## Brown University 2023 - 2024 Housing Agreement

**1. Agreement.** Brown University ("Brown" or "the University") agrees to provide housing for the student in a residence hall based upon the terms and conditions of this Housing Agreement ("Agreement") and the University's established assignment criteria. The student indicates acceptance of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and agreement to follow the <u>Residential Life Policies and Rules</u>, as they may be updated from time to time, via the student's electronic signature. *If the student is under 18 years of age, the student's parent or legal guardian must also indicate acceptance of the Agreement and Policies and Rules via the parent or legal guardian's electronic signature.* Students who fail to sign this Agreement may not occupy a residence hall room. This Agreement is not a lease.

**2. On-Campus Housing Requirement.** The University maintains a six-semester On-Campus Housing Requirement for undergraduate students. Full details on this policy may be found on the <u>On-Campus Housing Requirement Policy</u> page.

**3. COVID-19 Health and Safety.** All students living in a residence hall must read, understand, and follow the guidance and requirements in the <u>COVID-19 Campus Safety</u> <u>Policy</u> and on the <u>Healthy Brown</u> website. Failure to abide by these requirements is a violation of the <u>Code of Student Conduct</u> and may result in discipline up to and including removal from campus and academic suspension.

**4. Dates of Occupancy.** Students may occupy their rooms under the terms of this Agreement as follows:

- A. Incoming first-year and transfer students may occupy their rooms beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 30, 2023.
- B. Returning students may occupy their rooms beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 2, 2023.
- C. Only students authorized in writing by the Office of Residential Life may occupy their rooms before their approved move-in date. Students who arrive to campus to move in earlier than the date established in this Agreement without prior authorization accept their room condition as is and waive any expectation that the room has been cleaned and inspected prior to occupancy.
- D. Residence halls will be closed from 12:00pm on Friday, December 22, 2023 until the Spring move-in date established by the Office of Residential Life. During this winter break period, only students authorized in writing by the Office of Residential Life may occupy their rooms.
- E. All non-graduating students must vacate their room within 24 hours of their last final examination but no later than 12:00pm on Saturday, May 18, 2024

(whichever is sooner), unless they are otherwise granted an extension in writing beyond that original date by the Office of Residential Life.<sup>1</sup>

- F. Graduating seniors must vacate their room no later than 12:00 pm on Monday, May 27, 2024 following Commencement, unless they are otherwise granted an extension in writing beyond that original date by the Office of Residential Life.
- G. Extensions to these dates of occupancy, including occupancy during the winter break period, may result in additional daily charges being applied to the student's account in accordance with the <u>Residential Life Policies and Rules</u>. Students who receive extensions to their dates of occupancy at the end of the Spring 2024 semester may be required to relocate to a temporary assignment for the extended housing period. Failure to comply with relocation requirements from the Office of Residential Life may result in referral to the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards, the student receiving Late Occupancy Fines, and/or termination of this Agreement
- H. Students who withdraw, take a leave of absence, are suspended, or expelled from the University must vacate their rooms within 24 hours after such withdrawal, leave, suspension, or expulsion takes effect.
- I. Students who maintain their Fall 2023 room assignment into the Spring 2024 semester, and who keep their personal items in their room between semesters, but do not return for the Spring 2024 semester will be charged the applicable room charge for the Spring 2024 semester. Prorated room credits may be given based on the student's Date of Withdrawal under the Spring 2024 schedule contained in this Agreement.

# 5. Room Charges and Payments.

- A. Room Charges. The student agrees to pay the University room charges which must be paid on or before August 1, 2023 for the Fall 2023 semester and January 1, 2024 for the Spring 2024 semester.
- B. Room Rates. The 2023-24 Room Rate is \$4,825 per semester
- C. **Non-Payment.** In the event that a student does not pay their room charges by the established deadlines, and is placed on a status of Refused Registration as a result, the Office of Residential Life may, in its sole discretion, take one or more of the following actions: (i) Postponement of scheduled check-in time and/or date; (ii) Suspension of access to University residence halls; and/or (iii) Termination of this Agreement.

