



University of Idaho

Housing and Residence Life

**ON-CAMPUS HOUSING
APPLICATION PROCESS
2026-2027**



FRESHMAN APPLICATION PROCESS

Traditional Residence Hall Spaces

Specialized Communities

1 Nov 18, 2025 - Application Opens

- ☐ Update contact information
- ☐ Pay \$100 non-refundable application fee
- ☐ Look for a roommate
- ☐ Complete your student profile

2 Priority Room Selection Deadlines

Applicants who completed phase one on:

- ☐ Nov. 18 - Dec 18 will select rooms on Mar 17.
- ☐ Dec. 19 - Jan 18 will select rooms on Mar 18.
- ☐ Jan. 19 - Feb 18 will select rooms on Mar 19.

Phase one completed AFTER Feb 18:

Students can select their room anytime after 9 a.m. on Mar 20. Timeslots will not be assigned to anyone who completes their application **after** Feb 18.

3 Mar 10 - Check Your Email

Room selection timeslots will be emailed on March 10 to students who applied on or before the February 18 priority deadline. Students are **ONLY** able to access room selection after their assigned room selection timeslot begins.

4 Room Selection

Priority Room Selection Mar 17-19:

Review your student email for your specific timeslot assignment. Students are **ONLY** able to access room selection during or after the start of their assigned room selection timeslot.

Please do not log into the housing application before your assigned timeslot.

General Room Selection:

If you applied **after** Feb 18 you can select your room anytime on or after March 20.

5 Complete Your Application

Remember to log back into the housing portal to review and sign the housing agreement, select your meal plan, pick your check-in timeslot and review your housing assignment information. Be sure to click the complete button at the end of the application.

1 Nov 18, 2025 - Application Opens

- ☐ Update contact information
- ☐ Pay \$100 non-refundable application fee
- ☐ Look for a roommate
- ☐ Complete your student profile

2 Choose Your Specialized Community

Pick your desired community based on your major or intended program of study. Students who do not qualify for the community will be prompted to choose another option.

3 Feb 19 - Check Your Email

Specialized community room selection timeslots will be emailed on February 19 to students who applied on or before the February 18 priority deadline. Students are **ONLY** able to access room selection after their assigned room selection timeslot begins.

4 Room Selection

Specialized Community Room Selection Feb 25:

Review your student email for your specific timeslot assignment. Students are **ONLY** able to access room selection during or after the start of their assigned room selection timeslot. **Please do not log into the housing application before your assigned timeslot.**

General Room Selection:

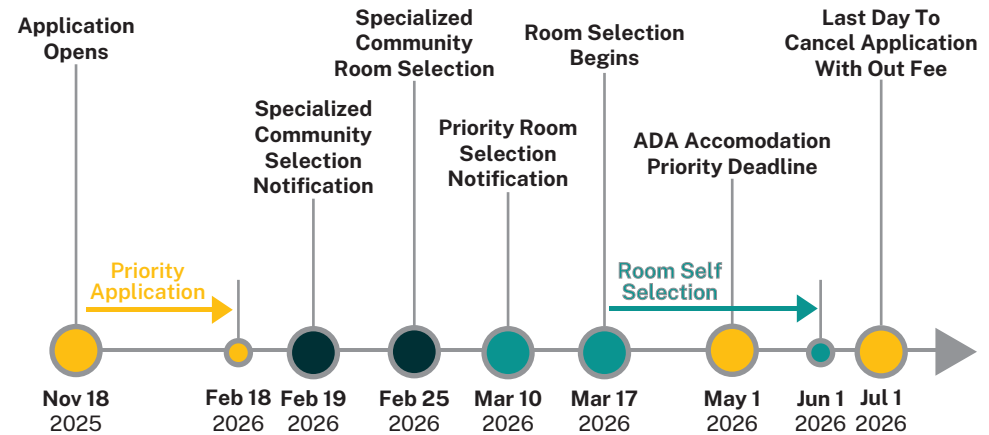
If you applied **after** Feb 18 you can select your room anytime on or after March 20.

5 Complete Your Application

Remember to log back into the housing portal to review and sign the housing agreement, select your meal plan, pick your check-in timeslot and review your housing assignment information. Be sure to click the complete button at the end of the application.

FRESHMAN APPLICATION TIMELINE

For the 2026-2027 Academic Year



Future Application Open Dates

- Spring Semester 2027 - Early Nov 2026
- 2027-2028 Academic Year - Late November 2026

SELECTING YOUR RESIDENCE HALL ROOMMATE

Finding a roommate

When filling out the housing application, you'll be able to complete a personal profile. You'll answer questions about study habits, social preferences and sleep patterns. During room selection, you can view other applicants profiles and compare answers to help find a compatible roommate.

Creating a roommate group

During the first phase of the housing application, you can browse profiles of other applicants and connect with potential roommates. Depending on the residence hall, you can form roommate groups of 2-5 people, making the room selection process smoother.

