Pets
No pets of any kind are permitted in the residence halls or apartment buildings. This includes all animals, including, but not limited to, birds, rodents, reptiles, fish and insects. If an animal is found, residents will be given a designated deadline to remove the pet from campus permanently. Residents who violate this policy may have their pets turned over to an animal shelter and may be sanctioned accordingly.

Personal Respect, Sexual Misconduct, and Anti-Harassment Environment
Residents and university staff alike, should take an active role to work together to foster a strong residential and university community by making reasonable efforts to discourage other residents and community members from engaging in inappropriate or abusive conduct. Said conduct or pattern of conduct could be related to or stem from inappropriate or unwanted behavior online (computer, email, social media, messaging platforms, etc), on the phone (calls, texts, etc), verbal or written communication, or third party interventions – any of which could create a hostile environment for an individual or group. Reports of behavior that alleges harassment, bullying, or other abusive behaviors will be pursued with serious investigation and disciplinary action per University procedures.

If any student engages in an identity-related, bias-related, or hate crime incident (any action or situation involving verbal, mental, or physical assault, and abuse, including harassment, intimidation, or other conduct that recklessly or intentionally endangers or threatens the health, safety, or welfare of another community member) they will face serious disciplinary action by the Office of Residential Life, the Office of Institutional Equity, and/or the Office of the Dean of Student Life. For more information of the University’s Harassment and Discrimination complaint procedures, http://oie.jhu.edu/discrimination-and-harassment/index.html

Johns Hopkins University Anti-Discrimination Policies

The University is committed to maintaining learning and working environments that are free from all forms of harassment and discrimination. Accordingly, harassment based on an individual’s sex, gender, marital status, pregnancy, race, color, ethnicity, national origin, age, disability, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, veteran status, or other legally protected characteristic is prohibited. The University will not tolerate any type of prohibited discrimination, including, but not limited to, sexual harassment (which includes sexual misconduct), other types of discriminatory harassment, or retaliation in the workplace or educational environment, whether committed by faculty, staff, or students, or by visitors to Hopkins while they are on campus. Each member of the community is responsible for fostering civility, for being familiar with applicable anti-discrimination policies, and for refraining from conduct that violates University anti-discrimination policies.

Questions or reports regarding discrimination, including under Title VI, Title IX, and Section 504, may be raised to the:
Office of Institutional Equity
Wymann Park Building, Suite 515
3400 N. Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21218
(410) 516-8075
TTY: 410-516-6225

Complaints of sex discrimination may also be emailed to: titleixcoordinator@jhu.edu

Please refer to the links below for the full text of, as well as responsibilities, resources, and procedures available under, the University’s various anti-discrimination policies:

General Anti-Harassment Policy/Policy Against Discriminatory Harassment: https://oie.jhu.edu/
The full Johns Hopkins University Sexual Misconduct Policy and Procedures can be found at http://sexualassault.jhu.edu/policies-laws/

Room Change
Room changes may occur after the six-week “room freeze” period ends. Students wishing to change rooms should contact their RA to discuss the situation thoroughly and to explore other options. No room changes or roommate switches will be permitted without official approval. Unapproved room changes will result in a fine of $75.

Room Keys and J-Cards
Room keys and JCards are very valuable items, and it is essential that students maintain their own safety by holding onto their key(s) and JCard(s). If a room key or JCard is lost, the appropriate Community Living Office should be notified immediately, or Security should be contacted if after hours. A lock change will result, the JCard will be replaced, and the student will be charged accordingly. Keys and JCards issued to the resident are the property of the University and cannot be exchanged, duplicated, or given to another student. Student safety is our utmost concern. In conjunction with our own efforts to provide a secure living environment, it is important that students take an active part in ensuring their safety by always locking their doors and never granting access to the living space to persons other than their guests, for whom they are willing to be responsible.

