Upperclass students have many options available to them that were not available to them as first year students such as more single rooms and suite style living, university apartment living, and options to live in Wendell Hill Hall, our newest upperclass-living environment.

University Housing provides the opportunity for students currently living in our residence halls to select their on-campus residence for the 2015-2016 academic year. The process to reapply for on-campus housing takes place during the month of February. We are providing you with the following information so that you can be an active participant in your student’s future at CWU. Each year, more than 1000 upperclass students choose to live on campus.

University Housing continually reviews our housing options and student preferences. We have determined some of the benefits of living on campus which include:

- Students develop lifelong friendships
- Students living on campus have greater academic success than those living off campus
- Students living in the residence halls have more student-leadership opportunities
- University Housing provides several living options, including a contemporary residence halls, to meet student preferences
- Dining Services provides dining-plan options to meet student preferences
- Residence hall and dining plans are competitively priced with off-campus housing
- Students can save money, with an academic year contract (financial aid direct pay)
- All residence halls have building-wide WiFi and cable
- Upperclass students also have the ability to get on a list for university apartments. Apartments have utilities combined and do not require a meal plan.

Your student will soon receive information regarding the reapplication procedure and the specific dates in February to complete the selection process.

We begin the process with the option for students to be involved in one of our living and learning (LLC) or theme communities. The process continues with selection opportunities throughout the residence halls.

The returning student housing selection dates are as follows:

- Return your paper LLC/Theme Community application to Housing or Residence Life by: **Friday, February 6, 2015 at Noon**
- Same hall/same room online: [www.cwu.edu/housing](http://www.cwu.edu/housing) **Tuesday, February 10th - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.**
- Same hall/different room online: [www.cwu.edu/housing](http://www.cwu.edu/housing) **Thursday, February 11th - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.**
- Different hall & room online: [www.cwu.edu/housing](http://www.cwu.edu/housing) **Tues, Feb. 17th - Thurs, 19th see lottery schedule**

More details and specific instructions are available our web site at [www.cwu.edu/housing](http://www.cwu.edu/housing)
STUDENTS RETURNING as sophomores for the 2015-2016 academic year are eligible for a $1,000 HOUSING WAIVER when reapplying into the residence halls.

Sophomore Student $1,000 Housing Waiver
University Housing is excited to announce a $1,000 housing waiver for sophomore students for the 2015-2016 academic year. Here are the requirements:

1. Students have 45 - 90 credits at the beginning of the 2015-2016 academic year.
2. Students are required to live in the residence halls for the full 2015-2016 academic year.
3. Current first year students returning for the 4th consecutive quarter are eligible with CWU academic credits between 36 – 90.
4. Students are required to re-apply for the full 2015-2106 academic year by the end of spring quarter 2015 to be eligible for fall 2015.
5. Students that withdraw prior to the deadline for 50% refund with complete withdrawal are required to return the waiver money for the quarter.
6. The waiver is for residence halls only.

This waiver will be disbursed equally between fall, winter and spring quarters.
Is your student a leader? We are now taking applications for 18 openings as Discover Orientation Leaders.

[Employment dates June 22nd—August 2nd]

Apply online at [https://jobs.cwu.edu](https://jobs.cwu.edu). The position closes **February 14, 2015**. These positions are a great way for students to take on leadership roles on campus, as well as become involved with incoming students.

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Discover the CWU Official Class Ring

Here are the images of the official CWU class ring, both large and small-size versions. The Wildcat Shop will be hosting an in store promotion February 25 & 26, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

The ring design is the result of two surveys of CWU students last fall, lead by the ASCWU Student Government, in which elements and preferences were identified. These images show the new exclusive to CWU ring available through Josten's. The on-campus promotion offers significant savings for students ordering rings during that time. For more information, visit jostens.com or contact the Wildcat Shop.

