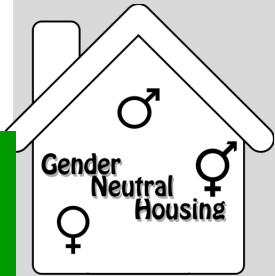


Gender Neutral Housing



Gender Neutral Housing refers to apartments where students of any gender identity may live together sharing common living space, including the living room, bathroom, and kitchen.

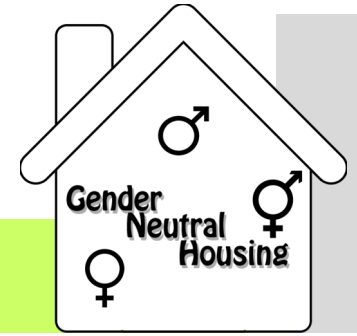
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Would you be interested
in living with friends with
different gender identities?

Initially suggested and coordinated by members of the Residence Hall Association, the Office of Residence Life launched a pilot program for Gender Neutral Housing for the 2009-2010 academic year. This pilot program included only students who were seniors for the 2009-2010 academic year. For the 2010-2011 academic year, the program was opened to juniors, and for the 2011-2012 academic year, we opened the program up to sophomores as well.

The gender neutral housing program allows students to reside in on-campus apartments, townhouses and suites with students of a different gender identity. Housing in each bedroom will be "same sex", however within an apartment, students of different gender identities may live together. This "same sex" bedroom structure is also flexible in the case of students who identify as non-binary or transgender.

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible for Gender Neutral Housing?

All students eligible for returning student room selection are also eligible to apply for Gender Neutral Housing.

How do I apply?

Applications will be available on the Residence Life website starting on February 14th.

<https://www1.wne.edu/residence-life/housing/housing-selection.cfm>

Applications are due on Friday, March 11th.

What is different about applying to Gender Neutral Housing as opposed to the returning student room selection process?

Since the online process through THD only accommodates single-gender groups, accepted Gender Neutral groups will make appointments to come to Residence Life and select housing in-person on their selection day (which will be the same as it would be if they were a single-gender group). Gender Neutral Housing groups must also complete the Gender Neutral Housing application (found on the Residence Life website starting February 14th) in addition to the Returning Student Housing Application in THD. Finally, participants in Gender Neutral Housing must be in good disciplinary standing with the University.

Where can I live if accepted to the program?

Gender Neutral Housing apartments, suites and townhouses will be available in Southwood Hall, Evergreen Village, Gateway Village and LaRiviere Center. Groups must completely fill to capacity the type of apartment/suite/townhouse requested.

Where can I get more information?

Groups who apply will be in contact with a representative from the Office of Residence Life and will have the opportunity to seek any further information they need. Students can also reach out to Residence Life at residencelife@wne.edu with any questions.

Gender Neutral Housing

Timeline:

Applications Available:

Monday, February 14th

Applications Due:

Friday, March 11th

Accepted Applications Contacted:

By Friday, March 25th

Housing Verification Payment Due:

Friday, March 11th

Gender Neutral Housing Room Selection:

During the room selection process

For More Information

Contact the

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