Guide to moving in

Each year, the University of Georgia community welcomes more than 8,000 students into the many residence halls in a very condensed time period. On the first day of move-in, hundreds of volunteers work to streamline the move-in process and to address resident and family feedback concerning traffic congestion, parking lot availability and elevator service.

Move in for fall 2020 is 8 a.m. Sunday, August 16 until 9 p.m. Thursday, August 20. At press time, we are able to provide the following details about the move-in process but will provide updates via UGA email and on the move-in portion of the housing website at housing.uga.edu/site/resources_movein_moveout

ARRIVAL TIME SLOTS

In an effort to prioritize the health and safety of our community, move-in time slots will be available to less-en the number of people consistently coming into contact with one another. In staggering check-in times, University Housing is considering how many people would be in the building at a time, including elevator use. Time slots for residence hall move in begin at 8 a.m. for participants of Greek recruitment and other special groups, including Redcoat Band. University Housing will contact eligible par-ticipants with move-in time slot information.

AUGUST 16-17: In order to reduce vehicular traffic and move-in lines, student arrival times for move in will be staggered. All residents who plan on moving in on Sunday, August 16 between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. must schedule an arrival time slot. Residents checking in after these times do not need to schedule an arrival time slot and have until 9 a.m. on August 20 to check in. The arrival time slot sched-ulizing site will open in late June. More specific information about the site and how to schedule an arrival time slot will be shared in advance of the site opening.

AUGUST 17-20: Move-in continues round-the-clock with no time slots needed. All residents must check in to their residence hall by 9 a.m. on August 20.

Move in is a busy time, please be patient and expect that elevators, parking lots and hallways will be crowded throughout move-in week. Please place all of your trash and recycling in designated locations around each building.

The check-in process varies from year to year and it is difficult to predict when the ‘best’ days and times are for students to check in to avoid lines. Check-in lines are typically not as long in the late afternoon or early evenings but again, this may vary from hall to hall. Housing staff make every effort to minimize delays in the check-in process.

UNLOADING ZONES

On Saturday, August 15 and Sunday, August 16, unload-ing zones will be established in several parking lots near residence halls to assist residents and their families with move-in. Drivers will be issued one-hour parking passes to unload their vehicles and then be redirected to long-term parking lots after unloading. Vehicles remaining longer than the one-hour time period will be towed at the owner’s expense. Maps with unloading zones and long-term parking locations for each area of campus will be distributed as they are finalized.

WHAT YOU’LL NEED TO MOVE IN

Students are encouraged to consider bringing a small cart or dolly. Although carts are available in many buildings, there is a limited number of carts available for students to use. You might also consider bringing a small tool kit and a pen for filling out several forms at check in.

CHECKING INTO A RESIDENCE HALL ROOM

Each student must have his/her UGACard or government-issued ID to check in. Students should know their student ID number and emer-gency contact information (preferably, this should be someone in the United States). Only the student can receive a room key; family mem-bers and roommates cannot check into a room and receive a key for a student. Students should also expect to receive their mailbox combina-tion/key and a copy of the Room Inventory Card (this is a form noting the current condition of the room that students should keep for their records). Once check-in begins, students can check in and obtain a key 24 hours a day.

DECORATION

The condition of the room must be the same at checkout as it is at check in. Residents should review the online Community Guide (avail-able at housing.uga.edu) for the decoration policies.

INSURANCE

University Housing recommends that students obtain some type of renter’s insurance whether that be a special policy or as a part of a family member’s homeowner policy.

MAIL

Mail is delivered by the United States Postal Service to the central mail-boxes assigned in each area or hall. In University Village Housing and the Health Sciences Campus (HSC) mail is delivered by the U.S. Postal