HOUSING NEWS

Johns Hopkins University

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WELCOME CLASS OF 2021

Welcome Class of 2021 to Johns Hopkins University, your home for the next four years! In this newsletter, we've compiled some useful information about housing and our community for you. Please see your "Living at Hopkins Guidebook" available at https://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/community-living/university-housing/ for our various building amenities, policies, and services.

Please do not hesitate to stop by your housing office with any questions or concerns. We hope your stay at Hopkins is an enjoyable one, and we encourage you to make use of the information provided to enhance your college experience. Best wishes for a great year!

IMPORTANT OFFICES

If you live in AMR I, AMR II or AMR III A&B

AMR II Housing Office 410-516-8282

If you live in Wolman or McCoy

Wolman Housing Office 410-516-7960

Office of Residential Life

410-516-8283

J-Card Office Information Technology

410-516-5121 410-516-4357

Office of the Registrar Career Center

410-516-8080 410-516-8056

Offices of Academic Advising

410-516-8216 (Arts & Sciences); 410-516-7395 (Engineering)

Student Employment Services Recreation Center Office

410-516-8414 410-516-5229

Health and Wellness Center Counseling Center

410-516-8270 410-516-8278

Security

410-516-8700 (Escort Van Service); 410-516-5278 (Lost & Found)

410-516-7777 (Emergencies); 410-516-4600 (Non-Emergencies)

Orientation Information

The Johns
Hopkins
Orientation Staff
has worked long
and hard to
create an
exciting and
enjoyable
orientation
experience for
the Johns
Hopkins
freshmen.

Take advantage
of this
opportunity to
meet fellow
classmates and
future friends
while engaging
in fun events
around campus.

Visit https://studentaffairs.jhu.gedu/orientation/
for schedules
and more
information.



Out and About: Getting Around Baltimore

Welcome to Charm City! Baltimore is a large and diverse collection of neighborhoods, people, and events. Take advantage of all that the city has to offer over your next four years. Exploring off campus is a great way to become a member not just of the Johns Hopkins community, but of the greater Baltimore community. In addition to the Charles Village restaurants and shops along St Paul St., JHU is also within walking distance of several other neighborhoods. Waverly, located several blocks east on 33rd St., hosts an incredible farmers market every Saturday morning. Hampden (where Hairspray was filmed) is an artsy neighborhood to the west of Hopkins. It is home to a variety of incredible restaurants and funky stores. This city has something to offer everyone, so don't miss out! Visit https://baltimore.org/ for more information.

Utilize your travel resources

Most students on campus don't have cars, but that's not an obstacle to exploring the city! Many of Baltimore's most interesting destinations are accessible by walking or by taking buses, all whose services are **free of charge!**

Blue Jay Shuttle: If you are anticipating a huge supermarket run or need to get somewhere close to campus and don't feel comfortable walking after dark, use the Blue Jay Shuttle. They operate on fixed routes with point-to-point service between 5:50 PM and 11:30 PM. From 11:30 PM to 3:45 AM, the shuttle reverts to Night Ride only, which is on-demand, curb-to-curb service to and from locations within the service area. All shuttles begin their routes at Brody Learning Commons. For schedules and routes, visit http://ts.jhu.edu/Shuttles/index.html or call 410-516-8700.

JHMI Shuttle: This is a great resource for Hopkins students and affiliates. Hop on either outside Barnes & Noble or by the Interfaith Center to get to other Hopkins campuses (the Medical Campus, Bloomberg, and Peabody). The shuttle also stops by Penn Station, and is the easiest way to get to Mount Vernon (just hop off at Peabody). Best of all, the JHMI comes by frequently on weekdays, and operates on weekends. For schedules, go to http://ts.ihu.edu/Shuttles/index.html.

Collegetown Shuttle: This service is available to all college students — just show your J-card. The shuttle is great for shopping trips to the Towson Mall, Towson Town Center (Target, Bed Bath & Beyond, etc.), or for going to other Baltimore colleges to visit friends. For schedules, please visit http://baltimorecollegetown.org/shuttle/index.html

Charm City Circulator: If you want to visit the Inner Harbor, Federal Hill, Little Italy, Fell's Point, Harbor East, or Fort McHenry, take the Circulator, a bus service for Baltimore inhabitants. The Circulator picks up at N. Charles & 31st, as well as St. Paul & 33rd. For schedules and routes, go to https://www.charmcitycirculator.com/

Playing it Safe: Security at Hopkins

As you begin to explore your new home away from home, it is important to remain safe while doing so. Whether you are on campus or in downtown Baltimore, it is fundamental that you observe rudimentary safety guidelines so that you have both a fun and safe Charm City experience. A few basic crime prevention tips include:

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Trust your instincts.
- Use well-lit walkways at night.
- Know where the emergency phones are located, both on and off campus.
- Use the shuttle, or call for an escort van, especially at night.
- Walk with a friend, or in a group.
- Use and download the LiveSafe app. Click here for more information.

