

I am a Commuter who wants to live on campus. How do I do this?

The current AU Commuter Student Housing Application opens on April 23.

Please read these instructions carefully before you proceed.

REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN HOUSING SELECTION

A CURRENT AU Commuter student is eligible to select housing if they meet all the following conditions:

- They are an undergraduate student registered for 12 or more credits for Fall 2025 and matriculated by June 1, 2025, or are full-time graduate students currently living on campus
 - *There may be some exceptions for specific undergraduate degree programs to allow on campus housing with under 12 credits. Please email ResLife@alvernia.edu for more information.*
- They have **completed** a housing application in ARC.
- They have paid a \$300 housing deposit.
- They have no outstanding obligations (documents and/or financial) from Penn Medicine and/or Student Financial Services.

Any student who does not meet **ALL** conditions above will not be assigned housing until after all conditions met. Students will be housed as space permits

HOUSING DEPOSIT

A housing deposit will be required of any non-residential students (commuter/off-campus) who wish to apply for housing at any point. Commuter/off-campus students who desire on-campus housing must first pay a \$300 housing deposit in the MyAlvernia portal in order to complete a housing application in the Alvernia Residential Communities Portal.

A commuter/off-campus student will be assigned housing only after room selection for current resident students is complete and pending space availability. In the event there is lack of room availability, housing deposits will be refunded. If a student requests placement on a housing waiting list, the deposit will not be refunded or applied to current debt until removal from the housing waiting list is requested. After a commuter/off campus student is assigned housing, if a student chooses to cancel their housing request prior to May 1, the housing deposit will be refunded to the student. If a student chooses to cancel their enrollment after May 1, the

housing deposit is forfeited. If the commuter/off-campus student is offered housing, the deposit will be applied to the students first semester charges.

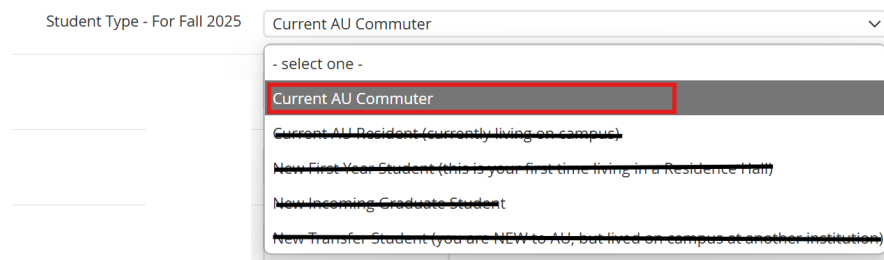
HOUSING APPLICATION

Complete the Housing Application in ARC.

Housing applications will be available for commuter students beginning on April 23.

Log in to [ARC](#) (which can be found on the login page of the Alvernia Website). To log in you will need to use the 4&6@alvernia.edu (last123456@alvernia.edu) and same password used for checking email. If you have issues logging in, please contact the Service Desk (ServiceDesk@alvernia.edu).

Choose Current AU Commuter, then proceed to complete the housing application:



The screenshot shows a web form with a dropdown menu labeled "Student Type - For Fall 2025". The dropdown is open, showing a list of options. The first option, "Current AU Commuter", is highlighted with a red rectangular box. Other options in the list include "Current AU Resident (currently living on campus)", "New First Year Student (this is your first time living in a Residence Hall)", "New Incoming Graduate Student", and "New Transfer Student (you are NEW to AU, but lived on campus at another institution)".

HOUSING CONTRACTS

A signed housing contract establishes your commitment to Alvernia University to live on campus and select a required meal plan option for the full academic year (Fall and Spring semesters). You are committed to this housing contract for the entire academic year and may not break the contract unless you meet the requirements as listed in the "Requests to be Released from Housing Contract" section of the [Housing Policies | Alvernia University](#) webpages.

Housing contracts are signed electronically during the housing application process in ARC. This will commit you to living on campus and receiving a meal plan for a minimum of one full academic year. You may preview the housing contract by clicking this link: [AU Housing Contract](#). Please note: current resident students do not need to pay a housing deposit.

I am a Commuter student who wants to live in a "roommate group" with current residents.

Commuter Students, and incoming First Year, Transfer or Graduate Students do not participate in housing selection until after our current resident student's process is complete.

Returning students can select a housing space that allows for someone to move into that space. The ORL will not "hold" a place however, and that space could potentially become occupied by an eligible current resident. Should that happen, your entire group will have the option of selecting another space through the lottery process that allows an opportunity for you to select with them once the returning resident process is done.

Returning students will have an option to indicate the name(s) of requested roommates that are not a part of the current resident student cohort. This question is for tracking purposes only and ***does not guarantee*** this roommate match will occur, because it is very difficult for our office to accommodate requests such as these.

Commuter students will have the option to indicate who they would like to live with in their housing application – please keep in mind this is a preference and is not guaranteed.

Commuter students will begin to be informed of their housing assignment around May 1.

Commuter students that have questions about this process, should contact ResLife@alvernia.edu.