



FLORIDA ATLANTIC

MOVE-IN GUIDE

BOCA CAMPUS - FALL 2026



Welcome!

We're excited to have you join the Florida Atlantic residential community. We are here to support your success and make sure your on-campus living experience is safe, comfortable, and engaging.

Living on campus is about more than just where you sleep—it's about building community, learning life skills, and making lifelong connections. We're glad you're here, and we look forward to a great year together. Here are a few important reminders and resources to help you get started:

Room & Hall Policies

Please take a few minutes to review our community standards and housing policies in the Community Guide. These guidelines help ensure a positive and respectful environment for everyone.

Room Condition Report

Using the work order system, please report any damages/defects for your room/unit by Friday, August 28, 2026. You may be financially responsible for any pre-existing damage, abuse, or vandalism that is not reported through a work order by August 28.

Community Events

Be on the lookout for events hosted by your Resident Assistant (RA), Hall Staff, and Florida Atlantic Community! These events are a great way to meet your neighbors, learn about campus resources, and have a good time. As the next step in your transition to FAU, we invite you to attend your first Community Gathering. Information will be posted in your residence hall.

Front Desk

The Front Desk for your community opens at 8 a.m. on Sunday, August 16 and will be staffed 24/7 when classes are in session. The Front Desk Staff can assist with questions and promote a safe, healthy, and welcoming community.

Need Assistance?

In addition, our Housing Office is here for you. If you have questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out. You can visit us in person in Building 46 during normal business hours, call 561-297-2880, or email housing@fau.edu.

Warm regards,
Dr. Kathleen Gardner
Executive Director of Housing and Residential Education

FIRST STEPS

MOVE-IN TIME SLOTS

To create a smoother, more efficient move-in experience, students moving into **APT, GPT, HPT, and IRT** have been assigned a specific move-in day and arrival time. This is a new process for 2026. Assigned arrival times help reduce elevator wait times, minimize traffic congestion around the residence halls, and allow families to spend less time waiting outside in the heat. Students assigned an arrival time should plan to arrive at Centralized Check-In in the Campus Recreation Center during their scheduled appointment. Families who arrive before their assigned time will be asked to return at their scheduled appointment.

Students moving into **PAR, IVA, TAL, and UVA** should select a move-in appointment through the Housing Portal by August 16 at 5:00 p.m. Students without an appointment will need to wait until after 12 Noon on Saturday, August 22 to move-in.

All students should check in first at the Centralized Check-In (Campus Recreation Center) during their assigned or selected move-in appointment to pick up their room key. After checking in, proceed directly to your assigned residence hall. Please do not go directly to your residence hall.

Your move-in appointment is your check-in time. Once you have picked up your room key, you may take the time you need to move your belongings into your room. If a student is unable to arrive during their assigned appointment, they may arrive after 6:00 p.m. on their assigned move-in day. After 6:00 p.m., they should go directly to their residence hall and bypass Centralized Check-In.

You can review your housing assignment on the Application Status page of the 2026–2027 Housing Application in the Housing Portal.

REQUEST AN OWL CARD

You will need your Owl card to move in and access your residence hall. If you were not on-campus for Summer 3, you will pick up your Owl card when you arrive for move-in in August. If you have not already done so, please visit the [Owl Card Center's website](#) and order your Owl card online by **July 20** to pick up at centralized check-in in August. You must be registered for classes to request an Owl card.

MAKE YOUR HOUSING PAYMENT

Housing fees must be paid by the University payment deadline for each semester. Payments may be made online at [myfau.fau.edu](#). If you are not deferred by Financial Aid, you must pay your student account in full or be enrolled in a payment plan by fee payment deadlines. Please visit [Tuition and Billing Services](#) for payment deadlines and more information.

GETTING READY TO LIVE ON-CAMPUS

CONSIDER INSURANCE

The university does not insure any personal belongings. Students and families should decide whether to carry a personal renter's insurance policy.

CONTACTING YOUR ROOMMATE(S)

We encourage you to reach out to your roommate and suitemates before move-in. You can find their contact information in the Housing Portal—just click on your Fall 2026 application to view your room assignment and occupant details.

REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE

All residents who are bringing a vehicle to campus for the academic year must register their vehicle and license plate to park in green parking lots. To obtain your virtual permit:

1. Go to [parking.fau.edu](#).
2. Log in with your FAUNet ID.
3. Click on "Buy Permit".
4. Fill out all information correctly.
5. Your license plate is your permit, so please ensure the license plate is entered correctly.

