

## Relocated Lottery

Relocated lottery\*\* is designed for those students who have been informed by the Office of Residential Programs that their current room or suite is not eligible for "homesteading." Relocated students are given an earlier lottery time than all other students since they are not able to homestead their current space.

Students may participate in the relocated lottery by signing in to their housing application online during the designated relocated lottery time and selecting a room from a list of available spaces. (All rooms must be filled to capacity.)

*\*\*Students assigned to designated first-year residence halls are not considered eligible for the relocated lottery.*

## General Lottery

The general lottery process gives students the opportunity to select a space in the living area that best suits their needs and preferences. Selection priority is randomly assigned by computer-generated lottery numbers to all current resident students. General lottery numbers are prioritized by class year (i.e., rising senior, rising junior, rising sophomore, etc.). All rooms must be filled to capacity. (For example, a double room must have two occupants.)

## Random Assignment

Students who have paid their deposit by the designated deadlines and wish to be randomly assigned to a room must complete the online housing application and indicate that they wish to be randomly assigned by our office no later than Friday, April 6, 2012. The Office of Residential Programs will assign students a space based on their preferences, and will notify them via email. Students who apply for housing after the April 6 deadline will be assigned on a space-available basis later in the summer.

Please refer to the Residential Programs website ([hofstra.edu/reslife](http://hofstra.edu/reslife)) for all rules and procedures related to the room selection process.

### PLEASE NOTE:

Students are encouraged to sign up for a dining plan for the upcoming academic year immediately after selecting a room during the selection process.

## Room Selection 2012-2013 Important Deadlines

### Room Selection Timeline

DATE	DEADLINE/INFORMATION
Thursday, March 8	Online housing deposits and applications available via the Hofstra portal ( <a href="http://My.Hofstra.edu">My.Hofstra.edu</a> )
Monday, March 12	\$300 Housing deposit deadline to participate in homesteading or relocated lottery processes
Monday-Wednesday, March 12-14	Homesteading
Thursday, March 15	Themed housing lottery selection
Friday, March 16	Relocated lottery Deadline to submit \$300 housing deposit to participate in the general lottery process.
Monday and Tuesday, March 19 and 20	Graduate/law/medical student lottery selection
Wednesday and Thursday, March 21 and 22	Senior lottery selection
Monday and Tuesday, March 26 and 27	Junior lottery selection
Wednesday and Thursday, March 28 and 29	Sophomore lottery selection
Monday and Tuesday, April 2 and 3	First-year student lottery selection

### Full-time Student Registration Schedule

DATE	GROUP
Monday, March 5	Graduate students and seniors
Monday, March 12	Juniors
Monday, March 19	Sophomores
Monday, March 26	First-year students
Friday, May 25	Deadline to register for fall 2012 classes. After this date, unregistered students risk losing their fall housing assignment.

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Process

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## Dear Resident Student:

Greetings from the Office of Residential Programs! I hope you are well and are getting prepared and excited for the spring semester. There have been some important updates to the process for choosing your room for the 2012-2013 academic year.

For the third straight summer, there have been major upgrades to our residential facilities. Beginning in May 2012, Alliance and Constitution Halls will undergo the following renovations that will improve these communities, both physically and aesthetically.

- ▶ Redesigned entrances will better manage the flow of traffic entering and exiting the buildings.
- ▶ The exterior of the buildings will receive new windows, adding a distinctive and attractive view from the ground floor all the way to the scenic top floors and lounges.
- ▶ New flooring, paint, and ceiling tiles will beautify hallways, bedrooms and common spaces.
- ▶ Student rooms will have restorations to HVAC units.
- ▶ Brand-new, state-of-the-art furnishings will allow residents to study, rest, and have fun in our campus residences.

Enclosed you will find information about the room selection process for the 2012-2013 academic year. Please review this information carefully. Visit [hofstra.edu/reslife](http://hofstra.edu/reslife) for additional information about our online room selection process.

If you are a graduating senior, I thank you for spending your time on campus and would like to remind you that housing is available if you plan to return to Hofstra University for your graduate studies.

Please feel free to email us at [reslife@hofstra.edu](mailto:reslife@hofstra.edu) or call **516-463-6930**. We look forward to you living with us again.

Sincerely,

**Leonard Jones**

Director of Residential Programs and  
Housing Operations

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

In order to be eligible for the room selection process, you must:

- ▶ Be a current resident and have lived on-campus for eight semesters or less. (Commuting students may be requested as a roommate if they meet all other eligibility requirements during the homesteading period).
- ▶ Pay the \$300 housing deposit by the established deadlines.
- ▶ Meet New York state immunization compliance (or deposit will be rejected).
- ▶ Have no outstanding balance(s) on your student account at the time of deposit.
- ▶ Register as a full-time student for the fall 2012 semester by Friday, May 25, 2012.

## PAYING YOUR HOUSING DEPOSIT

Students can avoid long lines by opting to pay the required \$300 housing deposit online. Housing deposits can only be paid via credit card (Visa or MasterCard) or electronic check, and students may pay online through the Hofstra portal ([My.Hofstra.edu](http://My.Hofstra.edu)). If you choose to pay by cash or money order, you must stop by the Office of Student Financial Services, located in 206 Memorial Hall, South Campus. To pay online, please follow the steps below:

1. Log in to the Hofstra portal at [My.Hofstra.edu](http://My.Hofstra.edu).
2. Click on "Hofstra Online" via the navigation menu on the left.
3. Click on "Student Payment Center" under Student Services.
4. Click on "My Payment Center."
5. Select the "eDeposit" tab.
6. Select term (e.g., fall 2012).
7. Select deposit payment type (i.e., Housing Deposit).

## SUBMITTING YOUR HOUSING APPLICATION ONLINE

As of Thursday, March 8, 2012, you may complete your housing application online and indicate if you wish to homestead, be pulled into another resident student's room, be randomly assigned to a room, or go through the lottery process. You must pay the housing deposit before updating your housing application. You must also update your housing application prior to participating in the general lottery process. Please follow the steps below:

- ▶ Simply log in to the Hofstra portal at [My.Hofstra.edu](http://My.Hofstra.edu).
- ▶ Click on "Hofstra Online" via the navigation menu on the left.
- ▶ Click on "Residential Programs Menu."
- ▶ Select "Residential Programs Room Application."
- ▶ Select the term for which you are applying (e.g., 201209).
- ▶ Follow instructions to complete the housing application.

## ROOM SELECTION OPTIONS

There are five ways in which students can participate in the room selection process: Homesteading, Themed Housing Lottery, Relocated Lottery, General Lottery, and Random Assignment.

### Homesteading

Homesteading is a process by which students may reserve their current room or suite for next year. Also, through this process, students can request to live with another student in his/her current room or suite\* (thus being pulled in to a room). Students may request to "homestead" their current space by completing the online housing application and indicating that they wish to homestead their current room. All rooms must be filled to capacity. (For example, a double room must have two occupants.)

*\*If a student's space is ineligible for homesteading due to relocation, the student can elect to participate in the relocated lottery. First-year students may not homestead their space.*

### Themed Housing Lottery

Themed housing is designed to offer students who share educational, social or extracurricular interests the opportunity to live together. Students may choose to join an existing theme or create a theme with friends from common classes, clubs, organizations, fraternities or sororities. All rooms must be filled to capacity.