

LASELL UNIVERSITY

NEW STUDENT HOUSING AGREEMENT 2022-2023

Room and board costs for the academic year will vary by living area. The charge for all rooms, except rooms in suite-style buildings, will be \$16,500.00 for the year. The charge for rooms in the suite-style buildings will be \$17,500.00 for the year. If a student is assigned to a single room, that student will pay a single room supplement of \$2,500.00 for the year in addition to the above-noted costs.

Lasell is a Gender Inclusive Housing community. The residential experience provides an important foundation for overall academic and social success. As an integral part of our living and learning environment, students can expect an inclusive living environment fully supporting all regardless of their gender, gender identity or gender expression.

Living in Gender Inclusive Housing requires all resident students to commit to the following:

- Respect all community members by contributing to a safe and comfortable living environment, free of discrimination based on characteristics including (but not limited to race, sex, color, age, national origin, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information or religion);
- Use inclusive and socially just language within and outside the residential community;
- Seek to understand different experiences; and support social justice and diversity initiatives within the community;
- Be accountable for one's guests in the residences and educate them regarding community expectations and values; and
- Agree to attend a Gender Inclusive Housing education session when offered in the residences.

All resident students may establish roommate and suitemate groups in an ungendered fashion. Students residing in single gender groups must understand that some rooms in their community may be ungendered.

Students are encouraged to engage in an open dialogue with concerned family members related to roommate preferences. Though students 18 and older are legally able to make decisions about their housing placements.

Specialty Housing Option:

Students assigned to the following Specialty Housing living options for the 2022-2023 academic year agree to live within the guidelines as specified for that environment.

Briggs House is designated as the Wellness House. All students living in this community agree not to use substances including alcohol, cigarettes or other illicit drugs, both within and outside of the building in which they reside.

Case House is designated as an Equity & Intersectionality House. A community for students who wish to build a safe, self-affirming, and energetic community that focuses on social justice, diversity, and inclusion. Provides a unique housing experience for students to inspire and support each other, and actively work to educate themselves and the larger Lasell community. Commitment to attend community meetings and engage in program planning.

Chandler House is designated as a Quiet Study House. Students choosing to live in quiet/study housing agree to maintain a quiet environment conducive to studying. 24-hour quiet hours will be in effect between 7 p.m. on Sunday and 4 p.m. on Friday. Weekends will have a combination of quiet and courtesy hours. Quiet hours are those times when there will be no unreasonable noise. Courtesy hours are those times when excessive noise will not be allowed.

East Hall is designated as an Honors Community. Welcoming incoming first-year and upper-class students who are in the Honors Program. The residence will provide a dynamic community setting for social and academic programming focused on the whole person and some of the key elements of the Honors experience at Lasell –confidence, creativity and fun; dialogue and debate; social difference, diversity and inclusion, and global perspectives on life challenges. Students who plan community events and innovative activities may receive Honors Component credit for that work.

Keeper House is designated as an Environmental Justice Living and Learning Community. Residents will focus on research and social action related to the effects of climate change and environmental disruption on people and other living things, with an emphasis on those people and living things least prepared, by virtue of resources or limited defenses, to withstand or mitigate those effects.

Carpenter House and Van Winkle Hall is **designated Women’s Only Housing for female identifying students whom may have a personal preference for this environment.**

NOTE: NO ALCOHOL IS ALLOWED IN THE FOLLOWING RESIDENCES: BRIGGS HOUSE, CARPENTER HOUSE, CHANDLER HOUSE, EAST HALL, GARDNER HOUSE, MCCLELLAND HALL, ORDWAY HOUSE, ROCKWELL HALL, VAN WINKLE HALL, WEST HALL AND WOODLAND HALL

Only students who are enrolled in and successfully complete 12 or more credit hours per semester may reside in University owned/operated buildings. Students may only take up residency in the room which they have been assigned.

An individual may be released from the *Housing Agreement*, without penalty, if the student: does not register for full-time coursework at Lasell; graduates; is involved in a full-time internship or clinical placement; is academically suspended or dismissed; or is suspended or dismissed through the Conduct System prior to the start of a semester. Students who wish to be released from their *Housing Agreement* for any of these acceptable reasons must notify the Office of Residential Life in writing by August 15th (for fall semester) or December 15th (for the spring semester). Students who fail to do so by the deadline may be liable for a \$250 late penalty charge.