## 6. Housing Cancellations.

A. This Housing Agreement secures housing with the expectation that once this

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The term "vacate" in this Agreement means that the student has emptied the entire room, suite or apartment (if applicable), corridor, and building of their person and items.

housing is not needed, the Office of Residential Life will be notified in a timely manner by completing of the housing cancellation form on the <u>Online Housing</u> <u>Portal</u>. Seniors who cancel the Housing Agreement are subject to the cancellation fees below.<sup>2</sup>

### B.

Dates	Cancellation Fee
Prior to February 1, 2023	No cancellation fee
February 1, 2023 - April 30, 2023	50% of the Fall 2023 room rate
On or After May 1, 2023	100% of the Fall 2023 room rate

# 7. Room Credits.

**A. Eligibility.** Students for whom on-campus housing has been reserved under the standard Dates of Occupancy are not entitled to prorated or altered room rates if they arrive after a term of occupancy has begun--i.e. late arrival.<sup>3</sup> Students who need to withdraw from a term of occupancy once it has begun may be eligible for a partial room credit. Prorated room credits, when applicable, will be made on the following schedule:

	Fall 2023	Spring 2024	
Calendar References	Date of Withdrawal	Date of Withdrawal	% Room Credit
On or Before	9/5/2023	1/23/2024	100%
Weeks 1 -2	9/6/2023 - 9/19/2023	1/24/2024 - 2/6/2024	80%
Week 3	9/20/2023 - 9/26/2023	2/7/2024 - 2/13/2024	60%
Week 4	9/27/2023 - 10/3/2023	2/14/2024 - 2/20/2024	40%
Week 5	10/4/2023 - 10/10/2023	2/21/2024- 2/27/2024	20%
After Week 5	10/11/2023 - 12/22/2023	2/28/2024 - 5/18/2024	0%

### B. Schedule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Senior is defined as any student who will be at or above semester level 07 for the Fall 2023 semester.
<sup>3</sup> Students who change their residency status--e.g. cancel off-campus status and transfer into on-campus housing--once a term has begun will receive a separate Housing Agreement with modified Dates of Occupancy and applicable housing charges.

- **C. Date of Withdrawal.** The date used to calculate the prorated room credit ("Date of Withdrawal") will be the date on which (i) the student has fully vacated their room, including removal of their person and all of their personal items, and (ii) all room keys are returned to the Office of Residential Life Key Office.<sup>4</sup> If the student takes a leave of absence or withdraws from the University and has not moved into their room, stored any personal items in their room, nor received their key, the Date of Withdrawal will be calculated based on the effective date of leave or University withdrawal as noted in Banner.
- **D.** Suspension, Expulsion, and Misconduct. A student suspended or expelled from the University or withdrawing while under investigation for academic or disciplinary misconduct is not entitled to any credit of room charges for the balance of the current semester.

### 8. Room Assignments

- A. **Assignment of Rooms.** This Agreement applies to any room to which the student is assigned as well as any room that the student occupies during the academic year, including the winter break period and any other extended housing periods. The University maintains responsibility for the assignment of rooms, suites, and apartments within the residence halls. Preference in residence hall and room assignments may be given to current on-campus students. Assigned space is not transferable by the student.
- B. **Non-Discrimination.** Brown University provides equal opportunity and prohibits discrimination, harassment and retaliation based upon a person's race, color, religion, sex, age, national or ethnic origin, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or any other characteristic protected under applicable law and caste which is protected under this policy, in the administration of its policies, programs, and activities.
- C. **Capacity Driven Spaces.** To ensure all students who are interested in or required to live on-campus have the ability to do so, the University reserves the right to modify the capacity of residential spaces. Students assigned to these spaces will be charged at the standard room rate.
- D. **Temporary Assignments.** The University reserves the right to temporarily reassign students to address facilities or health and safety concerns.
- E. **Guests.** No person may reside in a room that has not signed this Agreement other than an overnight guest who has been invited and will be hosted by the room occupant. Students are responsible for the behavior of their guests. Guests must comply with all applicable University policies and procedures, the <u>Residential Life</u> <u>Policies and Rules</u>, as well as health and safety requirements.
- F. Room Changes. When completing a room change, students are required to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The student must also vacate the entire room, suite or apartment (if applicable), corridor, and building of their person and items.

