

chatham UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF RESIDENCE LIFE – STUDENT AFFAIRS

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF RESIDENCY 2020-2021 ADDENDUM

This contract is an addendum to the Terms & Conditions of Residency and applies to students/residents assigned to a bed space in Chatham University owned or leased housing for the academic year (or balance thereof). It becomes legally binding (1) when completed, signed, and returned to the Office of Residence Life or (2) when the resident accepts a room key for a University residence. By signing this contract or by occupying a room, the student (referred to as the resident throughout this addendum) agrees to and accepts all terms and conditions included with the Terms and Conditions of Residency signed online as part of your housing application and the Terms and Conditions of Residency Addendum, which includes information about the COVID-19 acknowledgement of risk.

Violation of these terms and conditions or any other applicable rules, policies, or procedures incorporated by reference herein, or any other official University publication, such as the Student Handbook (available online), may subject the resident to disciplinary action and/or fines; including, but not limited to, termination of occupancy in a residence hall room/apartment and/or suspension or expulsion from the University.

COVID-19 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

The novel coronavirus, known as COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. Residents understand that by residing in Chatham University owned or leased housing, you are assuming the risks associated with communal living and as in any shared living environment, those risks include potential exposure to contagious viruses, including COVID-19. You acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that you may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by being on campus and that such exposure or infection may result in serious illness, hospitalization, and death.

I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of yourself and others, including, but not limited to, University employees, fellow students and their families, volunteers, and agents acting on behalf of Chatham University. I voluntarily agree to assume all of these risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I may experience or incur in connection with living in Chatham University owned or leased housing. I agree to release Chatham University, its agents, and employees from any and all damages, liability, claims, expenses, or loss (collectively, "Claims") resulting from or arising out of your use of space within Chatham University owned or leased housing, which includes potential exposure to contagious viruses like COVID-19. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

CONTRACT PERIOD/DATES ADJUSTMENT

The housing contract periods and dates for University owned or affiliated housing have been adjusted to reflect the transition to virtual learning at Thanksgiving Break. The University reserves the right to adjust contact periods and dates to mitigate the risks associated with COVID-19 and based on University need or guidance received from local, state, and federal agencies. The University will notify students in writing of any future contract date changes and adjustments _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

2020 Fall Term Housing opens to first-year and transfer students at 8 a.m. on **AUGUST 19, 2020** and **AUGUST 20, 2020** and to returning students at 9 a.m. on **AUGUST 22, 2020** and **AUGUST 23, 2020**. All residence halls and undergraduate apartments close for the fall term at noon on **NOVEMBER 23, 2020**. Students are not allowed to enter or occupy the residence halls after this time, unless they have request and been approved to remain in their residence hall/apartment by the Office of Residence Life. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 VIRUS MITIGATION POLICIES

Residents are required to comply with all residential policies and procedures established by the University and the Residence Life staff included in this contract, in other official University publications such as the Student Handbook and assumed under this contract by reference. Such policies and procedures are available from the appropriate University offices. Students are responsible for informing themselves of such policies and procedures.

Chatham University has established policies to help mitigate the risk of contracting and spreading COVID-19. Based on guidance and recommendations from the Allegheny County Health Department, Pennsylvania Health Department, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention all resident/students are required to comply with the below statements related to mitigation strategies to stop or decrease the spread of COVID-19.

COVID-19 Safety Training & Signage

Residents will attend their residence hall meeting to participate and complete COVID-19 safety training and any additional trainings or meetings that are announced. Residents will adhere to all signage posted regarding COVID-19 mitigation and social distancing requirements and recommendations. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

De-densifying & Consolidation

Residents are required to comply with any de-densifying efforts or consolidation requests needed on-campus due to COVID-19 or other public health emergencies, including, but not limited to, the relocation or reassignment of residents to another space on or off campus. Relocation or reassignment does not constitute a termination of a resident students housing contract or entitle residents to any form of financial reimbursement. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Health Monitoring

Residents are expected to monitor their health at all times. If a resident is displaying any COVID-19 symptoms they are required to contact their medical health provider for further guidance and instructions. Residents who are displaying any symptoms must notify Health Services and Residence Life, while self-isolating in their room. During self-isolation residents should not attend class or any community events until symptoms either decrease or they have received a medical diagnosis. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Guests/Visitors