MAINTENANCE REQUEST APP

Florida Atlantic Housing uses Asset Essentials to manage maintenance requests within the Residence Halls and Apartments. Asset Essentials has a mobile app that allows residents to put maintenance requests in on the go. The app can be downloaded to your smartphone or tablet through either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Simply search for Asset Essentials.

LAUNDRY APP

Residents are encouraged to download the laundry app used in their community. The app allows you to monitor washer and dryer availability, receive cycle completion notifications, and manage your laundry more conveniently. Information about downloading and setting up the app will be available in your laundry room. This service is not available for residents of Innovation Village Apartments (IVA).

OWL READY APP

Make sure to download the Owl Ready App. Owl Ready is the official preparedness and safety app of Florida Atlantic University.

HURRICANE GUIDE

This guide provides information on how to prepare before, during, and after a hurricane, as well as reviews the university's hurricane processes. [The hurricane guide](#) can be found online within our Housing Resources.

DAY OF MOVE-IN

All students should check in first at the Centralized Check-In (Campus Recreation Center) during their assigned or selected move-in appointment to pick up their room key.

1. All students will check in at Campus Recreation during their assigned check-in time. Please go directly to the Campus Recreation building to begin the process.
2. Park in Lot 7, located adjacent to Campus Recreation.
3. If you do not yet have your Owl Card, you can pick one up at Campus Recreation on August 18 or 19 before proceeding with check-in.
4. Once you have your Owl Card, proceed to the check-in stations at Campus Recreation to receive your room keys.
5. After receiving your keys, take a moment to stop by the resource tables. Various campus offices and student organizations will be available to answer questions and share helpful information to get you ready for the year.
6. Use the move-in map you will be given and follow the designated route to your assigned residence hall. Staff and signage will be available to guide you.
7. Upon arrival, you will be directed into the unloading zone, where you will have 30 minutes to unload your belongings. Someone must remain with your vehicle at all times.
8. Moving bins are available for checkout inside your building with a valid photo ID. Each bin may be used for up to 30 minutes.
9. Once you've finished unloading, please promptly relocate your vehicle to a designated parking area outside of the unloading zone to allow others to unload.
10. Individual bedrooms are labeled with a letter. Please move into your assigned bedroom, as listed on your key envelope.
11. Do not remove any university furniture from your living unit.

If you get delayed and arrive after 5:00 p.m. on August 18, 19, 21, or 22, please proceed directly to your residence hall to check-in.



THINGS TO KNOW

- **Guests:** Students are welcome to bring family or friends to assist with move-in.
- **Pets:** Pets are not permitted. Only certified service animals are allowed in accordance with university policy.
- **Moving Equipment:** You are encouraged to bring your own dolly or hand truck, as university-provided move-in bins are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **Parking:** Parking permits are not required during move-in. However, please do not park on sidewalks, grass, in ADA spaces (without proper permits), or in any reserved or restricted spaces. Follow directional signage and staff guidance to ensure a smooth and safe move-in experience.

WHAT TO PACK LIST

Here is our recommendation on what to bring to live on campus

LINENS

Pillow
Sheets
Blankets
Mattress Pad

PERSONAL ITEMS

Towels
Washcloths
Toilet Paper
Shower Supplies
Shower Curtain
Toilet Plunger
Hand Sanitizers
Antibacterial Soap
Room Decorations

LAUNDRY & CLEANING

Broom
Dustpan
Bleach Cleaning Products
Shower Cleaner
Laundry Bag/Basket
Detergent
Shower Brush/ Toilet Brush
Shower Liner and Shower Curtain (72" x 72")
Toilet Bowl Cleaner
Disinfectant Wipes
Disinfectant Spray

KITCHEN

Cups and Dishes
Cutlery
Plastic Containers with Tight Lids
Food Preparation Supplies

EMERGENCY ITEMS

First-Aid Kit
Medicine
Flashlight
Batteries
Non-Perishable Food
Water Bottle

OTHER ITEMS

Non-Halogen Lamp
Padlock for Lockable Storage Unit
Surge Protectors
Power Strips-15 AMP Circuit Breaker (UL Approved)