vacate their original room, return their key, and complete the room condition report for their new room within 72 hours. The University may move students or change housing assignments prior to or during occupancy as a result of health and safety reasons, disciplinary action, facility failure, or any other reason at any time at its sole discretion. If the student makes an unauthorized room change, the student may be required to move back to the assigned room and/or be charged \$100.00.

### 9. Keys.

- A. Issuance of Keys. Keys are issued by the University for each semester.
- B. **Key Pickup.** Only the student to whom the key is being issued may pick up keys. No other individual may pick up a key on another student's behalf. Failure to pick up room keys (without prior arrangements) by the end of the established move-in period may result in the forfeiture of the student's specific room assignment.
- C. **Key Return.** Prorated room credits, if applicable, will not be issued until all keys issued to the student by the Office of Residential Life, including but not limited to room keys, suite keys, and sabbath keys, are returned to and have been received by the Office of Residential Life. The only authorized key return locations are the Residential Life Key Office ("Key Office"), located on the 3rd floor of Graduate Center E (42 Charlesfield Street, Providence, RI 02906) and the key drop box located outside the Key Office accessible via the Charlesfield Street entrance.
- D. **Loaning of Keys.** When locked out, a student may be loaned a key by the Office of Residential Life. Loaned keys must be returned one hour after the student receives the loaned keys. If the loaned key(s) are not returned after one hour, a lock change may be scheduled at the student's expense.

Lockout Occurrence	Charge
First Lockout	No Charge
Second Lockout	No Charge
Third Lockout	\$10.00
Fourth Lockout	\$25.00
Fifth and All Additional Lockouts	\$40.00 + Referral to Office of Student Conduct

E. Lock Changes. There is a charge for failure to return keys by the end of the term of occupancy. Lock changes resulting from missing keys will be performed as soon as possible after termination of occupancy. All keys must be returned immediately upon termination of occupancy. Lock change prices are listed below and the applicable amount will be billed to the student's account.

Room Type	Lock Change Charge
Single Room	\$120.00
Double Room	\$130.00
Triple Room	\$140.00
Quad Room	\$150.00
Single in Three Person Apt/Suite	\$280.00
Double in Three Person Apt/Suite	\$290.00
Single in Four Person Apt/Suite	\$300.00
Double in Four Person Apt/Suite	\$310.00
Single in Five Person Apt/Suite	\$320.00
Double in Five Person Apt/Suite	\$330.00
Triple in Five Person Apt/Suite	\$340.00
Single in Six Person Apt/Suite	\$340.00
Double in Six Person Apt/Suite	\$350.00
Single in Seven Person Apt/Suite	\$360.00
Double in Seven Person Apt/Suite	\$370.00
Single in Eight Person Apt/Suite	\$380.00
Double in Eight Person Apt/Suite	\$390.00

- F. **Duplication of Keys.** Any duplication of keys is prohibited. Students who illegally duplicate keys will be billed for a lock change and referred to the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards for disciplinary action.
- G. **Unauthorized Loaning of Keys.** Students are responsible for all keys issued to them by the Office of Residential Life and are strictly prohibited from loaning their keys to other students for any purpose, including but not limited to providing access to their room or any other secured area accessible by the loaned key(s); and returning the loaned key(s) to the Office of Residential Life on behalf of the student.

## 10. Vacancies.

A. Assignment of Vacancies. If a vacancy occurs in a multi-occupancy room, suite,

or apartment, the remaining occupant(s) have the following options: (i) select qualified roommate(s) or suitemate(s) of the occupant's choice to fill the vacancy within three business days, or (ii) elect to remain in the occupant's present room and suite with the understanding that the University can assign new roommate(s) or suitemate(s) at any time. The University reserves the right to use any vacancy at any time at its sole discretion without notifying the remaining occupant(s).