Resident guests' privileges are suspended until further notice. Resident students are not permitted to host off-campus guests (including family and friends) or other Chatham University students/residents who do not reside in the same building or tower. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Room Occupancy

Resident occupancy restrictions limit the number of residents/students who can be in a room at one time. Residence Hall single occupant rooms are permitted no more than 2 (including the resident) double occupant rooms no more than 3 (including residents), triple occupant rooms no more than 4 (including residents), and quad occupant rooms no more than 5 (including residents). Residents residing in a 2-person apartment are restricted to no more than 4 (including residents) and no more than 5 in a 3-person apartment. As a reminder, the only individuals who can visit another residents room are residents who currently reside in the same building or tower. Residents from other buildings or towers are not permitted to enter a building they do not live in. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Communal Bathroom Occupancy

The number of individuals who can be in a communal restroom at one time has been posted on the doors of each bathroom. Residents are always expected to comply to these occupancy restrictions and adhere to the number posted on the bathroom door. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Community Lounges and Kitchens

Lounges, and community kitchens in the residence halls and Chatham Apartments may be closed for use or have occupancy restrictions. Residents will adhere to closures and posted occupancy restrictions. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Masks/Protective Wear

Residents are required to wear a mask in all public spaces, which includes residence hall and apartment stairwells, hallways, laundry rooms, community kitchens, lounges/community spaces, and communal bathrooms. Masks are not required when you are inside your residence hall room or apartment. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Safety Plan

Residents are required to complete a safety plan prior to move-in that outlines their plans if they were to contract or be exposed to COVID-19. The safety plan includes residents having to identify an emergency relocation plan in the event they are required to move off-campus due to a closure of campus housing. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Temperature and Symptom Screenings

Residents will submit to daily temperature/symptom screenings at various locations on-campus and will follow any guidance or instructions they receive as a result of these screenings. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Cleaning/Disinfecting

While the University will be increasing its cleaning and disinfecting schedule, residents are expected and agree to clean and disinfect areas that have high touch points before and after use. High touch point areas include laundry rooms, communal bathrooms, and community kitchens. Cleaning and disinfecting products are in each of these locations for student use. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Self-Isolation/Quarantine

Residents will be required to self-isolate and/or complete COVID-19 testing if they are exposed to COVID-19 at any time while residing in on-campus housing. If a resident is notified, they must self-isolate/quarantine, they are required to self-isolate and comply with all instructions provided by the University. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

COVID-19 Testing

Residents may be required to submit to COVID-19 testing at any time throughout the academic year. Residents will be expected to comply with all instructions provided by the University. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

Student Housing Closure & Termination

Upon reasonable notice, Chatham University reserves the right to close student housing and terminate housing contracts due to public health emergency needs, including COVID-19. In the event Chatham University terminates a housing contract due to public health concerns, students will be required to vacate housing by the deadline provided by the Office of Residence Life. Chatham University will offer pro-rated room and board reimbursements for impacted students as appropriate and based on information available at that time. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

COVID-19 EXPOSURE AND INFECTION HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOL

Residents residing in Chatham University owned or leased housing acknowledge that through their day-to-day interaction both on and off campus they are at risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19. Residents who test positive for COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone who tests positive will be required to quarantine or self-isolate off-campus at their home, within their assigned room, or in one of the designated self-isolation locations on-campus per the Resident Self-Isolation/Quarantine Policy and Protocol. Residents are required to follow all instructions provided by Chatham University as it relates to self-isolation and quarantine. Failure to do so will result in a termination of the housing contract and removal from Chatham University owned or leased housing. _____ **STUDENT INITIAL**

As every community is directed by changing needs, policies, and procedures are subject to periodic change based on Chatham University need or from guidance received from the Allegheny County Health Department, Pennsylvania Health Department, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The student agrees that they will abide by all residence hall/apartment policies and regulations as they appear in the Student Handbook and any supplements to the handbook that may be issued.

Please read and sign this document, and initial where appropriate, to supplement your contract for housing with Chatham University.

I, _____ have read this contract and my signature below indicates my understanding of and intended compliance with all policy and procedure contained herein.

Signature ID Number Date

Office use:
Bld: Room/Apt#: Rec'd: