# **Before I Move In**

We will send an email to the student's SRU email when it is time to log back into the MyHousing/MyDining portal to complete the following:

- Sign up for a Move-In time (All Residents)
- Complete the Student Information form
- Register your devices with ResNet, our Internet Service Provider
- Make changes to your dining plan, if you wish
- Pay the House Council Fee
- Enter date of your meningitis immunization

For complete instructions on how to do this visit: <a href="https://www.sru.edu/life-at-sru/housing/moving-in">https://www.sru.edu/life-at-sru/housing/moving-in</a> under <a href="mailto:Before You">Before You</a> Move In

#### How do I pay my House Council Fee and how is it used?

The House Council Fee is due before you check-in at the beginning of the academic year. The \$20.00 fee is payable online through the MyHousing Portal, under <u>More Tasks</u> and <u>Before I Move In</u>.

The House Council Fee is used to help cover the cost of hall activities (dances, picnics, etc.) and damages in common areas. Also, equipment for student use may be purchased (vacuums, pool tables, etc.).

# **Moving In**

#### When can I Check-In?

You will receive information regarding move-in dates and times in July.

#### May I cook in my residence hall room?

Yes. Cooking in residence hall rooms is permitted with appliances that have automatic shut-offs. Hot pots, coffee makers, and microwave ovens that draw 8 amps of power or less are allowed. No open-coil or open-flame appliances are permitted. Please refer to the list of appliances not permitted at <a href="https://www.sru.edu/life-at-sru/housing/moving-in">https://www.sru.edu/life-at-sru/housing/moving-in</a> by clicking on the What to Bring link.

#### May I have a fish tank?

Yes. The volume limit is one 10-gallon tank per room. The tank may contain fish only.

# What can I bring to make life more comfortable?

We provide a bed, closet, dresser, desk, desk chair, and bookshelf for each student, along with window shades for each room. We encourage roommates to contact each other to discuss what each will bring to campus. You should confirm your room style by checking the MyHousing portal. You will also discover the name(s) of your roommate(s) and their SRU e-mail address so that you may contact them.

## What should I NOT bring with me to my residence hall room?

Large appliances such as refrigerators (over 4.2 cubic feet), microwaves (over 950 watts), cooking appliances that do NOT have automatic shut-offs, toaster ovens, ceiling fans, air conditioners, halogen lamps, candles and weight equipment. We posted a list of what to bring and what NOT to bring on the housing website under the Moving In tab. After reviewing the list if you are not sure about what to bring or what not to bring, call the Office of Housing & Residence Life at 724-738-2082.

# Are my belongings insured by the University?

No. Slippery Rock University does not insure your personal belongings and does not assume liability for theft or damages. A parent's and/or homeowner's insurance policy may provide insurance coverage.

### After I Move In

# Where are the good places to study?

Consideration of others is the primary responsibility of community living. Residents have the right to sleep and study in their residence hall rooms at any time during their community living experience.

In addition to your residence hall room, some excellent study places are as follows: residence hall study lounges, the library, the Smith Student Center, and some classrooms in certain academic buildings.

Please refer to the Quiet Hours Policy & Expectations in the Policies section of <u>On-Campus Living Guide</u> found on the SRU website.

#### **Room Condition Reports (RCR)**

When you move into your residence hall room, within 2 weeks, you are expected to complete a Room Condition Report (RCR) on the MyHousing portal. This report should be completed in detail to avoid charges for previous damages to your room. Any damage found in your room that was not noted on your RCR will be billed to you and/or your roommate(s) upon the first person checking out of the room.

## **Checking In and Out of your Room:**

When you check in or out of a residence hall room it is your responsibility to properly complete the check-in/out process. This involves:

In the case of move-in (check-in),

In the case of room switches (check-out (old room) & check-in (new room)),

In the case of university withdrawal (check-out), and

In the case of final check-out (check-out)

- Notifying your Community Assistant (CA) of your intended check-out date/time.
- Notifying the Residence Life Assistant Director/Graduate Residence Director in your new building of your intended check-in date/time.
- Completing the Room Condition Report (RCR) form for the room you are vacating.
- Completing and submitting within 24 hours a Room Condition Report (RCR) for the room into which you are moving.

#### **Responsible Computer Use**

To provide you with the best service for your personal computer we recommend the following guidelines for responsible computing:

# When using e-mail:

- Pay attention to virus protection warnings regarding infected files or messages.
- If you do not recognize the sender or the message appears out of context, do not open it.

#### When using the network:

- Close file-sharing programs
- Turn off your computer when you are not using it

- Do not share copyrighted materials over the internet
- Avoid peak network hours when downloading legal files
- If you experience problems with your internet connection (ResNet) call 1-855-813-7015 to speak to an Apogee representative

**Spyware** – can be installed without your knowledge and is used to transmit personal information to another source. In addition to the personal security concerns, spyware programs can deplete your computer's resources. Anti-spyware software can assist is detecting and deterring spyware packages from being installed.

**Critical Updates** or security patches will help to protect your computer from vulnerabilities such as backdoor ports, hackers, destruction of personal data, and preserve your computer's resources. Additionally, these updates avoid problems such as your computer sending viruses, span, personal data, etc. to others without your intent.

**File Sharing** has a direct impact on the speed of the SRU network. The bandwidth available is adequate for transfers when everyone is using a reasonable amount of bandwidth. Sharing of music and movie files slows down the network for everyone. The SRU network is closely monitored for illegal file sharing. Violations may result in suspension of internet access, possible criminal charges, and university judicial action.