B. Entering and Occupying Vacant Spaces. Students may not enter or place their personal items in vacant rooms or vacant spaces within rooms to which they are not assigned ("unauthorized spaces").<sup>5</sup> This prohibition applies to vacant rooms within a suite or apartment, as well as all other vacant rooms and room spaces in on-campus residence halls. Students who violate this prohibition will be required to immediately vacate and remove their personal items from the unauthorized space, which may result in charges assessed to the student account. The student is also responsible for any damages to the unauthorized space and may be additionally charged for said damages according to the published damage billing rates (section 11D), including but not limited to Trash Removal and Furniture Moving / Re-Assembling fees.

### 11. Care of Facilities

- A. **Student Responsibilities.** The student assumes responsibility for the cleanliness and care of the room and its furnishings. Reasonable safety and sanitation standards as determined by the Office of Residential Life must be maintained. Occupants may not dismantle, refinish, paint, dye, or in any way alter the room or its furnishings without written permission from the Office of Residential Life.
- B. **Damages.** Each student is financially responsible for all damages or defacement of the student's room, suite or apartment (if applicable), corridor, and building. All damages to rooms or the structures, appliances, fixtures, and furniture provided will be assessed against all residents of that area if specific responsibility is not ascertained.
- C. **Reporting.** Students must complete a Room Condition Report within 72 hours of occupancy. If a student fails to submit a Room Condition Report, the student waives the right to appeal damage charges.
- **D.** Damage Billing Rates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Vacant Spaces are defined as an open bedroom within a suite or apartment or an assignable bed space within a multi-occupancy room.

Room Damage	Fee
Late Occupancy Fine	\$150.00/Person/Day
Trash	Up to \$100.00/Person
Wall Paint	Up to \$250.00/Wall
Door Paint	Up to \$75.00/Side
Ceiling Paint	Up to \$400.00/Room
Floor	Up to \$1000.00/Room
Windows	Up to \$500.00
Shades/Screens	Up to \$75.00 Each
Furniture Moving /Re-Assembling	\$100.00/Piece
Bed Frame	Up to \$150.00
Mattress	Up to \$150.00
Dresser	Up to \$300.00
Desk	Up to \$300.00
Chair	Up to \$150.00
Bookcase	Up to \$125.00
Trash Can	Up to \$10.00
Recycling Bin	Up to \$10.00
Drapes	Up to \$1000.00/Room
Wardrobe	Up to \$500.00

**12. Right to Enter.** The University reserves the right to enter rooms without the consent of the occupant in order to provide for the general safety, well-being, and protection of the University community, its members, and property. This includes, but is not limited to, urgently needed repairs to the residence halls, as well as Health & Safety Inspections. It is not required that the student be present at the time of entry or for the student to be notified in advance. Additionally, an inspection will be completed whenever a vacancy has occurred within a room or suite/apartment to confirm the vacancy and condition of the room.

**13. Termination by the University.** The University reserves the right to terminate this Agreement and take possession of the room at any time for violation of this Agreement, violation of University policies which includes without limitation the Code of Student Conduct, and/or for reasons of order, health (including without limitation for reasons related to COVID-19 or any other epidemic, pandemic, or endemic), safety, discipline, academic deficiency, disciplinary suspension or expulsion, or when the resident exhibits disruptive behavior. Students whose Agreement is terminated by the University are responsible for payment of all housing costs associated for the term in which a violation occurred. The University may terminate this Agreement on an interim basis, in which case the student shall be responsible for housing costs during the interim termination period. Students whose Agreement is terminated on a permanent or an interim basis must vacate the room and surrender all keys within 24 hours of such termination unless otherwise noted in writing by the Office of Residential Life.

