



Panther Housing Selection FAQs

What options do students have after their first year in Chapman housing?

- Students select their roommates and building after their first year at Chapman.
- Most housing after the first year is suite or apartment-style housing with no more than two people per bedroom unless students opt for higher room occupancy.
- Available buildings are as follows:

Building	Room types	Room capacities
Chapman Grand	Apartments	1-4 per apartment
Davis Apartments	Apartments	2-4 per apartment
Glass Hall Apartments	Apartments	2 or 4 per apartment
Harris Apartments	Apartments	2-3 per apartment
Panther Village	Apartments	2-3 per apartment
Sandhu Residence Center	Suites, doubles, and singles	1, 2, or 4 per unit
The K Apartments	Apartments	2 or 4 per unit

When does the housing selection process happen for the 2020-2021 academic year?

Application Phase	
PHS Housing Applications Available Online	Wednesday, February 19
PHS Information Session – 4pm in the Henley Conference Room	Wednesday, February 26th
PHS Application Priority Filing Date (12-Month Renewals Only)	Friday, February 28
PHS Application Priority Filing Date	Monday, March 9
Selection Phase	
12-Month Renewals	March 5 th & 6 th
12-Month Apartment Selection	March 18 th & 19 th
9-Month Selection (all building areas)	March 31 st – April 3

How does this process work?

- Housing selection priority will no longer be made by credits but by a designation known as Entry Term (ET). Entry Term refers to the session that you started taking classes at Chapman. Here is how Entry Term will be used in the housing selection process:

Entry Term (ET)	Housing Selection Priority
Fall 2018, Interterm 2019, and Spring 2019	1 st
Fall 2019, Interterm 2020, and Spring 2020	2 nd
Anyone entering Spring 2018 or earlier	3 rd

Timeslots to select housing will be randomized in each ET group to create fairness in the process.

- If necessary, students with approved medical accommodations are given separate consideration for selection. However, most approved accommodations can be met through the standard selection processes.



- 12-month license agreements
 - Only apartments in Davis, Harris, Chapman Grand, and The K are available for 12-month agreements.
 - Apartment renewals are given first priority – these are units in which at least one current occupant chooses to sign up again to live in the exact same unit for a 12-month agreement and every other spot in the apartment is filled. No partial renewals are allowed.
 - New 12-month license agreements are given next priority. Only a limited number of new 12-month agreements are available each year depending on occupancy and renewal demand.
- 9-month license agreements
 - New 9-month license agreements constitute the majority of the selection process.
 - All remaining housing is made available for continuing student housing in the areas listed above.
- All selection processes will take place in person

Two-Year Housing Requirement

Who is required to live in Chapman housing and for how long?

- All students who enter Chapman within one year of their high school graduation date are required to live in Chapman housing through the end of their second year.
- This applies to all students classified first-time, first-year students when they are admitted, either in the fall or spring semester.
- Class standing (i.e. the number of credits earned both at Chapman and transferred in through programs like AP or dual enrollment) does not impact the live-in requirement.

Why does Chapman require students to live in housing for two years?

- Extensive research in higher education from the last three decades shows that living in campus housing is a significant factor in student retention from the first to second year as well as in persistence to graduation. Our commitment to student success and graduation is the driving force behind this requirement.

How can I request an exception to the live-in requirement?

- All requests for an exception are done through the [Housing Requirement Petition Form](#).
- Students living within a 30-mile drive of the Orange campus with a close adult family member (parent, guardian, or grandparent), students with dependents, and married students will all be approved for an exception once the necessary documentation is submitted and approved.
- Requests which do not meet the standard exception criteria require a detailed explanation and supporting documentation.
- In most cases, financial concerns will not be grounds for an exception. Instead, students are encouraged to work closely with Financial Aid to meet their cost of attendance needs.
- For petitions to be reviewed prior to Panther Housing Selection, the deadline to submit a petition form is February, 26, 2020. All petitions submitted after this deadline will not be reviewed until after the selection process concludes in early April.