

## **Friends University Does Not Guarantee Housing**

Friends University does not guarantee housing to any student at any time, even to those students who are already living on campus. On-campus housing is assigned in the following manner.

1. Every year, students already living on campus are notified via letters, e-mails, phone calls, postcards on their doors, and personal visits and reminded to turn in an application by the assigned deadline in order to apply for upper class housing for the following year.

2. After the deadline (usually midnight of a night in March), the Office of Community and Residential Development staff organizes the applications and assigns students in the following order:

A. Students who currently live on campus and want to return to their current location for the next year are assigned first. We refer to these students as having squatters' rights.

B. Seniors who currently live on campus are assigned. We rank these senior applicants using GPA and then cumulative hours earned.

C. Juniors who currently live on campus are assigned. We rank these junior applicants using GPA and then cumulative hours earned.

D. Sophomores who currently live on campus are assigned. We rank these sophomore applicants using GPA and then cumulative hours earned.

E. Freshmen who currently live on campus are assigned. We rank these freshmen applicants using GPA and then cumulative hours earned.

F. Finally, students who live off campus are assigned based on academic seniority, GPA and cumulative hours earned.

\*Please know that we do not use one's hometown location and its distance to Friends as any criteria for placing applicants. Further, we do not use the date an application is received as any criteria for placing applicants, unless it is received after the application deadline. In such cases, the application is placed at the very end of the list.

After filling all of our on-campus facilities, we begin a waiting list based on the same criteria as above (i.e. on-campus students take precedence over off-campus students. Those students, then, are ranked based on their academic seniority, GPA, and cumulative hours earned). Know that sometimes students do not receive any of their first three housing preferences indicated on their applications. This is because those facilities were already filled with occupants who requested the same facilities and ranked higher on the application list. We still try to provide students with an assignment as close as we can find to their original requests.

Once assigned, students are mailed a letter informing them of their housing assignment. Students then have until a noted deadline (usually in mid-April) to accept or decline their assignment. If they decline their assignment, they are placed on the waiting list in the same order as outlined above.