Choosing the same room

If you have not created a roommate group during phase one, you can still choose to live with another student by selecting the same available space when room selection opens. There is no requirement to form a roommate group beforehand—you simply need to coordinate and select the same room or suite as your friend.

Specialized communities

If you opted into and were approved to live in a specialized community, you will only be able to see potential roommates who have also been approved for the same specialized community. These interest-based housing options place you with others who share similar academic goals, interests or lifestyles, fostering a supporting living environment.

RETURNING/TRANSFER APPLICATION PROCESS

Traditional and Specialized Communities

1 Jan 20, 2026 - Application Opens

- ☐ Update contact information
- ☐ Pay \$100 non-refundable application fee, if applicable
- ☐ Look for a roommate
- ☐ Complete or update your student profile

2 Feb 20, 2026 - Application Deadline

Complete phase one of the application by 11:59 p.m. (Pacific Time) on Friday, Feb 20 to be eligible for General Room Selection.

3 Feb 24, 2026 - Check Your Email

Room selection timeslots will be emailed on February 24 to students who completed phase one of their application by the Feb 20 deadline. Students are ONLY able to access room selection during or after the start of their assigned room selection timeslot. **Important Note:** Timeslots will be assigned randomly, without consideration of the date of completion of the housing application.

4 Room Selection

Room Selection Mar 3 - 5

Review your email for specific timeslot assignments. Applicants can only log into the application during or after the start of their assigned room selection timeslot.

Please do not log into the Housing Application before your assigned timeslot.

Open Room Selection:

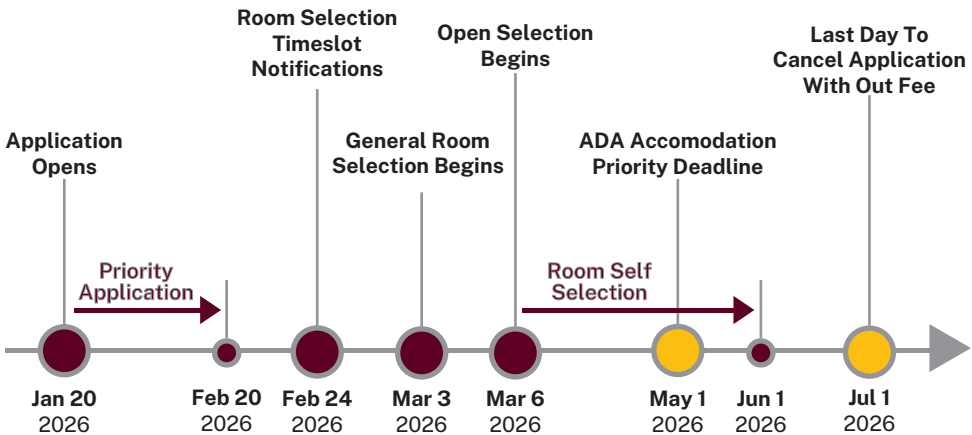
If you applied **after** Feb 20 you will have the option to select your room on or after Mar 6 once the first Room Selection period has ended.

5 Complete Your Application

Remember to log back into the housing portal to review and sign the housing agreement, select your meal plan, pick your check-in timeslot and review your housing assignment information. Be sure to push the complete button at the end of the application.

RETURNING/TRANSFER APPLICATION TIMELINE

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RESIDENCE HALL RATES

2026 - 2027 Academic Year

Room Type	Rates*
Willey (Fall) / Gooding (spring) Double (Willey residents will be moving to Gooding for spring semester)	\$2,870/semester
Ballard / Stevenson Double (Newly Renovated)	\$3,060/semester
Tower Double Floors 1 - 5	\$2,790/semester
Tower Double Floors 6 - 11 (Newly Renovated)	\$3,060/semester
McConnell Single	\$3,915/semester
North Campus Communities Double	\$2,575/semester
North Campus Communities Single	\$3,620/Semester
Living Learning Community Double	\$3,385/semester
Living Learning Community Single	\$4,435/semester

*All applications require a \$100 non-refundable fee at the time the application is completed.

