Welcome Home!

Moving to Residence: Everything you need to know before you arrive at St. Jerome's. Please read this email fully. There is a lot of important information that will assist you in the next coming weeks in preparing to move to Residence!

Move-In Days
This year’s move-in will take place on Sunday, September 5th, 2021. You will be assigned a morning (9:00AM – 12:00PM) or afternoon timeslot (1:00PM – 4:00PM) based on your last name. This applies to incoming first year students and upper year students in SJU Residence!

Move-In Day Schedule
9:00AM-12:00PM ---- First Move-In Period (Last name A – M)
12:00PM-1:00PM ---- Cleaning Period
1:00 PM- 4:00PM ---- Second Move-In Period (Last name N – Z)

International Students
All students who are travelling to Canada from another country must follow all travel requirements as laid out by the Government of Canada. You can read all necessary requirements here: https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/entering-canada-checklist

For students that are required to quarantine, available options can be found here: https://uwaterloo.ca/campus-housing/node/201/ousing/node/201

Students will not be permitted to quarantine in residence at St. Jerome’s University, however, students should communicate with our Residence Office if they will need to move into residence at SJU after their quarantine period and the new move-in date does not align with the scheduled move-in time on September 5th.

Early Move In
Additional early move in requests for special, extenuating circumstances (ie. Out of Province students, or specific on-campus commitments) can apply to move in early, by completing the Early Move-In Request form through eRezLife by August 13th. Approval of these requests will be communicated throughout the summer. Early move-in requires these requests to be approved – you will not be granted early-move in unless this approval has been communicated.

Additional Information

- Residents can bring two (2) guests with them to support their move in to residence at SJU
- Masks must be worn throughout move-in day in all public spaces (including halls, stairwells, elevators, and other public spaces) Our residence is a home for many
students coming to campus for the first time and it is our priority to keep these communal spaces clean and safe for students who are moving into residence at SJU.

- Should you be arriving with a trailer, please make advanced arrangements with the Residence Office as our laneway and turnaround areas are very limited.
- Accessible parking requirements should be made in advance with the Residence Office.
- If you, your move-in guests or any members of your household are experiencing symptoms at the time of move-in, you SHOULD NOT come to residence. Please contact our Residence Office to let us know, and we will arrange an alternative move in time with you.

Mandatory Vaccines for Students Living in Residence

Every student moving into residence this fall will need to provide proof that they have received, at minimum, the first dose of an approved vaccine before the move-in period. To ensure a smooth move-in process directly into your assigned room, please provide proof of your vaccination or an approved exemption by August 11, 2021.

You must also get a second dose of an approved vaccine as soon as possible and provide proof that you have done so by November 1, 2021.

**How to submit vaccine verification**

Please submit your vaccination record using the following steps:

1. Log into eRezLife: [https://sju.erezlife.com/](https://sju.erezlife.com/)
2. Click on the “Proof of Vaccination” form on the left-side of your home page
3. Complete the form
4. Upload your vaccination record or receipt for your first dose. This process will be repeated for your second dose. Please ensure your proof of vaccination document includes:
   - The details of your first dose including:
     - Date received
     - Country/location of vaccination
     - Name of vaccine that you received
   - Files must be in English, French, or a certified translation into English or French
   - File formats accepted: PDF, PNG, JPEG or JPG of up to 32MB
   - If you received two doses and they are both recorded on a single document, upload that same image or file for dose 1 and again for dose 2

2. Be sure to closely follow the submission instructions at the end of the Proof of Vaccination form

Meal Plan & Move In
Our resident meal-plan begins on the evening of Sunday, September 5th. Our Servery will NOT have food available for purchase on Move-In Day. Food can be purchased at the Waterloo Plaza restaurants, or other surrounding restaurants in the area.

Orientation Week
University of Waterloo Orientation week programming will be held virtually this year, to connect with students living on and off-campus. Check out https://uwaterloo.ca/welcome-warriors/orientation for more information.

We are pleased to offer some safe, in-person Orientation Week opportunities for first year and upper year students living in residence at St. Jerome’s, beginning on the evening of Sunday, September 5th. SJU Orientation programming will run from September 5th to September 7th and all classes begin on Wednesday, September 8th.

Residence Fees
Residence fees for the Fall term are $7,874.29 and for the Winter or Spring term are $5,424.52, for all room placements. This includes your room equipped with a refrigerator, sink and furniture, a full meal plan, laundry and Wi-Fi. More information about SJU Residence fees can be found here https://www.sju.ca/fees-payments.

Your residence fees will be posted on your Quest account on September 1. Please monitor your account and arrange payment of the additional balance owing once the charges appear on your account. The due date is August 24 for any charges on your account prior to August 24. If you have any questions about your fees or how to pay them, you can contact the Student Accounts Office at 519-888-4567 x38466 or by e-mail.

Important dates is an excellent resource outlining important enrollment and tuition deadlines for University of Waterloo and St. Jerome's University students.

Roommate and Room Allocations All room assignments in Fall 2021 will be single occupancy. Specific room assignments will be made in late August by the Residence Office and you will learn your room allocation when you move into residence in September. Students will have the opportunity to opt-in to a double room in the Winter 2022 term, should public health protocols allow.

COVID-19 Measures in Residence
To read more about our COVID-19 response at SJU, check out our website. We’re committed to transparency and keeping students updated as things in residence are changing. Please visit the website throughout your time in residence if you are looking for additional information or clarification on any of the policies.

Keys & Access
You will be issued your room fob upon arrival. These will grant you 24-hour access to our residence buildings.
**WatCard**
Your UWaterloo ID card (also called your WatCard) is like your phone - it's with you every day. Incoming students are required to apply for their WatCard online and submit a photo for their card. [Apply online](#) starting July 26, 2021.

Easy 3 step process:
- Update preferred/chosen name on [WatIAM](#)
- Complete the [WatCard application](#)
- Upload your photo, before August 27th, then pick up your card and your keys when you move in

**Internet**
St. Jerome’s residence wireless internet is provided through the University of Waterloo’s Eduroam network. For more information about the network, suggestions regarding computer hardware, virus and spyware protection, use and misuse and download limits, please continue to check the UW Housing Technology [website](#).

**Laundry**
Laundry is included in your residence fee! There is no need to use coins in these machines. You will still need to bring your own laundry detergent and supplies.

**What to Bring to Residence?**
Check out our [residence page](#) and click the “What To Bring To Residence” drop-down menu for a full list of things that we recommend to bring to residence.

More information about in-room amenities can be found [here](#).

**Food Services**
In conjunction with Dana Hospitality Ltd., St. Jerome’s offers an all-you-can-eat meal plan for our residence students. Any special dietary information and accommodation requests noted in your Lifestyle and Preference form has been shared with the Chef before your arrival to campus. We encourage you to connect directly with the Chef or Food Service Director on Monday, September 6th after the Welcome Breakfast to discuss your particular requests.

**Classes and Textbooks**
Classes begin on Wednesday, September 8th, 2021. Check your class schedule on [Quest](#) for your specific class times.

Textbooks can be purchased from the [UW Book Store](#) and/or [Feds Used Books](#).

**We’re looking forward to seeing you!**
As always, if you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to reach out!
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