

Valentine Housing for 5th year Students and Full-Time Master's Degree Students

Frequently asked questions

Who is eligible for Valentine Housing?

Valentine Housing is for undergraduate students in their 5th year (Take-5, E5, or students who simply need additional semesters to complete their degree) and for master's degree students in full-time programs. This includes programs like GRADE, GEAR, Simon 3-2 and BSN Completion.

Can my partner, spouse, or children live with me?

In Valentine, no. Valentine is residence hall housing. Students living in Valentine are assigned to a single room in a two-person suite. If you have a partner, spouse or dependent children, you are eligible to apply to live in one of the graduate living areas. More information here:

<https://www.rochester.edu/reslife/graduate/>

What are the visitation policies/procedures/guidelines?

With the consent of your suitemate, you may have an overnight guest for up to three nights. You are responsible for the behavior and actions of your guest, who must be in your company while visiting University property.

When can I officially move into Valentine?

Generally speaking, you can move into Valentine on August 1, January 2 or June 1 – depending on which date works best with your program. When you sign your housing contract you will see the contract dates.

What happens if I want to move in before the official start date of the contract?

Call us. While we cannot guarantee early move-in, we may be able to work something out based on apartment availability. There will be a fee associated with early move-in.

What if I am graduating in December or May?

No problem! When your program concludes, we will cancel your housing contract with no penalty. So if you are degree-complete in May, August or December, your housing contract completes with you.

When does Valentine officially close?

Valentine housing contracts end on May 31. If your program continues for additional terms, you will have the opportunity to sign an additional contract to extend your stay.

What happens if I want to stay longer than the official contract dates?

Generally speaking, when your academic program is complete, you are no longer eligible to remain in University sponsored housing. If you have a special need, call us. We can discuss very short-term options if space permits.

How do I request to room with my friend?

If space is available, we are glad to assign you to live in a suite with a friend – as long as the request is mutual. You will have an opportunity to indicate this on your housing application.

Will my room be furnished?

Yes. Your bedroom is furnished with a single bed (twin extra-long mattress), dresser, wardrobe, desk, desk-chair, and window coverings. Your bedroom door has a lock that is separate from the suite lock.

While your suite does not have a living room, you will share a bathroom and a kitchen with your suitemate. The kitchen is outfitted with a refrigerator, electric stove and oven, a sink and basic cabinets, a countertop and stools. The bathroom has a sink, cabinet, commode and bathtub.

Can I bring my own furniture?

No. The suite is furnished with university furniture, which you may not remove from the suite. You are welcome to bring personal items and décor, according to the Residential Life's published guidelines.

Is there housekeeping service?

Valentine hall, and all of the Southside living area are served by Rochester Management, Inc. (RMI). RMI cleans and maintains all public areas. You and your suitemate are responsible for cleaning your suite. Mops, brooms and vacuum cleaners are available for loan from the Valentine service desk. Trash and recycling must be removed by you, to the trash rooms on each floor. You are responsible for the upkeep and sanitation of your living space.

Where can I do my laundry?

There is a laundry room on the lower-level of Valentine. The cost of laundry is included in your room rate.

Can I bring a pet?

Only fish in a 5-gallon or smaller tank are permitted. You may have an Emotional Support or Service Animal with advanced approval from the University's Office of Disability Resources.

What other amenities are available in Valentine?

Valentine offers several attractive including: University wifi and streaming television; RAs in the building who plan events and activities and who can assist you with any concerns or needs; a Common lounge in Valentine basement, a beautiful courtyard with sheltered bike racks, picnic tables and grills; access to two University shuttle lines; a service-desk; adjacent to a parking lot (contact the Parking office for permit availability.) Coming Fall 2025: a 24-hour vending convenience market!