

FRESHMEN STUDENTS & LIVING ON-CAMPUS RESIDENTIAL LIFE/LEARNING COMMUNITIES

WHY BE A RESIDENT STUDENT AT BROCKPORT?

Residence halls at Brockport are more than places where students sleep. They are vibrant, active communities where significant learning takes place. They are dedicated to student success through a commitment to collaboration, community, civility, diversity and responsible citizenship. They are comfortable and affordable, promote the safety of their residents, and emphasize academics. They value meaningful involvement and encourage pride and respect. Our community-building program focuses on the total development of a student within the residential setting. We consider students to be adults and, therefore, we expect them to obey all laws and take personal responsibility for their conduct.

Brockport's residence halls offer many options. McLean, McFarlane, Morgan and MacVicar Halls have corridor-style rooms opening directly onto the hallway, with a large bathroom shared with other corridor residents. Dobson/Benedict, Harmon/Gordon Halls are composed of four-person (two bedroom) suites, each with

a study room and private bath. Briggs, Bramley, Perry and Mortimer Halls are composed of six-person (three bedroom) upperclass suites, also with a study room and private bath. The Student Townhomes complex is a living option only available to students attending Brockport who have achieved junior or senior status. Selected halls offer an **Extended Housing Option** (open from Welcome Weekend through Commencement, without closing during Thanksgiving, winter, and spring breaks).

Each residence hall community is led by a Resident Director (RD) and a staff of upper class Resident Assistants (RAs). RAs and RDs are excellent sources of information – they know the campus, its resources, and how to help you resolve problems. The residential staff will help you make choices, support you in developing responsibility and concern for others, and assist you in developing a plan for your academic success.

We require all freshmen to live on campus unless commuting from a parent's or legal



guardian's home. The Office of Residential Life/Learning Communities believes that enhancing self-esteem and developing effective social and interpersonal skills are critical to student success, and that grouping students with their peers to develop a "common learning community experience" is very important.

The First-Year Experience

All first-year students live in designated halls to offer a unique experience. This experience is designed to enhance student academic success.

Among its features are:

- a substance-free environment
- special workshops to build academic skills
- regular events to build community
- student recognition program
- opportunities for leadership skills development
- faculty-in-residence in McLean, MacVicar and McFarlane Halls
- **Academic Excellence Floors** – an environment conducive to studying. Ideal for scholarship recipients, Honors Program and Delta College students.
- **Living Learning Communities** - an environment for those with a common interest to live together and become actively involved with other residents/faculty/staff who share a similar passion. Additional application process.



Online Housing Sign-Up Process

- Please pay your housing (\$100.00) and tuition (\$150.00) deposits first.
- One business day after deposits are processed, you will be able to access our online housing application. You will need your Student ID (800xxxxx) number, found on your Admissions Acceptance materials.
- We will ask you numerous questions to help us find the ideal roommate and building situation for you, based on availability.
- You can apply for any of the four Living Learning Communities (deadline May 8).
- You may request a specific roommate, as space permits, by mutually entering each other's Student ID number within the application.
- Please complete your application within 14 days.
- Please note: Triple room set-ups will be necessary to accommodate our incoming class (see additional information located on our website).
- Assignments will be sent to your Brockport email address in late July.

Living Learning Communities Offered for 2009-2010

- Math and Science Learning Community
- Brockport Global Village
- Health and Fitness Learning Community
- Civic Engagement and Service Learning Community

General Housing Information

- Wired / wireless Internet , Cable TV, and Phone access is provided.
- All residence hall front doors are **locked** 24-hours a day. Evening guest sign-in process is posted.
- **Alcohol** is prohibited by persons less than 21 years of age. **All first-year halls are alcohol-free.** Please read the Alcohol Policy on our website.
- The unlawful possession, use, or distribution of any **controlled substance** is prohibited in all residence halls.
- **Smoking** is prohibited within 25 feet of any residence hall on campus. All residence halls are smoke-free.
- Parents will be notified if their student is found responsible for violating the **Codes of Student Social Conduct.**
- Our **Housing License** is available online. All residents will sign that they have read and agree to the policies upon check-in.
- All residential students are required to purchase a **meal plan** through BASC. (www.basc1.com)
- Students are under a continuous obligation to be considerate of each other at all times. The highest priority is given to the right of students to study in their rooms or suites. The right to study is maintained over the right to entertain. All residence halls observe **study/quiet hours:**

Sunday – Thursday	7 pm – 7 am
Friday – Saturday	12am – 7 am
- The **Housing agreement** is binding for the entire academic year (August until May). Payment of your advance housing deposit does not guarantee you housing. Housing assignments are made on a space-available basis.
- We reserve the right to increase or decrease the designed **occupancy** of a room/suite at any time to ensure the maximum utilization of residence rooms.
- We work with the Office of Students with Disabilities to help **accommodate** any individual student needs.
- **Exactly what do we provide?** Each student will have a desk, desk chair and floor lamp, bed frame, mattress (twin extra-long, 80" x 33 1/2" x 6 1/2"), dresser, closet (52" x 88"), telephone, wastebasket, and recycle bin. Check our website for a list of suggested and prohibited items.
- Personal **refrigerators** of five cubic feet or smaller (one per bedroom) are permitted in the residence halls. One **microwave** (700 watts or less) is permitted in each bedroom. Check with your roommates before bringing too many items. **Trunks and baggage** may be shipped to our Receiving Department (include your name and room assignment).
- Just like home, our concern about the **environment** is reflected in our recycling and energy conservation programs. We depend upon your active participation.
- We urge you to check into **personal property insurance** for any valuables you bring. The College at Brockport assumes no responsibility for items lost, stolen, or damaged by fire, water, and/or any other foreign material.

Approximate room and window sizes (length x width) are as follows:

Residence Hall	Room Size	Window Size
MacVicar, McFarlane, McLean, Morgan	13' x 12'	4'5" x 6'7"
Harmon, Gordon, Benedict, Dobson	12' 9" x 10'10"	5'2" x 4'6"
Briggs, Bramley, Perry	11' 2" x 11' 4"	5'10" x 3'10"
Mortimer	10' 8" x 12' 8"	4'8" x 3'9"

Check Your Brockport Email Address!!

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