IMPORTANT SAVE THE DATES

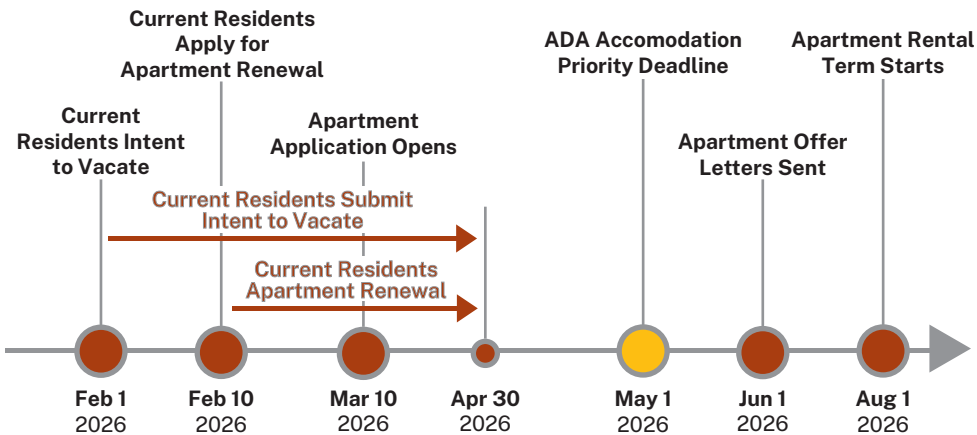
Aug 19	New Student Move-In Students can start moving into their room for the 2026-2027 academic year.	Dec 19	Winter Break (Dec 19 - Jan 10) All residence halls except the Living Learning Communities close at noon on Dec 19.
Aug 20	Returning Student Move-In Returning students can start moving into their room for the 2026-2027 academic year.	Jan 10	Residence Halls Open Residence Halls open for spring semester at noon on Jan 10.
Aug 24	First Day of Classes The first official day of classes for all students.	Mar 15	Spring Break (Mar 15-19) All Residence Halls remain open. All dining facilities except the Market are closed.
TBD	Fall Parent and Family Weekend Exciting events for students and their families featuring exciting events, traditions and long lasting memories.	Apr 9	Spring Parent and Family Weekend Exciting events for students and their families featuring exciting events, traditions and long lasting memories.
Nov 23	Fall Break (Nov 23 - 27) All Residence Halls remain open. All dining facilities except the Market are closed.	May 15	Residence Halls Close at Noon All residence halls close for summer. Building access turns off at noon.

ON-CAMPUS APARTMENT APPLICATION PROCESS

All On-Campus Apartments		Apartment Application Timeline	
1	Feb 1 - Apr 30 Intent to Vacate	4	May-Jun 2026: Offer Letters Sent
If you are not planning to live in your apartment after the end of your current agreement, please complete and return an Intent to Vacate form. As a reminder, an Intent to Vacate form must be submitted 60 days prior to your check out date to avoid a \$100 fee.		When you receive an apartment assignment, you will receive a letter sent to your Vandal email address. You will be required to sign the apartment agreement and submit a deposit of \$500 to reserve the apartment.	
2	Feb 10 - Apr 30: Apartment Renewal	5	Aug 1: Start Rental Term
If you are continuing as a registered full-time student/employee, you may request to renew your agreement to continue living in the on-campus apartments during this timeframe.		The apartment term will begin on Aug. 1 for new residents. Residents can begin moving in to their new apartment based on their scheduled check-in date.	
3	Mar 10: Apartment Application Opens		
The apartment application will be available to admitted students and full-time U of I employees. The opening of the application will be dependent upon apartment availability.			
Interested applicants should follow the steps outlined in the housing application during this time, which allows you to choose your preference for apartment type(s) and size.			

APARTMENT APPLICATION TIMELINE

For the 2026-2027 Academic Year



ON-CAMPUS APARTMENT RATES

2026 - 2027 Academic Year

Internet, water, sewer and garbage are included in the cost of rent. Residents are required to pay the cost of gas and electricity.

Apartment	# of Rooms	Estimated Cost*
Elmwood (Non-First Year Students)	Studio	\$766/unit/month
	One Bedroom	\$781/unit/month
	Loft	\$992/unit/month
South Hill (Non-First Year Students and Families)	Two Bedroom	\$752/unit/month
	Two Bedroom	\$814/unit/month
South Hill Vista (Families)	Three Bedroom	\$946/unit/month
	Studio	\$1,339/bed/month
New Graduate Apartments** (Graduate Students; Booked by the room)	One Bedroom	\$1,432/bed/month
	Two Bedroom	\$1,154/bed/month
	One Bedroom Flat	\$1,275/unit/month
New Married/ Parenting Housing** (Families and Parents)	Two Bedroom Flat	\$1,860/unit/month
	Two Bedroom Townhouse	\$1,940/unit/month
	Three Bedroom Townhouse	\$2,440/unit/month
	Four Bedroom Townhouse	\$2,920/unit/month

*All applications require a \$30 non-refundable fee at the time the application is completed and a \$500 deposit upon placement into an apartment. Rates are based on a 12 month agreement and billed by the semester. Payment plans can be arranged through student accounts.

**New units are fully furnished.

SELECTING YOUR APARTMENT ROOMMATE(S)

If you want to share an on-campus apartment with a roommate, you can request someone you know (or have them request you) when you apply. Each person named on the lease has their own license agreement, and everyone must meet eligibility requirements. You'll need to pay a \$500 deposit to secure your place.

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