Visit https://www.jhu.edu/life/security/ for more helpful safety guidelines.

Important phone numbers:

Emergency: 410-516-7777 or 911

Non-emergency (Security): 410-516-4600

Escort Van Service (Blue Jay Shuttle): 410-516-8700

These phone numbers can also be found on the back of your J-Cards.



GOING GREEN

Over the last few years, Hopkins has been making great strides towards becoming a more environmentally friendly campus. New programs have targeted important issues such as energy use, water consumption, recycling, and buying food with less of an environmental impact. The most important ingredients of these initiatives, though, are the members of the Johns Hopkins community. There's plenty that you can do to help out!

Save water:

- Take shorter, cooler showers
- Turn off the water when brushing teeth
- Wait until you have a full load to do laundry

Save energy:

- Turn off your lights and electronics, and unplug chargers
- Wash clothes using cold cycle
- Close doors and windows when the heat or air conditioning is on

Recycle:

- Don't throw trash in the recycling bins
- Recycle paper products, bottles, and cardboard
- Use the "Terracycling" containers



Our Commitment to Composting

Johns Hopkins University continues to work on increasing composting within our residence halls. Keep an eye out for the yellow composting bins in several areas across campus.

Don't know what to compost? Make sure to read signs posted on the bins and in our dining halls to reduce waste.

We are excited to see our compost weight numbers go up and trash numbers go down!

HOUSING AND MAILROOM SERVICES

HOUSING OFFICES

The AMR II Housing Office oversees AMR I, AMR II, and AMR III A & B. The Wolman Housing Office oversees Wolman and McCoy.

Students who are locked out of their rooms during business hours (8:30AM—5PM) should report to the appropriate housing office to receive assistance.

Other reasons to visit the housing offices include:

- Lost/Malfunctioning J-Card (you can also go to the J-Card Office in Garland)
- Borrow vacuums
- Use the music rooms
- Store suitcases in the trunk room
- Report maintenance or custodial issues
- Secure a space for your bicycle in the bike room

MAILROOMS

Students living in AMR I, AMR II, and AMR III A or B can pick up mail and packages in the AMR II Mailroom, while students residing in Wolman and McCoy can pick up mail and packages in the Wolman Mailroom.

Students are able to send stamped mail from either mailroom, but they must go to the Wolman Mailroom if they need to send packages or purchase stamps, envelopes, boxes, or other supplies.

How should students' mail be addressed?

For students in AMR I, AMR II, and AMR III A or B:

Student's Name

AMR II #

3510 N. Charles St.

Baltimore, MD 21218

For students in Wolman and McCoy:

Student's Name

Wolman #____

3339 N. Charles St.

Baltimore, MD 21218



Please use the name that you used to register with the University when you arrange to have mail or other items shipped to your residence hall mailing address.

Some Things to Know About Living in the Dorms

LOCKOUT POLICY

Incoming students should be aware of the Housing lockout policy.

If you lock yourself out of your room and require assistance from any University employee (Housing Staff, Residential Advisors, and Security), a record will be maintained concerning the occurrence.

If there are three occurrences, a meeting will be scheduled with a Resident Director from the Office of Residential Life.

Subsequent lockout occurrences will result in a \$20.00 fine (charged on your SIS account) for each additional incidence.



BEDLOFTING

Upon seeing your room for the first time on move-in day, you can decide how best to maximize your space efficiently. One option to do that is to make an appointment with the appropriate Housing Office to have your bed either lofted or de-lofted. Different loft levels are available depending on your room. For the fall semester, lofts/de-loft requests will be accepted from August 28 to



If you live in AMR I, AMR II, AMR III A or B:

Visit the AMR II Housing Office or call at 410-516-8282 | Mon-Fri 8:30AM-5PM

If you live in Wolman or McCoy:

Visit the Wolman Housing Facilities Office or call at 410-516-7962 | Mon-Fri 8:30AM-5PM

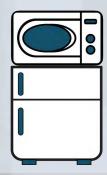
KEEPING YOUR ROOM CLEAN

Keeping your room clean will prevent it from attracting an odor, bugs, or other unwanted critters. Here's a list of things you can do to make sure you stay clean and organized:

- Make your bed every day
- Use a hamper or laundry bag for your clothes
- Set up a cleaning schedule with your roommate(s)
- Take out the trash and recycling
- Wash your dishes right after you use them
- Clean out your fridge
- If you live in AMR III A & B, Wolman, or McCoy, keep your suite bathrooms clean
- Vacuum (you can rent one from the AMR II Housing Office or Wolman Housing Facilities)



RENTING A MICRO-FRIDGE



Want to rent a microwave and mini-refrigerator unit for your room?

