

Hello Golden Wolf,

- We are excited to have you as part of the Alvernia family! This email contains a lot of information so please take your time and read through it.
- The New Student Housing Application will open on October 27, 2025. Please make sure you have access to your Alvernia email, reset your Alvernia provided password, and have paid your housing deposit.
- Then, proceed to **STEP 2: APPLY FOR HOUSING** below.

Instructions for Spring 2026 Housing for New First-Year, New Transfer, New Grad Student and CURRENT AU Commuters not living on campus.

NEXT STEPS:

I want to live on campus beginning January 2026 (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 reset your password upon first login.
- Please see the example below.

Alvernia Student Logins			
		Academic Term: Spring 2026	Print Date: 09/09/2024
Name:			
Student Id:	74 003 4779	Student Email:	jessye.mcnell@alvernia.edu
Advisor:		Advisor Email:	
Welcome to Alvernia University!			
To access any of our University IT Systems, you must first log in and change your passwords in BOTH systems below. <u>If this initial first step is not completed, you will not be successful in logging into any of our systems.</u> Each login controls access to different systems listed below. You will be prompted to change passwords when you log in to both systems. Passwords should include a combination of letters, numbers, and symbols and be at least 12 characters long.			
Account	Username	Initial Password	Link

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 [Self-Service](#) 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/Student Accounts and Pay.
- 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.
- If paying in person, feel free to go to the Office of Student Financial Services located in Bernardine Hall 114 during regular business hours.

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

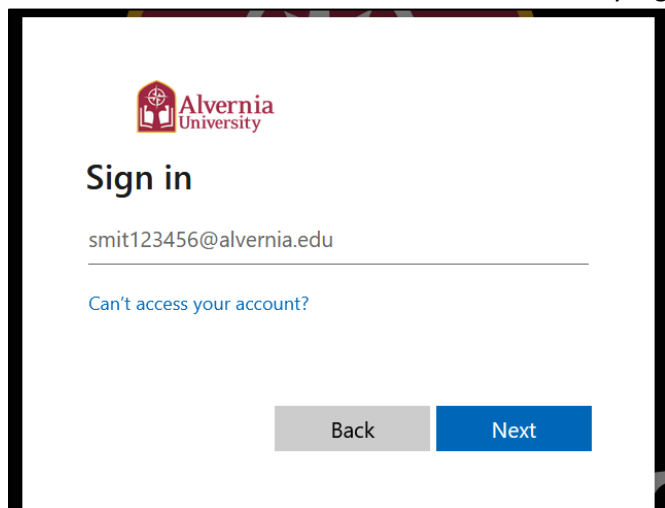
STEP TWO: Apply for Housing.

1. On the [Alvernia Logins](#) page, click on ARC (Alvernia Residential Communities Portal) <https://alvernia.erezlife.com>

ARC: Alvernia Residential Communities Portal

Login |

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



- Once you are logged into ARC, click HOUSING OVERVIEW, then choose a STUDENT TYPE – For Spring 2026 that begins with “New” that best aligns with your specific situation:

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

Student Type - Spring 2026 - select one -

- select one -

- New First Year Student (this is your first semester of college and time living in a Residence Hall)
- New Graduate Student
- New Transfer Student (you are NEW to AU, but attended and/or lived on campus at another institution)

Save

- Complete the Spring 2026 Application (For 2025-26 Full Academic Year) by clicking the “APPLY NOW” button:

Housing overview

Applications

Spring 2026 (For 2025-26 Full Academic Year)

(Spring Applicants)

DEADLINE
Dec 14, 2025

Apply now

- Proceed through the application and answer all questions.
- 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.
- Once you have checked both boxes, please click “submit application.”

Please review your application details before proceeding.

Your application overview:

- You are applying for Spring 2026 (For 2025-26 Full Academic Year) residence

To complete your application, read the enclosed contract below. Please check off the two items below indicating that you understand and agree with all statements.

- ☒ I have opened, read, understood, and agree to the enclosed [terms & conditions file](#)
- ☒ I declare all information I have disclosed throughout this application process is correct

Please note that schools may use application submission dates to prioritize residence assignments. Any further changes to your application after this point will change the submission date of your application. Updates to your contact information, residence preference, or roommate selection will not change your initial submission date. Updates to your application form, however, will change your initial application submission date.

Submit application

ROOMMATES!

Now that you have completed your housing application, on the homepage, you have the ability to complete a roommate group (if you know who you would like to live with), and/or create a roommate profile so you 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 their best to accommodate roommate requests. **Roommate groups are only eligible to be used for NEW INCOMING STUDENTS.** If you would like to request a current resident as your roommate, please do so 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, Firstname.Lastname@alvernia.edu. (You can only add people that you are permitted to live with; for example, first-year students can only live with other first-year students).
6. Tell your friends to login to their ARC page and accept the group that you have created. All members of your roommate group must accept your invitation for ARC to formally recognize your roommate group.

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.

Let us know what information you'd like to share from your housing application.

Field	All applicants	My contacts	Private
Last Name	☐	☒	☐
First Name	☐	☒	☐
Email	☐	☐	☒
Gender	☐	☐	☒
Upcoming Credits	☐	☐	☒
ClassLevel	☐	☐	☒
Middle name	☐	☒	☐

5. Share how you would like others to contact you *please note you determine what contact information you disclose; Alvernia 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	
 Email	
 Facebook	
 X	
 Tumblr	
 Pinterest	
 Instagram	
 Other	
 TikTok	
 WeChat	
 YouTube	
 Snapchat	
 WhatsApp	

If you get stuck at any point or have any questions, please contact the Office of Residence Life via email ResLife@alvernia.edu.

When Will I Find Out My Housing Assignment?

For those who have paid deposits by January 1, 2026, all assignments will be sent out via Alvernia email to those who have paid a housing deposit and completed the housing application. This will occur around January 5, 2026.