday and brunch and dinner on Saturday and Sunday. Selections include: the grill making fresh hamburgers, make your own waffles with fresh fruit, breakfast all day, hot entrees and vegetables, extensive salad bars, three fresh made soups, pizza from our stone oven, pasta served to order and Mongolian Grill. Finish the meal with a selection of fresh fruits, desserts or hand dipped ice cream with all the toppings.

The Commons and Regattas offer an All You Care To Eat fare and daily vegetarian entrees and vegan selections. The David Student Union also houses several cash operations, Chick-fil-A, Sweet Street and The Bistro all serving their own signature menus.

Financial Information

All rates referenced below are for the 2018-2019 academic year. The Housing & Dining Service rates are determined annually and approved by the Board of Visitors, which are established and announced in the spring for the following academic year.

Room fees for double occupancy: \$3527.00 per semester; single occupancy is \$4002.00 per semester; triple occupancy is \$2977.00.

Room fees for CNU Apartments Harrison, Monroe, and Washington: \$4902.00 per semester for a 12-month lease.

Room fees for CNU Landing, CNU Village and CNU Apartments Jefferson and Madison: \$4181.00 per semester for a 10-month lease.

Board fees for 19-, 14-, & 10-meal plan: \$2203.00 per semester; 5-meal plan: \$1148.00 per semester (Only residents with kitchenettes or commuter students are eligible for this plan).

To apply, complete the *Housing and Dining Services Contract Acceptance Form* available at the Housing website: housing.cnu.edu. Occupancy is on a first-come, first-served basis for incoming freshman classes. A ten-month TuitionPay payment plan is available. For details contact TuitionPay at (800) 635-0120.

Deadlines

Room and Board fees must be paid in full prior to check in. These fees are due by 3:30 p.m. on the Payment Due Date (postmark does not apply) designated for each semester unless other arrangements have been made (i.e., financial aid award, deferred payment plan, etc.) If applicable, students are asked to check with the Financial Aid Office to ensure all paperwork is in order and that they are eligible to receive aid.

Contract Cancellation

1. Students who cancel their contract after occupancy but who remain enrolled at the University will remain liable for all room and board fees for the term of the contract.
2. Students who fail to meet obligations under the terms of the contract may qualify for a partial refund.
3. New students who cancel their contract prior to June 30 will receive \$100 refund on their Housing Deposit. For further information, please reference the University Housing Contract.