

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Teacher Programs – Residence Hall

What is check in? Is this more than picking up the keys to my room? How long does it take and where do I go? Check in at the 162 North State Street Residences occurs at the 4th floor Residence Life office. Residence Life staff members will provide your key and important building information. The check in process is brief, not likely to take more than a few minutes.

Can I check in late? Who do I contact? Is there paperwork to fill out? Check in is from 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. on Sundays. If you arrive after 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, the Campus Security officer in the lobby will contact the staff member on call to assist you. You will meet the staff member at the 4th floor Residence Life office.

What if I'm late or my flight is delayed or canceled? Who do I contact? We will not release your space unless Continuing Studies notifies us that you will not be attending. You do not need to contact Residence Life if you have unexpected delays; we will help you when you arrive.

Is there a parking lot if I drive to Chicago? Where is it and how much does it cost? There are many private parking structures near the 162 North State Street Residences, as close as across the street or around the corner. Parking in downtown Chicago ranges in price by location. You should plan to spend between \$25-40 per day for parking.

Can I request a specific room in the Residence Hall? Specific room requests are not accepted for Teacher Program participants.

Can I share a room? Can I bring a spouse or partner to share my room? Teacher Program participants are allowed to have overnight guests during their stay; however, guests have limited access to the building. Guests of participants must be escorted in the building at all times including when they want to enter or exit the building.

Guests will need to be checked in with Campus Security. Every guest will need a photo ID. As they check in with Campus Security in the lobby of the building, they will be issued a temporary ID pass. Guests are expected to carry this pass with them at all times.

Can I have guests in my room? Can they stay overnight? Do they need a pass or ID card? See above.

What are the hours for the Residence Hall? Can I return at any hour of the night? The residence halls are open 24 hours a day; you are welcome to come and go as needed.

Can I have alcohol in my room or in the Solarium studio? Teacher Program participants who are over the age of 21 years old are able to have alcohol in their room. People who are under the age of 21 years old should not be present when alcohol is being consumed. Participants are not allowed to have alcohol in any common area space including the Solarium studio.

Are there computers or printers that I can use in the Residence Hall? There are a few computers located in the 16th floor computer lab of the 162 North State Street building. Printing is not available.

Is there a gym in the Residence Hall and can I use it? Teacher Program participants are not eligible to use the exercise room in the 162 North State Street Residences.

Is it all right to paint in my room? Can I use oil based painting materials and solvents in my room?

Teacher Program participants should not create art in their rooms. Any damage to the facilities as a result of creating artwork in the room will be charged to the participant.

Is there a health service nearby? If there is an emergency, whom do I contact? There are several health related services near the 162 North State Street Residences. For minor injuries/illness, Michigan Avenue Immediate Care is located at 180 North Michigan Avenue #1605. For major injuries/illness, Northwestern Memorial Hospital is located at 251 East Huron Street. The Campus Security officers located in the lobby are available 24 hours a day to assist with health related issues.

Am I responsible for cleaning my room before I leave? Should I throw away any garbage and where?

Teacher Program participants are expected to leave their room in the same condition as when they arrived. Trash should be removed and taken to the trash room located near the elevators.

What are the Residence Hall policies for room cancellations? Withdrawal requests must be submitted in writing to cs@saic.edu and include the student's name, ID number, and program information. The date the request is received in writing is the date used to calculate the refund amount (if applicable).

What if I need to leave the program early? Will I be refunded a portion of my housing fee? No refunds will be issued for withdrawals less than one week prior to the start of the program.