

York University Residence Move-In

This year we are taking extra precautions to keep you safe and healthy. We have carefully planned a move-in strategy to accommodate your arrival while maintaining physical distancing.

We look forward to seeing you soon!



REDUCED OCCUPANCY

Residences will open in the fall with reduced occupancy to facilitate physical distancing based on recommendations from public health. Each student will be assigned a single room only. In addition, washrooms will be assigned as well to limit sharing to two students per fixture.

Building access is controlled by access card. Residence Life Porters and Security Services staff monitor building access at night. The current policy prohibiting visitors in the residence buildings will continue to apply.

Access to common rooms in the residences will be permitted with reduced occupancy limits. While use of shared refrigerators in common rooms will not be permitted, students may rent or purchase small refrigerators for their rooms to store snacks. Access to residence laundry facilities will also be available.



STAGGERED MOVE IN DAYS

To ensure physical distancing, the move-in period has been extended and will start as early as August 24th for the Keele and Glendon Campuses. A limited number of time slots will be available each day and you must book your time slot in advance. Early arrival will be free of charge. A maximum of two people can accompany you to assist with your move-in, and each person coming on to campus will be required to complete a screening questionnaire.

Students will be sent more information about the move-in process and instructions to book a time slot in early August

CLEANING PROTOCOLS

Residence staff are taking a host of precautions informed by the latest public health advice to protect our residence community. The Residence Clean Care program is designed to elevate and monitor cleaning protocols in each residence building. The program focuses on:

- 1) Elevating cleaning and sanitization in all areas and on all high touch-point surfaces in the residence buildings.
- 2) Ensuring a safe environment for residents and building operations personnel.
- 3) Educating residents about cleaning and hygiene practices.

Students in suite-style undergraduate residences are responsible for cleaning their own washrooms and kitchens within their units. Students living in suite-style rooms will be provided with information from Toronto Public Health about cleaning their shared spaces.

RESIDENCE LIFE

Residence Life Staff are planning to offer a wider range of small group, one-on-one or virtual activities in partnership with other branches of the University. Students will also be encouraged to avail themselves of outdoor activities, residence life programming and other spaces on campus that may become available (e.g. recreation facilities).

Already this summer, students have gotten a taste of the new approach, including Netflix watch parties, online board game nights and Athletic & Recreation's small-group fitness classes.

In addition, all students are strongly encouraged to take part in Navigate, a year-long remote peer mentorship program that will connect first year students to an upper-year student and to first-year peers to help them make the most of their university experience.

SELF-ISOLATION SUPPORT

If you are arriving from outside Canada and need to quarantine for 14 days, the University will help facilitate your stay off-campus before moving in to residence is permitted. Information about this process will be provided to you soon.

In the event that you develop symptoms or suspect that you have COVID-19 while staying in residence, the University has a self-isolation/quarantine plan and supports in place. Students who are required to self-isolate will be relocated to a designated isolation suite, have access to food delivery, and will be supported by University staff.

Reach out to Office of Student Community Relations at 416-736-5231, oscr@yorku.ca or oscr.students.yorku.ca, if you need referrals and support, both internal or external to York.

FOOD ON CAMPUS

Our reimagined Food Services will continue to offer a variety of high quality and healthy meal choices while complying with public health best practices. Kitchen staff on both campuses wear personal protective equipment and prepare and serve a wider variety of freshly made, grab-and-go dishes - reducing long lines or having to touch serving utensils.

Students on the Glendon Campus will have access to the campus dining hall, which offers a range of freshly prepared meal choices and grab-and-go items. Students on the Keele Campus will have access to both Stong and Winters dining halls, as well as some of the other retail outlets that will be open on campus. A full list of eateries will be available at yorku.ca/food.

In addition, we are implementing a mobile order-and-pay app that will enable you to pre-order your food from participating campus eateries and pay with your meal plan.