Go to https://www.myfridgerental.com/ to make an appointment for delivery.

Combination microwave and mini-fridge (including a freezer) OR stand-alone mini-fridges are available for rental through their website for the academic school year or per semester.

MyFridgeRental delivers your unit to your room before move-in, and picks them back up after move-out, per appointments.

TIP: Coordinate with any roommates you may have, and split the cost!



MORE THINGS TO KNOW

PROHIBITED ITEMS

Please DO NOT bring

- CANDLES
- PORTABLE AC OR HEATING UNITS
- PETS
- WEAPONS
- DRUGS OR ALCOHOL
- HALOGEN LAMPS





For the complete list of prohibited items, refer to the Housing and Dining Guidebook at www.jhu.edu/hds.

Changing Meal Plans

Meal plans can be changed at the beginning of each academic semester — students will be notified of exact dates of the change period via their JHU email address. In order to complete the change, visit the dining website at https://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/community-living/dining-programs/ and fill out the electronic Meal Plan Change form. Changes to meal plans are only allowed within eligible plans. The Meal Plan Change period is the first week of each semester.

Adding Dining Dollars

Additional Dining Dollars can be added to any existing meal plan anytime during the academic year. Unspent Dining Dollars automatically carry over from fall to spring semester, but are forfeited at the end of each academic year. For more information visit https://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/community-living/dining-programs/meal-plans/

For more information about Bon Appetit, visit the Dining website, or check out the Hopkins Dining on Facebook.

COMCAST CABLE SETUP

If you are interested in setting up a Comcast cable account for a personal TV in your room, contact Bryan Fitzsimmons, the Comcast account manager at JHU. You can call at 410-513-0522 to set up an installation appointment, or for any questions and concerns regarding Comcast.

IT @ JHU

Visit https://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/computing/ for all of your internet, computer, software, and other technology questions and needs. You can also call 410-516-4357 or visit the Johns Hopkins Technology Store in Garland Hall to receive on-site troubleshooting support from their professional Technical Assistance team.

Tip: Need an Ethernet cord? Stop by the Housing Offices located in AMR II or Wolman.

J-Cash

Running low on funds? Add money using a credit card to your J-card through your SIS account. Login, go to the tab "Personal Info," click "My J-Card," and then click "Add J-Cash."

TAKE A BREAK: SAVE THE DATE

There are several times throughout the academic year where students have breaks for Thanksgiving, Winter, and Spring.

For Thanksgiving and Spring Break periods, students who have made prior arrangements with their perspective Housing offices will be permitted to remain in their rooms. Dining facilities and monitored common spaces will be closed.

For Winter Break, all students must vacate their building. Personal items do not need to be removed from the room. However, students will not have access to their space until buildings re-open for Intersession.

It is crucial that you keep the residence hall academic break dates in mind when planning your departure from and arrival to campus. Please refer to the following dates when planning your time away from Hopkins.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thanksgiving Break:

Vacate: by 10AM, Saturday, November 18, 2017

Return: 12PM, Sunday, November 26, 2017

Winter Break:

Vacate: by 10AM, Saturday, December 23, 2017

Return: 12PM, Friday, January 5, 2018

Spring Break:

Vacate: by 10AM, Saturday, March 17, 2017 Return: 12PM, Sunday, March 25, 2017

To see our Housing and Dining Calendar, visit https://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/community-living/university-housing/information-resources/

THINGS TO DO BEFORE YOU GRADUATE

- 1. <u>Take a freshman seminar:</u> Freshman seminars are smaller-sized classes filled exclusively with freshmen. It's a great way to get to know some of your classmates, and a nice way to get settled academically with some really interesting class topics.
- 2. <u>Go to a lacrosse game:</u> Support our Blue Jays at every game! Make sure to especially go to Homecoming at the end of the Spring semester, one of the most fun games of the year!
- 3. <u>Go to Spring Fair:</u> For one weekend in April, Spring Fair transforms all of Homewood campus into a gigantic fairground with an outdoor food court, a craft fair, local vendors, and games. Yearly favorites include fried Oreos and Chicken-on-Stick from one of the many Thai food vendors.
- 4. <u>Go to Lighting of the Quad:</u> Kick off the holiday season with fireworks, lights, Hopkins swag, and holiday treats.
- 5. <u>Hang out at the Beach:</u> The Beach, located in front of the library, is a great place to lay back, relax, and catch some rays. When it's warm, you'll see people laying in hammocks or playing Frisbee.
- 6. <u>Walk around the Inner Harbor</u>: One of Baltimore's biggest tourist attractions, it's a beautiful spot with lots of sights, shopping, and restaurants.