



## STUDENT LIFE POLICY

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**Number/Title: 702/Residency Requirement Policy**

**Covered Individuals: Fayette Campus Students**

**Covered Locations: UIU Fayette Campus**

**Effective Date: July 15, 2014**

**Date of Latest Revision: October 13, 2022**

**Consultations: Student Life, Enrollment Management, Academics**

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### PURPOSE

This policy establishes residency requirements for Upper Iowa University (University or UIU) students attending the Fayette campus.

### DEFINITIONS

Primary Residence – dwelling where a person usually lives; a person can have only one primary residence at any given time

Transfer Students – students with 24 or more semester hours of graded transferable college credit who have been admitted to the University based on their college credentials from all institutions

Military Serving – includes active duty, active duty for training, inactive duty training, and full-time National Guard duty

Residency – living on campus for a specified period of time while classes are in session

### POLICY

All students are required to live in University residence halls. Students who meet at least one of the criteria below may seek a waiver of the residency requirement, through which they can request to live off campus.

The following criteria are accepted when seeking a waiver of the residency requirement and requesting to live off campus:

- Lives in primary residence within 30 miles of the Fayette campus for two years prior to enrollment; parents' or guardians' names must be included in the request
- Has completed at least 90 credits
- Is a transfer student to UIU and has completed at least 48 credits
- Married and/or has dependent children
- 22 years of age or older

- Military serving or (honorably discharged) Veteran

Waivers of the housing residency requirement are available via the Residency Requirement Waiver Form. Those seeking a waiver must do so 30 days prior to the start of Session 1 or Session 3. All requests to live off-campus are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Requests in which at least one of the above criteria is not met are rarely granted.

Once a student is approved for a residency requirement waiver, it is for the remainder of their time at UIU, unless they decide to move back onto campus at some point after approval. If a student decides to live on campus, they will need to complete another waiver form for any future plans to live off campus.

## **RULES, PROCEDURES, GUIDELINES, FORMS, AND OTHER RELATED RESOURCES**

Residency Requirement Waiver Form

## **CONTACTS**

The Assistant Vice President for Student Life is responsible for answering questions regarding the application of this policy.

## **SANCTIONS**

Students who fail to take up residency or move off campus without permission will be assessed a financial penalty of \$3,000.00 per year for the duration of the residency and an 80-commuter meal plan per semester for the duration of the residency.

## **HISTORY**

- July 15, 2014 – The newly created policy was approved by the President’s Council
- February 6, 2015 – Policy was approved by the Board of Trustees
- November 10, 2016 – Annual review of policy and approval by President’s Council
- April 3, 2018 – Annual review of policy
- April 11, 2018 – Approved by President’s Council
- October 11, 2021 – Revised version recommended by University Policy Committee provided additional changes were made; they were
- November 10, 2021 – Revised version recommended to President Duffy for approval; President Duffy approves