

POLICIES

Can I smoke in my room?

No, each residence hall apartment is substance free/smoke free. Students may step out into the courtyard area to smoke a cigarette. We ask out of consideration to non-smokers and the neighbors surrounding that smoking not take place directly outside the room door. Smoke does travel through the ventilation as it rises through the air.

Can I bring a car?

Yes, any student may bring a car to campus (freshman included). You must, however, register your car with Security and pay the decal fee in order to obtain your parking permit. Residents are expected to display this decal on their car at all times or they may face violations of the parking policy on campus.

May I have a pet?

Only fish are allowed (in a tank up to 10 gallons).

What is the alcohol policy?

The misuse of alcohol and other drugs interferes with a student's academic and extra-curricular performance, as well as their emotional, physical, mental and social development. Northwood University makes every attempt to provide for a positive learning environment that supports individual student growth. Minimizing the harmful effects of drugs and alcohol is a key step in creating such an environment. The University expects students to conduct themselves in a responsible manner, both on and off campus, with respect to alcohol use. The distribution, use or possession of any substances which violates federal or state laws are subject to disciplinary action by the University. The University also encourages and facilitates student education regarding drugs and alcohol, and their related problems.

For any individual under 21 years of age, individuals found in non-designated "21" apartments, or individuals found in public areas of the campus, the following constitutes a violation of the University's alcohol policy.

1. The presence, possession and/or use of any type of alcohol and/or the presence or possession of any alcoholic container; including but not limited to cans, bottles, cartons, kegs, etc.
2. Behavior attributed to consumption of alcohol. Intoxication in no way relieves an individual of full responsibility for the consequences of their actions.

For individuals and students to possess and/or consume alcohol, they must meet and/or comply with the following guidelines:

1. Must be at least 21 years old.
2. Must be assigned to or be present in an apartment designated as a "21" approved apartment in the Stauffer Residence Complex. (Note: Designations are made by the Director of Housing after the apartment residents file an apartment agreement)
3. Alcohol may only be consumed in the designated apartment, with the door closed.
4. Alcohol may not be possessed or consumed in the presence of any one under 21 years of age in a designated apartment unless the under age student is assigned to that apartment.
5. No individual over 21 may provide alcohol to students under 21 years of age, regardless of academic status.
6. No kegs, pony kegs, party balls or large quantities of alcohol are permitted.
7. No parties or large gatherings of students in apartments where alcohol is present. (No more than six people in an apartment when alcohol is present).

8. Alcohol is not permitted in public/common areas, non-designated apartments, or anywhere else on Northwood property.
9. All students present in a residence hall apartment or anywhere on school owned property where alcohol is prohibited may be held responsible for an alcohol violation.
10. Residents will be responsible for alcohol violations committed by their guests.
11. Alcohol may not be permitted at Northwood sponsored off-campus events. (See policy on Student Activities and Alcoholic Beverages)

Where can I wash my clothes?

The Stauffer Residence Complex has 4 coin-operated laundry facilities throughout the complex that are available 24 hours a day year round.

What is the visitation policy?

Visitation hours are 9am-12am Sunday-Thursday and 9am-2am on Friday-Saturday. These hours are in affect for security and privacy reasons. Resident may not have guests in their apartments after the established hours. Guests do include commuter students, other residents not assigned to that apartment, all non students, and members of the opposite sex. Since we have a 24 hour gatehouse, only resident students with a valid Northwood ID Card and parking decal will be admitted on the campus after visitation hours. During break periods, the visitation hours may be adjusted.

Can I have overnight guests?

Yes, the registered overnight guest policy allows for hosting same gender friends and family members with written approval from the Director of Housing as long as the other roommate(s)/suite(s) are fine with the arrangement. Guests may be registered for a maximum of 3 nights. Vehicles accessing the campus must still display a valid vehicle decal (temporary parking permits are available in advance through the Residential Life Office or Security Office).