BEDDING SIZES

Twin Extra Long-Bedding
BPW, GPT, HPT, IRT, PAR, UVA, APT, TAL

Full-Size Bedding

IVAN, IVAS

APPLIANCES ALLOWED

Air Fryers
Blenders
Electric Kettles
Coffee Makers
Instant Pot
Rice Cookers

Only Allowed In IVAN/S, and UVA

Hot Air Popcorn Poppers
Small Electric Grills
Toaster Ovens
Food Processors
Crock Pots
Electric Mixers
Toasters

OPTIONAL ITEMS TO CONSIDER

- Refrigerator and/or microwave*
- Stacking containers
 - Throw rugs
- TV, laptop, printer
- Bicycle and lock

**Refrigerators should be 4.2 cubic feet or smaller and should have a maximum of 400 watts at 120 volts.*

Microwave ovens should be 1.5 cubic feet capacity or smaller and should have a maximum of 1100 watts at 120 volts.

REFRIGERATORS

The following buildings come with refrigerators within the suite.

- Talon Hall
- Atlantic Park Towers
- Innovation Village Apartments
- University Village Apartments

THINGS TO LEAVE AT HOME

- X Pets (Except for fish in tanks no larger than 10 gallons)
- X Amplified equipment (Ex. Sub-woofers)
- X Fireworks, hot plates, incense, candles (no open flames)
- X Alcohol, chemicals, illegal substances, tobacco/vapors and drug paraphernalia
- X Weapons (Any type of knives, bow and arrow, firearms, BB guns, paintball guns, etc.)
- X Wireless access points, routers and hubs

X LED Strip Lighting Tape

PERSONAL ELECTRIC-POWERED VEHICLES

Non-service mobility devices (including scooters) are not allowed inside Florida Atlantic residential buildings. All vehicles must be stored outside and secured to a bike rack.

RESIDENTIAL MAIL SERVICES

If you live in a **west campus** building, you will pick up your letter mail and packages from the mailroom.

If you live in an **east campus** building you will pick up your packages from the mailroom and your letter mail from your mailbox.

MAILROOMS

APT, IVAS, and PAR

Open: Mon. - Fri. and Sat.

Hours are posted at mailroom

- ▶ The mailroom for all West Campus Halls is in **Atlantic Park Towers**.
- ▶ The mailroom for Innovation Village Apartments is in **IVA-South**.
- ▶ The mailroom for UVA, BPWSH, and PAR is **Parliament Hall**.
- ▶ **Talon Hall** has its own package pick-up lockers, where most residents receive their packages. Large packages and letter mail will be delivered to the Parliament Hall mailroom.

**Packages will be accepted starting 10 days before move-in.*

WEST CAMPUS

▶ ATLANTIC PARK TOWERS

Student Name
Box ### - A
1900 Dade Ave.
Boca Raton, Florida 33431-6497
561-297-4867

HERITAGE PARK TOWERS

Student Name
Box ### - H
1800 Brevard Court
Boca Raton, FL 33431-6471
561-297-5200

GLADES PARK TOWERS

Student Name
Box ### - G
921 Indian River Street
Boca Raton, FL 33431-6440
561-297-5340

INDIAN RIVER TOWERS

Student Name
Box ### - I
815 Indian River Street
Boca Raton, FL 33431-6471
561-297-5000

▶ MAILROOMS

EAST CAMPUS

INNOVATION VILLAGE APARTMENTS SOUTH ◀

Student Name
Box ### - S
990 North University Drive
Boca Raton, FL 33431-6482
561-297-5700

INNOVATION VILLAGE APARTMENTS NORTH

Student Name
Box ### - V
980 North University Drive
Boca Raton, FL 33431-6481
561-297-5750