If you lock yourself out of your room and require assistance from any university employee in regaining access (including Housing Staff, Residential Advisors, and Security) a record will be maintained concerning the occurrence. Should there be as many as three occurrences, a meeting will be scheduled with the Residence Director of your building. During this meeting a conversation will take place to process how you; the student, can be better supported and more accountable for not misplacing your keys/JCard IDs in the future. Subsequent lockout occurrences will result in an excessive lock out fine for each additional incidence being charged to your SIS account.

Vandalism
The theft, destruction, damage to, or wrongful appropriation or vandalism of University, public or private property, or knowingly possessing stolen property is prohibited.

Furthermore, University housing is your home – your living environment and the buildings you visit should be treated with care. That means that you should not engage in or tolerate any behaviors that damage or destroy the facilities or furnishings. When vandalism occurs, not only does it damage the community physically, but it also drives up the cost of room rates as a result of required repair work. This means future residents pay more.

Weapons
The possession, wearing, carrying, transporting or use of firearms, explosives, paint guns/balls, pellet/stun weapons or any other kind of weapon (including, but not limited to, knives, nunchuks, swords, fencing foils, etc.) is strictly forbidden on University premises. This prohibition also extends to persons who may have acquired a government issued permit or license. Violation of this regulations will result in disciplinary action and sanctions up to and including expulsion.
W ithin university housing, students and guests are expected to know, understand, and adhere to the following policies and regulations in addition to those outlined in the Student Conduct Code at http://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/policies/student-code. This brochure is designed to give you an understanding of the community standards and policies you will be required to follow during your stay in university housing. Our goal is to provide each student with a safe, comfortable, and secure environment in which they can be successful in their academic, social, and personal pursuits. Please read this document in its entirety to familiarize yourself with these policies. This document is abbreviated; please see the “Living at Johns Hopkins Guidebook” issued in the fall for additional University Housing policies and procedures. Please note that students are also responsible for complying with other Student Life policies, which can be read at http://e-catalog.jhu.edu/undergrad-students/student-life-policies.

Liability:
The university is not responsible for damage to or disappearance of a student’s or her guest’s personal possessions unless such damage or disappearance is proven to be the result of the sole negligence of the university. This policy includes, but is not limited to, items in student rooms, bike rooms, trunk rooms, and music rooms. Just as in a private home, sometimes things happen that cannot be foreseen, and items are damaged. The University will do everything possible to expedite clean up of the facility. It is a good idea for students to insure their possessions because of the possibility of damage or theft. In some cases this can be done through the parent’s homeowners insurance. If this is not possible, we strongly encourage you to consider a renter’s policy. National Student Services, Inc. is one of many companies that specializes in servicing the collegiate environment. For information about renter’s insurance from NSSI, contact:

Mailing Address: PO Box 2137 | Stillwater, OK 74076
Phone: 800-256-6774
Fax: 405-372-9584
Email: contactus@nssti.com

In addition to ensuring that you have coverage for your valuable items such as laptop computers & tablets, cell phones, and jewelry through your own insurance provider, please also consider using a laptop cable-lock device which you can purchase at any major store or online.

Alcohol Policy
The possession, consumption or manufacture of alcohol by individuals under the legal drinking age under applicable law or the provision, distribution or sale of alcohol to individuals under the legal drinking age under applicable law, or conduct that violates the Drug, Alcohol, and Firearms Policies for Students is prohibited. You can review the relevant student’s policy code of conduct: http://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/policies/guidelines/student-code/.

The University will not excuse acts of misconduct committed by students whose judgment is impaired due to alcohol abuse. Please familiarize yourself with the University Alcohol Policy, Amnesty Policy, and Social Event Registration Policy at http://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/student-life/alcohol/alcohol-amnesty-policy. For information regarding the corrective measures and sanctions associated with alleged violations of the Alcohol Policy by residential students, please see http://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/community-living/residential-life/. Any activity that intentionally obstructs or hinders authorized use of University computer and network resources, or violates the conduct code is prohibited and will result in disciplinary action ranging from loss of computer privileges to suspension or termination from University. For more information please read “Policies for Student Use of Shared Information Technology Resources” located at http://www.it.johnshopkins.edu/services. Use of these resources is a privilege granted by the University, not a right.