**14. Prohibited and Restricted Items.** Certain items are not permitted in residential rooms to ensure a safe living environment. The full list of Restricted Items is listed below. Prohibited and restricted items may be removed at the student's expense by the University. Students will be notified in writing if any item is removed. The University will provide a refrigerator and microwave in residence hall rooms.<sup>6</sup> Students will be responsible for any damages to a University provided refrigerator and microwave.

## **Air Conditioners**

Most of the residence halls at Brown are not air conditioned. Students are allowed to bring fans. Individual air conditioners (window or floor units) are not permitted. Students with a documented disability-related need for an air conditioner must register with and be approved by **Student Accessibility Services (SAS)** for housing accommodations.

If approved for use of an air conditioning unit by SAS, the student may only bring in a floor unit. No window units are permitted. Approved air conditioning units are not to exceed 12,000 BTU. All approved floor units must be installed by Facilities Management.

Students found to be in possession of and using an unapproved air conditioning unit will have the air conditioning unit confiscated and securely stored by the Office of Residential Life. The confiscated unit will be available for pickup upon check-out.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Each non-suite/apartment room will have one refrigerator and microwave. Each suite which does not contain a full-sized refrigerator as part of the standard furnishings of the unit will have one refrigerator and microwave per suite. Suites and apartments which contain a full-sized refrigerator will not have any additional university-provided refrigerators.

# **Appliances and Cooking Devices**

Community kitchens in the residence halls include appliances and are for the use of building residents only. Items such as rice cookers and in-home/table grills may be used in the community kitchen. Cooking in general is not permitted in individual student rooms. The following may not be used in student rooms:

- Electric and gas stoves (except University-installed stoves in en suite kitchens and kitchenettes)
- Toasters, toaster ovens, hot plates, burners, crock pots, timed cookers, electric coils, immersion heaters, and air fryers
- Fryers and grills of all kinds Any other appliance or instrument with an open flame or open heat source.

## **Coffee Makers & Electric Kettles**

Personal residential-style coffee makers are permitted in individual student rooms, provided they have an automatic shut-off feature, though coffee makers with an open heat source are not allowed.

### Large Appliances

Large appliances such as dishwashers/portable dishwashers, dryers and washing machines are not allowed in residence halls. The drain system cannot support a dishwasher or washers and dryers in places outside their designated area.

## **Barbeque grills**

Barbeque grills may be used on the patios outside residence halls provided they are attended and closely monitored, and provided all fire and/or smoldering charcoal is extinguished completely at the end of use.

Barbeque grills (charcoal or propane) may not be used inside the residence halls. The storage of grills, charcoal, lighter fluid or propane tanks (full or empty) inside a residence hall is also prohibited.

#### **Refrigerators and Microwaves**

The University will provide access to a refrigerator and microwave in the residence halls. Each non-suite/apartment room will have one refrigerator and microwave. Each suite which does not contain a full-sized refrigerator as part of the standard furnishings of the unit will have one refrigerator and microwave per suite. Suites and apartments which contain a full-sized refrigerator will not have any additional university-provided refrigerators.

#### **Candles and Incense**

Candles of all kinds and incense are prohibited in residence halls. Candles will be confiscated when found and may be subject to a fine.

## **Canopies/Tapestries**

Ceiling canopies and tapestries are not permitted, including wall coverings over 1600 square inches and unframed are prohibited in any residence hall room or sleeping quarters. Likewise, do not cover or hide your ceiling light with fabric. Under no condition is any tapestry or cloth covering to be within 12 inches of an electrical outlet.

# **Explosives/Fireworks**

Possession, use and/or distribution of fireworks, explosives, or other types of incendiary devices are strictly prohibited, which includes ammunition, incendiary devices, explosives, and flare guns.

# **Extension Cords**

Only grounded 15-ampere rated surge protectors are permitted in residence halls.

## Firewood

Firewood may not be stored anywhere inside or immediately adjacent to a residence hall.

# Halogen Lamps

Halogen lamps (floor or desk) are prohibited in residence halls.

