

Office of Residence Life and Housing
New Students | Staff Select Update Notice

Thank you for choosing the Office of Residence Life to meet your housing needs for the Fall 2026–Spring 2027 academic year. UMES is committed to assigning housing through the add/drop period; however, as assignments are based on availability, we are unable to guarantee a housing assignment for you at this time. **You are not required to make a payment at this time.**

Housing Assignment Selection Recap

To keep you informed of the housing assignment process, the following selection periods have concluded:

- **Hawks Select:** April 9 – June 30

We are currently in the **Staff Select Period**, which began on **July 1** and will continue until all available housing spaces have been filled.

So, What Happens Next?

1. Complete the on-campus housing request form.
2. Monitor your UMES Hawk Mail email account for updates from the Office of Residence Life. You will be notified by email as housing becomes available.
3. Once you are notified of available housing, be prepared to submit your **\$300 housing payment and complete your housing application** immediately.

Important Note:

- Failure to respond to your housing update email and/or submit your required housing payment and application within **24 hours**, may result in the loss of your housing assignment as we move to the next housing request applicant on the list.

For Transfer Students:

- You always have the option to seek off campus housing. Private properties near campus that may have availability include:
 - Hawk Plaza (Princess Anne, MD): 443-736-2527
 - Talons Square (Princess Anne, MD): 410-651-3837
 - The Flatts (Salisbury, MD): 410-572-6101

Please note that UMES cannot recommend one property over another. If you opt to seek off campus housing, please contact the Office of Financial Aid and the Office of Student Accounts to discuss payment options as financial aid may not cover the costs of these spaces.

If you have found off campus housing, please notify us so we can remove you from the UMES housing request list. If you previously paid a housing deposit to UMES, your deposit will be refunded.

We also encourage you to consult with your academic advisor about the possibility of moving some coursework to virtual classes if this may better support your individual circumstances.

Important Reminders:

- Housing assignments will continue to be made through the add/drop period.

We truly appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to secure housing for all of our students. Should you still need housing through UMES for Spring 2027, your assignment will be given first priority.

Sincerely,

The Office of Residence Life Team