Policy Statement. On-campus housing, dining, and student life facilities are a vital part of the process of educating students at the University of North Texas. In order to promote the education and personal welfare of students attending the University of North Texas, all freshmen are required to live in on-campus residence halls as long as space is available. The goal is to bring students together and thereby promote intellectual exchange and to allow the staff to encourage the educational process and monitor the personal welfare of the students.

Application of Policy. Students.

Definitions. None.

Procedures and Responsibilities.

1.0 All unmarried undergraduate students who have graduated from high school the semester prior to enrolling at the UNT, who have completed fewer than thirty (30) semester hours of university work (any hours completed while in high school not included in the thirty hours) and who enroll for nine or more semester hours are required to reside in university operated residence halls under a contractual room and board plan as long as space is available.

2.0 This housing policy shall be administered by the Director of Housing of the University who shall be authorized to grant exceptions or exemptions from the on-campus housing requirements when it is found and determined, after proper application being made, that:

   a. The student lives at home with a parent, grandparent, married brother or sister, or other approved relative or guardian, or in a dwelling owned by the same, or
   b. Because of the student’s experience and maturity, (such as returning military veterans, or previously married students), he or she would be incompatible with the educational objective sought to be promoted by the on-campus housing policy and would have little to gain or to contribute to the educational objective, or
   c. The student will suffer significant hardship because of insufficient financial resources or because of medical reasons which would impair the health of the student if required to live in the on-campus residence housing.

3.0 A student dissatisfied with the decision or finding of the Housing Department regarding an application for exception or exemption may appeal to the Assistant Vice President for Business Services.
4.0 Students entering into a housing contract who otherwise would not be required to enter into such a contract by University housing policy will be required to fulfill the terms of the contract.

5.0 Students who are not required to live in University housing under the terms of this policy may live where they choose. The University does not assume any responsibility in off-campus housing arrangements, but the University does support the Federal Housing Policies that housing owners may not discriminate because of race, color, sex, national origin, religion or disability.

**Responsible Party:** Director of Housing

**References and Cross-references.** None.

**Forms and Tools.** None.

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