## **Hazardous Materials**

Possession or storage of flammable chemicals, spray paints/solvents or any similar hazardous materials in residence hall rooms or storage areas is strictly prohibited.

## Decorations

Decorations can make the residence halls more festive in addition to providing for the expression of religious practice. If you choose to decorate, the following guidelines must be followed:

- No open flames, no candles, no Sterno (food warming-pan fuel cans).
- No real trees or wreaths. Artificial trees and wreaths are acceptable as long as they are non-combustible.
- Any lights must be UL-approved and in good condition. Lights must be kept clear of other combustibles. LED lighting is preferred.
- No lights may be used on building exteriors.
- Do not hang lights (nor anything else) near or on any fire safety equipment (sprinklers, alarms, et cetera)

## Lofts, Platform Beds

Bed frames in residence halls can be self-adjusted by residents. The highest position often allows for dressers and/or bookcases to be positioned under the bed, to allow for maximum floor space.

If a resident wishes to change the position of the bed, the recommended approach is for two people to adjust as follows:

- Remove the mattress.
- Push up on the frame from the bottom, to loosen the hooks from the bed ends (some residents have found it easier to turn the bed upside down, in order to push the bed frame down and loosen the frame from the ends).
- Position the hooks on one end into the new slots for the preferred height, then repeat at the other end, taking care to be at the same height on both ends.

Lofted bed frames are not permitted nor are personal beds, unless approved as a housing accommodation by Student Accessibility Services (SAS).

## **Motorized Vehicles**

Motorized vehicles, including mopeds and electric scooters, are not permitted inside residence halls.

#### Pets

Students are permitted to have fish (as pets) in residence halls; tanks cannot exceed 10 gallons. All other pets are strictly prohibited.

## Postering

Posters, signs, and notices may be placed only in **bulletin boards** that have safety glass. Any posters, signs, or paper on corridor walls, doors, stairwells or other public areas are subject to removal without notice. Remember: paper is fire fuel.

Students may place posters, decoration, and artwork inside their residence hall rooms (please note restrictions on wall coverings).

Residents are accountable for damages due to taping or stapling on interior or exterior doors, walls and ceilings.

## Smoking

Smoking is prohibited in all University buildings. Students are permitted to smoke outside, at a distance of at least 35 feet from the entrance to any University building, provided that there will be no migration of smoke into a University building. E-Cigarettes are included in this definition.

Evidence of smoking within the residence hall will result in a \$100 fine and tampering with any fire equipment within a residence hall will result in a \$300 fine.

### **Space Heaters**

Because of the fire and life safety hazard they pose, portable space heaters are strictly prohibited from use in residence halls. Remember, fire safety regulations that govern a building of college student rooms are much more restrictive than those for family living situations.

## Wall Coverings

Wall coverings can pose a fire and safety hazard to you and to the other students living in your building, and have the potential to cause damages to the residence halls. In addition to the restrictions on canopies, tapestries, and posters (see respective policies for specific details), peel and stick wallpaper, as well as all other student-provided wallpaper, is prohibited. It is important to remember not to disturb walls or ceiling material with hooks, nails or other materials, nor scrape or sand any painted surfaces in your living space.

## Waterbeds

Waterbeds are prohibited.

## Weapons

Possession, use and/or distribution of firearms, ammunition, explosives, or other weapons are prohibited.

Prohibited items include the following:

- Firearms (defined as any projectile-firing device)
- Guns (all types)
- Ammunition
- Incendiary devices
- Explosives
- Flare guns
- Air rifles (including paint ball rifles)
- Guns using BBs or pellets or darts
- Any slingshot device
- All knives (including martial arts devices and ceremonial swords), except those that are designed and used for food preparation

**15. Pets and Animals.** Pets are not allowed and are a violation of this Agreement, with the exception of service animals or University approved emotional support animals which are permitted in residential facilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Fair Housing Act. Residents with emotional support animals must first register and <u>submit a request</u> with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) to receive written approval and permission for an emotional support animal. Emotional support animals may not be brought to campus prior to approval. Residents with registered service animals and emotional support animals are responsible for complying with all <u>associated policies</u>, including but not limited to paying for any damage to University property caused by the animal.

