

Residence Life

Vision

Residence Life aspires to provide the foundation for a proactive, supportive community for all Jaspers where they feel safe and comfortable discovering who they are and who they are in relation to others.

Mission

The mission of Residence Life at Manhattan University is to significantly improve the sense of community among the student body providing opportunities for involvement, leadership development, interpersonal engagement, and personal discovery that ultimately aid in the academic success of the student.

Values

To achieve its mission and vision, Residence Life staff support all learning domains of the campus wide co-curriculum, paying particular attention to:

- **Community and Global Engagement:** understanding campus living as a microcosm for the world at large, we encourage students to become engaged within their community in order to develop an understanding of the world's interconnectedness
- **Diversity and Inclusion:** we support this domain by creating opportunities for students to engage with those from a variety of lived experiences both in their personal living spaces and in the larger residential community in order to foster a sense of respect and appreciation for others
- **Health and Wellness:** through independent living, students come to a more complex understanding of their personal needs and develop strategies in order to meet them
- **Jasper Spirit:** fostering a relationship to the history and traditions of Manhattan University connects our residents to the generations of Manhattan students who came before them, and all those who will come after
- **Leadership:** we support this domain by providing opportunities for involvement and employment that allow students to work with others collaboratively toward common goals

Our Communities

Manhattan University offers four distinctive residence halls, all conveniently close to the center of campus. Our coed halls are much more than comfortable dorms to sleep and study in, they're also home to a tight-knit Lasallian community where you'll develop close friendships and enjoy a wide network of support.

Our dedicated professional staff, along with students serving as Resident Assistants (RAs) and Learning Community Assistants (LCAs) help to create a safe and enjoyable living atmosphere. They strive to assist our students' growth and to achieve our expectations of respect and civility.

Suite-Style Living

Horan and Lee Halls both offer suite-style living where you'll share a bathroom with your roommates, but not the entire floor. Lee Hall houses primarily first-year students, while Horan caters to our continuing student population.

Traditional Community Living

Jasper and Chrysostom are traditional-style dorms where two students share a bedroom and everyone on the floor shares a bathroom. Chrysostom houses continuing students in single-room accommodations.

Apartment-Style Living

Horan Hall has 3-person, 5-person, and 6-person apartments housing up to 170 Junior and Senior students. Each unit has a full kitchen, dining and living room areas, and private bathroom(s).

Living-Learning and Themed Communities

The Arches

The Arches program is a learning and living community for freshmen. Students live together in a residence hall and take one class each semester of their freshmen year that is specifically designed for the Arches program, which incorporates cultural excursions and service projects. In addition, special events and activities are offered to Arches students, so they can bond, develop a sense of community, and create lasting friendships with peers, faculty and coordinators.

Global Jaspers

Global Jaspers is an intentional partnership between Residence Life and Global Engagement to create a community for Jaspers looking to globalize their NYC experience by joining an intentionally placed residential community made up of students from around the world.

Mi Casa

Mi Casa is a themed community designed in partnership with Multicultural Student Services to help create and support a community for all students interested in the Spanish language and in Hispanic/Latino culture in NYC and the world more broadly. The community will focus on creating opportunities for first-year students and continuing students to explore various cultural facets, delve more deeply into the interplay between identity and culture, and develop University and community-wide support networks.

Manhattan University Residency Requirement

The residential community at Manhattan University provides students with a strong foundation for success, developing connections, and achieving full immersion into the University experience. As such, all full-time undergraduate students who enter Manhattan University in the Fall 2019 semester and thereafter are required to live on campus for the

first two years of their University experience, with the opportunity to live off-campus after achieving junior status (60 credits) and two full years of university enrollment.

That is, beginning with students who enter Manhattan University in the Fall 2019 semester, all full-time freshmen and sophomores are required to live on campus unless the student:

- Is planning to reside at the home of their parent/guardian within commuting distance of the campus and reside at their legal residence
- Is 23 years of age or older at the start of the academic year
- Is married
- Has a dependent child
- Has been a veteran of at least two years of active military duty
- Transfers to the university from another 2-year or 4-year university or university
- Has completed a four-year undergraduate degree or is participating in a graduate program

Exemptions to this policy must be applied for on or before February 28 by continuing students. Incoming students may apply for an exemption on or before June 1 or at the time of their deposit to the University. Students who meet the above requirements in the middle of a housing contract period are subject to the terms and conditions of the housing contract and will incur any penalties found therein.

Students who are on track for 60 credits and two full years of University enrollment remain eligible to live on campus and may opt to do so through the regular housing selection process. Students who have completed the two-year residency requirement and have 60 completed credits must provide Manhattan University their off-campus housing location for the following year by August 1.