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College can be expensive! We want your student to make the most of their time and get on the right path to earning their degree. Please encourage your student to attend the Majors Fair on Thursday, January 29, 2015 from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm in the SURC Ballroom. This unique event will give them the chance to meet faculty and advisors from every department where they can learn more about majors, minors and career pursuits. Students will not want to miss their chance to get their questions answered! Sponsored by Career Services, Academic Advising and the Wildcat Shop.

http://www.cwu.edu/career/
Winter Recreation

Outdoor Pursuits and Rentals has a variety of winter events and trips scheduled throughout winter quarter, as well as a series of outdoor speakers who will be on campus during the winter months. Please encourage your students to check OPR’s website for a listing of upcoming events.

cwu.edu/opr
Or for trips: OPR Trips

WINTER WEATHER TIPS

Winter weather is on its way, which means road conditions are going to become increasingly more treacherous over the next few months. The majority of CWU students will have to cross mountain passes in order to get home. Please refer to our December Newsletter for additional information.

Mail and Packages

Letters and packages sent from a US Post Office are delivered to the CWU Mail Services Department. Their staff delivers the mail to each residence hall in the afternoon. Housing staff place the mail in the student’s mailbox. Items which are too large to fit in the residence hall mailbox will be sent to the Residence Life [ResLife] office located south of Barto Hall.

Letters and packages sent by Express Mail, UPS, or Federal Express are delivered to the ResLife Office. The delivery services arrive on campus any time between 11:00 & 3:00, Monday-Friday. The ResLife Office staff logs the packages into our mail delivery system. A delivery notice is sent to the student’s CWU email account asking them to pick up the package.

Students may pick up their packages at the ResLife Office, Monday-Friday, 2 - 7 pm. They need to show their CWU Connection Card for identification. Please note: There is no mail delivery service on Saturday, Sunday, or academic/federal holidays. Packages will be returned to the sender after ten business days. Questions, e-mail reslife@cwu.edu or call (509) 963-1324.

All mail to students regardless of how it is mailed should be addressed as follows:

Student’s Name
Residence Hall Street Address
Room Number
Ellensburg, WA 98926

(Please use the student’s legal name. Avoid addressing the package with the student’s nickname, middle name, or the name of the person who ordered the item.)
Family Weekend is scheduled for the weekend of May 8, 2015 (Mother’s Day Weekend). More details about the schedule of events for the weekend will become available at a later date. Watch upcoming newsletters for full details.

Student Health 101 is a monthly health and wellness magazine for CWU students and their families. Each issue contains valuable information that will help your student make better decisions and can help you gain a better understanding of the health and wellness challenges that face today’s students. If you subscribe, you’ll receive a monthly e-mail with the latest issue of the family-only Parent Perspective, along with the Student Health 101 issue that your student will receive. Go to http://readsh101.com/cwu-pp.html to read the January issue and to subscribe.

The January issue has some great articles including:

- 6 Steps to smart spending
- Science of happy
- Small steps to big fitness
- Cease the grease
- How to stand out in the digital classroom
- The Job Prob: An expert reviews your resume
The CWU Alert Update System is intended as a "post incident" notification system. Subscribers to this Listserv will be updated following a safety related emergency at Central Washington University. This subscription system is open to anyone (parents, members of the community, students, faculty, staff, media, etc.). This is NOT considered a first response system, and no messages will be sent to this system while a safety related emergency is occurring.

By opting in, you are providing us with your permission to send information, which may include information protected under confidentiality rules, to e-mail addresses you provide. You may opt out of the system at any time.

Sign up to receive the alert updates at:
www.cwu.edu/alert/alertupdatesystem.html

Please note: If you choose not to subscribe to the CWU Alert Update System, you will not receive safety-related emergency e-mails directly from CWU. As an alternative, interested parties may monitor the CWU Emergency Closures page at: www.cwu.edu/~web/closures.php

Students are automatically opted into the emergency alert system. The alerts will be sent to their information as listed within SAFARI on their student account.

Dates to Remember
January-
- 19 MLK Day No Classes
- 22 Housing Transfer Day
- 28 Study Day (No class)
- 29 Majors Fair

February-
- Housing Re-Application Process Begins
- 9 Spring Quarter Registration Starts
- 14 Orientation Leader Apps Due
- 16 President’s Day Holiday, no class
- 20 Uncontested Withdrawal Deadline

March-
- 16-19 Winter Quarter Finals
- 23-27 Spring Break (halls remain open)