# 16. Personal Property & Insurance.

- A. **Personal Property Insurance.** The University is not responsible for the personal property and items of residents. This includes items in students' rooms, in storage, in the laundry machines, being delivered on a student's behalf, en route, data stored on electronic devices, or under any circumstances. It is each student's responsibility to secure personal property at all times. The University strongly urges that all students have personal property insurance to protect from loss or damage due to theft, fire, flood, vandalism, and any other hazards. For more information please refer to the <u>University Policy on Student Owned Property</u>.
- B. **Protection of Items.** The University urges students to lock doors and windows of their room at all times. It is the student's responsibility to take precautions to secure their personal property and items. The University strongly urges all students to register their personal property with the Department of Public Safety through the <u>Operation Identification</u> property registration program.
- C. **Unclaimed Items.** Any personal property remaining in the residence hall after the term of this Agreement has expired, or once this Agreement has been terminated, shall be deemed unclaimed. The University reserves the right to remove unclaimed items from all areas in the residence halls. Unclaimed items may be disposed of in a manner deemed appropriate by the University, or packed, stored, and/or shipped at the student's expense.

**17. Fire and Life Safety.** Tampering with, removing, destroying in any way, or being in unauthorized possession of, fire extinguishers, fire alarms, smoke detectors, exit signs, or any fire or life safety equipment as well as not complying with fire drill procedures, is cause for disciplinary action and termination of this Agreement. Such tampering, removal, destruction, unauthorized possession, and/or non-compliance may result in additional charges to the student(s) or against all residents of that area (room/suite/floor/building/complex) if specific responsibility is not ascertained. Students whose Agreement is terminated by the University are responsible for payment of all housing costs associated for the term in which a violation occurred. Students whose

Agreement is terminated must vacate the room and surrender all keys within 24 hours of such termination unless otherwise noted in writing by the Office of Residential Life.

**18. Solicitation, Sale & Promotion Within Residence Halls.** With the exception of University student groups approved by the Office of Residential Life, solicitation, sale, or promotion of any goods or services by any person is prohibited in the residence halls. The premises are for residential purposes only and any other use constitutes a breach of the Housing Agreement. For more information please refer to the <u>University Policy on</u> <u>Student-run Business or Student Enterprise</u> and the <u>University Non-Solicitation Policy</u>.

**19. University Signage.** Tampering with, removing, destroying in any way, or being in unauthorized possession of University signage--including but not limited to restroom signage, building labels, room labels, Facilities Management QR codes, and bulletin boards-- is cause for disciplinary action and termination of this Agreement.<sup>7</sup> Such tampering, removal, unauthorized possession, and/or destruction may result in additional charges to the individual student(s) or against all residents of that area (room/suite/floor/building/complex) if specific responsibility is not ascertained. Students whose Agreement is terminated by the University are responsible for payment of all housing costs associated for the term in which a violation occurred. Students whose Agreement is terminated must vacate the room and surrender all keys within 24 hours of such termination unless otherwise noted in writing by the Office of Residential Life.

**20. Campus Construction Activity.** University construction projects such as new construction, renovation/renewal projects, or unforeseen repair may cause increased noise in the community. Due to the scope of projects, some construction work may take place during the academic year. Prior to and following a major construction project, continual work may occur in and around residential areas. By agreeing to these terms and conditions, and signing this Agreement, residents acknowledge that they have been advised of the potential for construction projects and they accept their housing assignment accordingly. The Office of Residential Life will make every reasonable effort to inform the residents of any upcoming projects but is not responsible for delays in construction or renovation/renewal projects.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> University signage in this Agreement is defined as signage (including but not limited to flyers, door hangers, signs affixed to walls, floors, doors, and ceilings, bulletin boards and bulletin board content) which any University official posts and which provides information regarding access to University information, services, and/or resources, provides for direction/orientation within a physical space, or provides security information.