Dangerous Chemicals
Residential communities should be free and clear of all potentially dangerous objects to ensure the safety of residents, guests, visitors, and staff present in the buildings at any given time. This includes fireworks, explosives, weapons of any kind, and chemicals or hazardous materials. For clarification on substances that fall into this category, please refer to the Student Conduct Code: http://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/policies/student-code/.

Decorating/Alterations
A full list of guidelines can be found in the Living at Hopkins Guidebook located online at http://studentaffairs.jhu.edu/community-living/university-housing. Please consult the guide before decorating or altering your space.

Drugs
The unauthorized or illegal use, possession, manufacture (synthesis or growth), sale, storage, transfer, transportation, or distribution of any controlled substance (including without limitation illegal drugs), or conduct that violates the University’s Policy on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Drug-Free Environment and Drug, Alcohol, or Firearms Policies for Students is prohibited. University staff are obligated to report any knowledge they have about any violation of this policy.

Fire Safety
Smoke detectors have been installed in each student room for protection in case of fire. In addition to detectors, AMR I, AMR II, AMR III Buildings A and B, Wolman, North and South Village, Bradford, Charles Commons, Rogers House, and Homewood have sprinkler systems. It is unlawful to tamper with this equipment or any other fire safety equipment, including, but not limited to, hanging any items from the fire safety equipment. Students will be charged for damage to these units.

Posters, tapestries, decorative lights, or any other items are not permitted to be hung from or draped across the ceiling. Wall coverings should be no larger than 24” x 36”, and posters, tapestries, or pictures (or a combination of the items) and other flammable items may not cover more than ½ of the total visible surface of the wall.

Flammable liquids such as propane and lighter fluids are prohibited. Candles, including decorative candles, incense, and hookahs, are not permitted in University housing. Halogen lamps of any type (desk, floor, or otherwise) and lamps with plastic covers are also not permitted in University housing. If found, they will be confiscated and disposed of.

Space heaters are also prohibited and will be confiscated, unless temporarily installed by maintenance or housing staff during urgent circumstances. Students may not install window or free standing air conditioners in their residence hall room/ apartment or suite.

Hover boards are prohibited from our residential buildings. They may not be stored, charged, or operated in University housing.

The possession or use of fireworks is a violation of Maryland state law as well as University policy and are prohibited.

WARNING: Changers (for cell phones, cameras, laptops, tablets, etc.) and adapters can pose a fire hazard. They are to be unplugged when not in use.

Guests
Residents are permitted to house overnight guests in their rooms, provided that they first obtain the consent of their roommate(s) and/or suitemates. However, the University reserves the right to prohibit overnight visitors. Extended visits (over 3 days) are prohibited by the University. Residents must properly sign in their guest(s) with Security, and guests must leave a form of picture identification with Security during their stay. Residents are responsible for and should be with their guests at all times. Keys are not provided for guests. All guests are expected to abide by our community standards and other University policies.

Health and Safety Assessments
Student rooms in University housing will be assessed for health and safety concerns once per semester by professional staff members from the Office of Residential Life. These assessments are intended to ensure that basic cleanliness and fire safety practices are being observed. The expectation is that you will observe at least a minimal level of cleanliness. Food should be stored in air tight containers, and dirty dishes should be washed promptly. Empty food containers, cans and/or bottle collections are NOT permitted. Prohibited items may also be confiscated if found in plain sight during maintenance or during inspections on close-down days.

Non-Smoking Policy
University housing, including residence halls and apartment buildings, are non-smoking. Specifically, smoking is prohibited inside University housing buildings, including but not limited to, student rooms, suites, lounges, bathrooms, common areas, stairwells, lobbies and elevators. In addition, remove window screens and leaning out windows to smoke is prohibited. The non-smoking policy includes but is not limited to cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vaporizers, cigars, and hookahs.

Residents who smoke must do so outside of the building and must be far enough away from the building that smoke will not filter into the building via exterior doors, windows or the building ventilation system. Any cooperation with this policy is expected. Any violation of this policy will result in a $75.00 fine and may be subject to further disciplinary action.