# These are instructions for Incoming First-Year, Incoming Transfer, and Incoming Graduate Students who wish to apply for Housing

The New Student Housing Application will open on Monday, March 10, 2025.

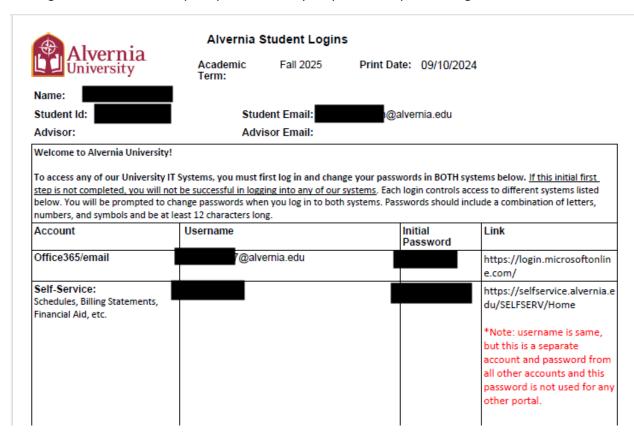
#### **NEXT STEPS:**

## I want to live on campus for the 2025-26 academic year!

If you haven't already done so, please follow these step-by-step instructions to begin the Housing Application process.

Before you continue, you must first ensure you have accessed your Alvernia email and reset your password. If you have not yet done that, go to the Login page for Office 365.

• Use the login information that you have been provided by Admissions on the Alvernia Student Logins Sheet. You will be prompted to re-set your password upon first login.



Once you have assured that your Alvernia email is ready, proceed as follows:

STEP ONE: Pay your \$300 Housing Deposit either online by logging into <u>Self-Service</u> or by mailing a check or money order made payable to Alvernia University.

- If paying on Self-Service, sign into Self-Service then click Finances/Payment Portal.
- If paying by check or money order, please mail to: Alvernia University ATTN: Office of Student Financial Services 400 St. Bernardine Street Reading, PA 19607. Also, include a note that specifies what the money is to be applied to such as student ID and name.

Once you have paid your \$300 housing deposit, proceed to step two:

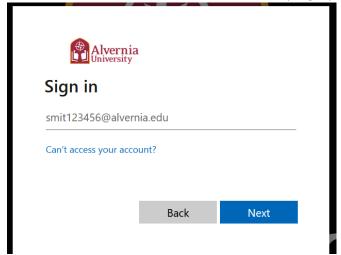
### STEP TWO: Apply for housing.

1. Click on ARC (Alvernia Residential Communities Portal) https://alvernia.erezlife.com

#### **ARC: Alvernia Residential Communities Portal**



2. You will be redirected to our Alvernia University login page to enter your login credentials.

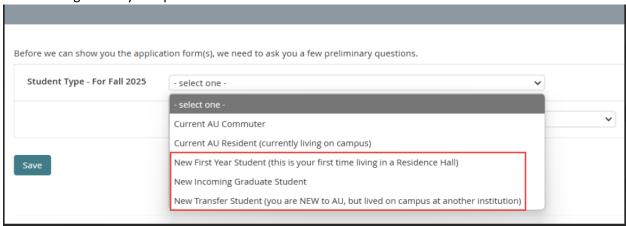


3. Once you are logged into ARC, proceed as follows:

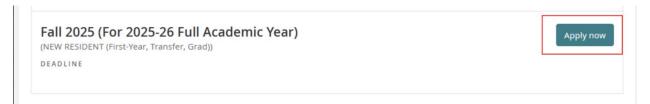
Before we can show you the application form(s), we need to ask you a few preliminary questions.

Student Type - For Fall 2025 - select one -

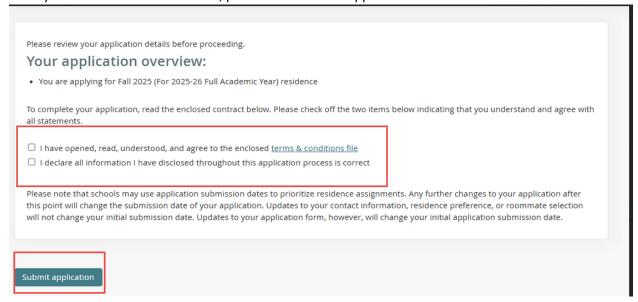
4. Click HOUSING OVERVIEW, then choose a STUDENT TYPE – For Fall 2025 that begins with "New" that best aligns with your specific situation:



5. Complete the Fall 2025 Application (For 2025-26 Full Academic Year) by clicking the green "APPLY NOW" button:



- 6. Proceed through the application and answer all questions.
- 7. On the last page of the application, you will find several boxes to check. One box has your housing contract attached (terms & conditions file) please read these terms and conditions. The other box indicates that you have been truthful when answering all the questions.
- 8. Once you have checked both boxes, please click "submit application"



#### **ROOMATES!**

Now that I have completed my housing application, on my homepage I have the ability to complete a roommate group (if I know who I'd like to live with), and/or create a roommate profile so I can search for potential roommates. Please note that opportunities for roommate groups are limited to only those in your specific cohort — so incoming students can only create roommate groups with other incoming students. The Office of Residence Life will do our best to accommodate roommate requests but cannot make a promise. Roommate groups are only eligible to be used for NEW INCOMING STUDENTS. Please request a current resident roommate via the roommate request form within our application.

#### How to Create a Roommate Group

- 1. Complete your application.
- 2. Click on the words "Roommate Group" on the left side of the screen.
- 3. Name your group (something that is appropriate please).
- 4. You can only select students who have a completed housing application in ARC, so make sure that your friends have completed their application.
- 5. Enter your friends Alvernia email address, <u>Firstname.Lastname@alvernia.edu</u>. (You can only add people that you are permitted to live with for example first year's can only live with other first-years.)
- 6. Tell your friends to login to their ARC page and accept the group that you have created.

#### No Roommate Group/Looking For Someone to Live With?

- 1. Complete your housing application.
- 2. Click on "My roommate profile" on the left-hand side of the screen, or you can find this under "recommended actions."
- 3. Follow the instructions to turn on your profile and share some information about yourself. Enter as little or as much information that you are comfortable with.

4. Decide how you want to share the information.

| Field            | All applicants | My contacts | Private |
|------------------|----------------|-------------|---------|
| Last Name        | 0              | •           |         |
| First Name       | 0              | •           |         |
| Email            | 0              | 0           | •       |
| Gender           | 0              | 0           | •       |
| Upcoming Credits | 0              | 0           | •       |
| ClassLevel       | 0              | 0           | •       |
| Middle name      | 0              | •           |         |

5. Share how you would like others to contact you \*please note you determine what contact information you disclose, AU does not provide that for students.

How would you like your contacts to communicate with you?

This system does not provide a way for you to communicate with your contacts. We'll leave that to social media and email. To help facilitate communication, let us know your preferred methods. These will only be viewable by your approved contacts.

| . Phone or text    |  |
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If you get stuck at any point or have any questions, please contact ORL via email <a href="mailto:reslife@alvernia.edu">reslife@alvernia.edu</a>.

# When Will I Find Out My Housing Assignment?

All assignments will be sent out via Alvernia email to those who have paid a housing deposit and completed the housing application by June 1, 2025 around July 15.