For reasons other than those stated above, students may petition in writing to be released from their Housing Agreement prior to the end of the Add/Drop period. Consideration will be given to students who can document a change in their physical, financial or personal situations that is beyond their control. **Students who walk-away from their Housing Agreement are liable for a penalty charge of 25% of the total room and board cost for which they are responsible.** Any student who changes their status from resident to commuter after the Add/Drop period will be responsible for 100% of the room and board charges for the semester.

Students who officially withdraw from the University must vacate housing and relinquish their board plan within 48 hours after their withdrawal is finalized. Students who remain in housing and continue to use the dining services after an official withdrawal from the University, will be held liable for room and board charges.

HOUSING INFORMATION FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023

Opening and Closing Dates:

Fall opening date for new students:	Saturday, September 3, 2022 at 9am
Fall opening date for returning students:	Monday, September 5, 2022 at 9am
Fall closing date for all students:	Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at 9am
Spring opening date for new students:	Monday, January 16, 2023 at Noon
Spring opening date for returning students:	Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 9am
Spring break closing date for all students:	Saturday, March 11, 2023 at noon
Spring break re-opening date for all students:	Sunday, March 19, 2023 at noon
Year-end closing date for most students:	Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at noon
Year-end closing date for graduates*:	Saturday, May 13, 2023 at 5pm

*FOR THOSE WHO HAVE PAID TO PARTICIPATE IN SENIOR WEEK ACTIVITIES

During Winter vacation period (December 20th – January 17th), students must vacate their assigned rooms. Only students who have applied for, and been given special permission to stay in residence, may remain in housing.

Food Service Availability:

Food service begins for new students:	Dinner – Saturday, September 3, 2022
Food service begins for returning students:	Brunch – Monday, September 5, 2022
Last meal before Thanksgiving break:	Continental breakfast - Wednesday, November 23, 2022
First meal after Thanksgiving break:	Dinner – Sunday, November 27, 2022
Last meal of the fall semester:	Dinner – Monday, December 19, 2022
First meal of the spring semester:	Brunch – Tuesday, January 17, 2023
Last meal before spring break:	Dinner – Friday, March 10, 2023
First meal after spring break:	Brunch – Sunday, March 19, 2023
Food service ends:	Breakfast – Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Pets and Animals:

Only animals authorized by Disability Services are permitted in the Residence Halls for any period of time. Please refer to the Service and Support Animal Policy contained in the Lasell University Handbook for approved animal policies.

General Information:

Students must abide by the policies and practices detailed in the Lasell University Student Handbook. Certain behaviors may result in parental notification, temporary or permanent loss of housing, suspension or dismissal from the University.

The Office of Residential Life reserves the right to make changes in room assignments as deemed necessary, and to consolidate vacancies to best utilize facilities. Students are financially responsible for any damage beyond the normal wear and tear on their rooms. Lasell University carries no insurance covering personal property, and assumes no responsibility for items lost, damaged or stolen from student rooms or storage at any time. Residents are encouraged to review their family personal property insurance coverage and obtain appropriate coverage. The University shall not be liable for any loss, damage or destruction of personal property kept in the Residence Halls unless such is due to the University's negligent or intentional acts or omissions. The University reserves the right of members of the Student Affairs/Residential Life staff, the Campus Police staff, and the Facilities staff to enter rooms at any time deemed necessary for reasons of health, safety, maintenance and/or if there is reason to believe that a violation of University policy or local, state or federal law is being committed.

Please note, that safety conditions or governmental regulations related to Coronavirus (COVID-19) may require alterations in parts of this agreement.

TERMINATION OF CONTRACT DURING EMERGENCIES:

If the University premises and/or all or part of a Residence Hall is closed due to an emergency or natural disaster, the University may terminate this contract without prior notice. In no event shall the University be obliged to provide housing or food services to the student.

I have read the information contained in this agreement and agree to pay the noted charges and abide by the rules and stipulations.