Policy
1. It is the goal of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls to provide a residence hall experience that will complement the academic and social growth of our students.
2. The University strives to operate the residence halls in an efficient and solvent manner that will ensure financial resources to provide for debt service payments and maintenance to the buildings and equipment.
3. It is the goal of the University to provide a stable occupancy rate in the residence halls to maintain a competitive room rate and ensuring the upkeep of the buildings and living environment for the residents.

Authority
The UW-River Falls Chancellor issues this policy in accordance with the Administrative Policy process. The Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance is responsible for the administration of this policy. To request an exception to this policy, mailto: administrative-policy@uwrf.edu.

Sanctions and Appeals Process
Failure to adhere to the provisions of this policy may result in appropriate disciplinary action as provided under existing procedures applicable to students, faculty, and staff, and/or civil or criminal prosecution.

Enrolled students who do not comply with this policy or who have not received exemption status will be charged the cost of a traditional double room. The student will receive an email from Residence Life indicating that the residence hall charges will be added to their student account.

Appeals may be submitted in writing to the Director of Residence Life and will reviewed accordingly.

University Responsibilities
The Department of Residence Life at UWRF enforces the UW System Board of Regents Policy 24-2 which states: “Those freshman and sophomore students who are not veterans, married or living with parents or guardian, shall be required to live in a University operated residence hall when such accommodations are available.”

This requirement does not apply to:

a. Students who are 21 years of age or older as of the first day of classes for the semester enrolled.

b. Students who have graduated from high school two years prior to the start of the residence hall contract.
The following exceptions exist:

a. Those who are granted commuter status by living with parent(s) or guardian(s) within 40 miles from the UWRF campus.
b. Those who are veterans.
c. Those who are married.
d. Those who are parents.
   Those who are granted an appeal based on extreme financial or personal hardship.

Department/Unit Responsibilities
Residence Life

Background/Related Documents
The Board of Regents’ Resolution dated May 5, 1972, states that for all students under the age of twenty-one, “Those freshman and sophomore students who are not veterans, married, or living with parents or guardians, shall be required to live in a university-operated residence hall when such accommodations are available.”

Contact
To direct questions about this policy, mailto: administrative-policy@uwrf.edu.