

# Planning to live on campus again for Fall 2017/Spring 2018?

Follow the **HOST** Process!

**HOST** stands for **H**ousing **O**ptions **S**election **T**ime

The Office of Residence Life will soon begin the Fall 2017/Spring 2018 **HOST** process. Current on-campus residents who wish to secure on-campus housing for the next academic year must complete this process in its entirety. **HOST** is open to current on-campus residents only.

If you want to live on-campus in a residence hall or on-campus apartment for Fall 2017/Spring 2018, you **MUST** participate in this process and meet all advertised deadlines. Failure to complete **ALL** required steps will result in **NO CAMPUS HOUSING** for the Fall 2017/Spring 2018 academic year.

You will be receiving a **HOST** postcard hand-delivered by your CA in early November. **YOU** must sign for your own postcard (roommates cannot sign for roommates). The **HOST** postcard contains important information regarding the steps of the **HOST** process, deadlines that must be met, housing/facility reminders, news and changes for next year.

## **HOST** Process Steps to Secure On-Campus Housing for Fall 2017/Spring 2018

**Complete Step 1:** ApplyOnline for Fall 2017/Spring 2018 On-Campus Housing between December 1, 2016 and January 31, 2017. Miss this step, **NO HOUSING!** **ONLY** students who complete Step 1 will continue to receive information and instructions about how to select their room or apartment during the selection dates in February 2017.

**Complete Step 2:** Answer personal preference questions and enter requested roommates in MyHousing between December 1, 2016 and the date you can select your room/apartment in February. You will not be able to enter roommates until you first complete ApplyOnline. You **must** request enough roommates in MyHousing to completely fill the room or apartment you want by the selection date. You may only request students who currently live on-campus and have also completed Step 1 by the January 31 deadline.

**Complete Step 3:** One person in your fully matched roommate group will select the residence hall room or on-campus apartment you want to live in during the selection dates in February. There will be specific dates assigned depending on where you currently live, how many credits you have earned and then first-come/first-served.

Things you need to know:

- Your housing agreement is for the full Fall 2017/Spring 2018 academic year. We will not release students to move off-campus after the start of the academic year. Review the Housing Release Request Grid at <http://reslife.bloomu.edu/notice-release-offer.php> for information on what to do if you no longer need on-campus housing and whether or not you will be released and if so, at what cost.
- There will be **very** limited space in residence halls for upper class students. We will hold apartment tours in November for interested students to check out our on-campus apartments.
- The **Trinity House** apartments will no longer be part of our on-campus housing inventory. Students currently living in the Trinity House apartments can complete the **HOST** process to be eligible for housing in another on-campus housing complex.
- **Northumberland Hall** has a gender neutral bathroom on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor East (Navy Hall side). Gender neutral means the bathroom is available for both male and female use at the same time. There is also a female bathroom on 2 East and male and female bathrooms on 2 West.
- The **new residence hall** will be open Fall 2017/Spring 2018 and will offer suite style housing ranging in size from 1-person to 4-person single bedroom suites. Residents of each suite will share 1 or 2 bathrooms per suite depending on the number of bedrooms. The residence hall will have in room heat and air conditioning temperature control. A refrigerator and microwave will be provided in each suite, however there will be no other cooking facilities. Students living in the new residence hall are required to select either the A, B or C dining plan. Current on-campus residents will have the first opportunity during the **HOST** process to secure a suite in the new residence hall. The cost of the new suites will be approximately \$4200 per semester.
- **Montgomery Place Apartments (MPA)** will be converted to 2-person/2-bedroom apartments. Students interested in an MPA 2-person apartment will need to complete the **HOST** process to be eligible to select an available MPA apartment during the selection dates. However, as a precaution, you must also have 2 other roommates who sign up for an MPA 2-person apartment on file with the Residence Life Office. In the event that the new residence hall suites cannot open in time for the start of the semester, you will be consolidated in an MPA 4-person apartment with the 2 roommates you submit to Residence Life. This will allow us to house the students who originally signed up for the new residence hall suites in the open MPA apartments. If this occurs, Residence Life will pay the cost of your housing until the new hall is open and we return your apartment to a 2-person apartment. As of this date, there is no indication that the new building will not open in time for the fall semester 2017. Students will also be able to live mixed gender in MPA. If you wish to live with someone of opposite gender email [buhouse@bloomu.edu](mailto:buhouse@bloomu.edu) before January 31 for details on how to select an apartment during the selection dates. The cost of the MPA 2-person apartments will be approximately \$4200 per semester plus a \$200 utility charge per semester.

More information and instructions will be sent to your BU email address, posted in your residence hall or apartment lobby and on the Residence Life website under the **HOST** section.

\*\*\*If you **do not** want to live on-campus for Fall 2017/Spring 2018, do not complete any of the **HOST** steps.\*\*\*