PARLIAMENT HALL ◀

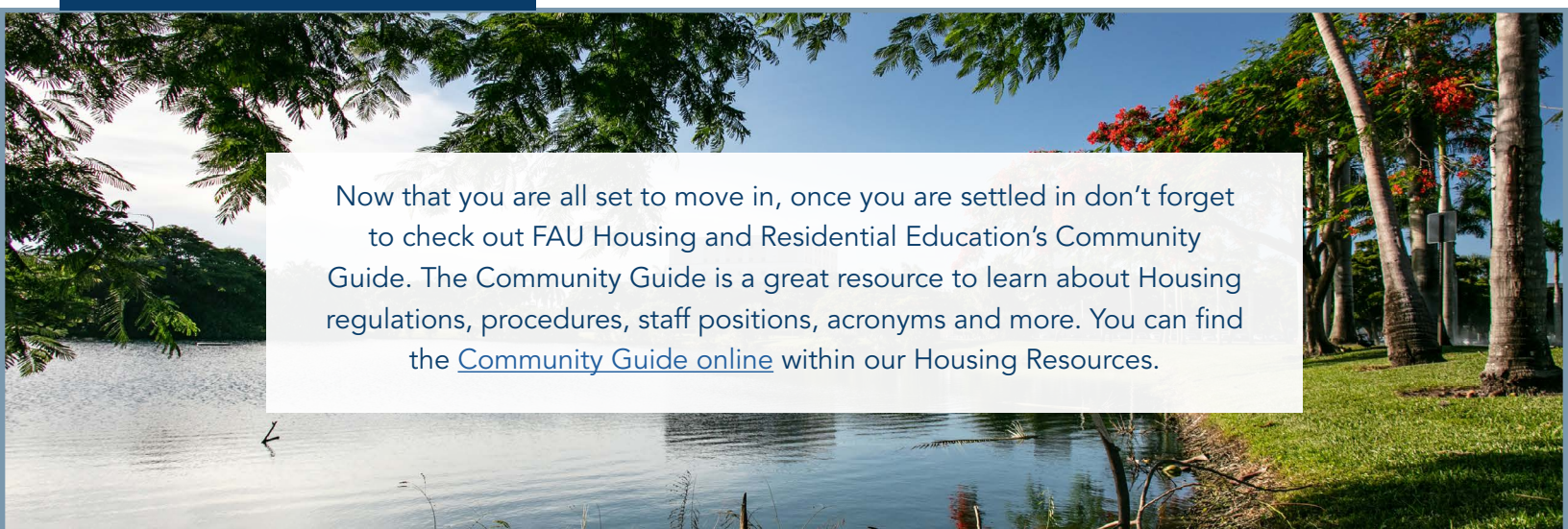
Student Name
Box ### - P
1700 St. Lucie Avenue South
Boca Raton, FL 33431-6487
561-297-5800

UNIVERSITY VILLAGE APARTMENTS

Student Name
Box ### - N
1880 East University Drive
Boca Raton, FL 33431-6488
561-297-5029

TALON HALL

Student Name
Box ### - T
1650 St. Lucie Avenue South
Boca Raton, FL 33433
Phone Number Coming Soon



Now that you are all set to move in, once you are settled in don't forget to check out FAU Housing and Residential Education's Community Guide. The Community Guide is a great resource to learn about Housing regulations, procedures, staff positions, acronyms and more. You can find the [Community Guide online](#) within our Housing Resources.

LOOKING AHEAD

ACCESS

Please always have your Owl Card with you. Your Owl Card can access your assigned community. Don't give it to any other person; it is a policy violation. Residents will be charged \$25 per lockout after August 28.

ROOMMATE AGREEMENT

Sharing a room or suite can be a new and exciting experience for many students moving on campus. It offers great opportunities for connection, personal growth, and learning to live in a shared space. However, it also requires communication, cooperation, compromise, and mutual respect to ensure a healthy and comfortable living environment for all. To support this, students are strongly encouraged to complete a Roommate Agreement with the guidance of their Resident Assistant (RA) by the second Tuesday of each term's start.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

National research indicates that living and/or working on campus is positively correlated with student success, including retention and graduation rates. All HRE student staff positions offer opportunities to develop essential work skills and gain valuable experience that will be beneficial for graduate studies or entry into the workforce. Speak with any of our staff to learn more about these exciting opportunities. For information on employment opportunities, please visit our [Student Employment webpage](#).

GETTING INVOLVED

Community Council is a group of student residents who work together to build community, plan events, and represent the interests of your residential community. Interested in getting involved? [Contact your Community Coordinator](#).

BEACH PERMIT

Residential students can request a residence support letter for a beach pass for Jupiter and Boca Raton by emailing housing@fau.edu with the Subject: Beach Pass

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 24 - Sept. 4	Red and Blue Weeks
September 3 - 4	Housing Res Fest
September 7	Front Desk Staff Applications Open
October 1	RA Applications Open
October 2 - 4	Owl Family Weekend
October 19 - 24	Homecoming Week
December 17 at Noon	Check-out for Fall 2026 residents. Check-out only applies to Fall residents who are not returning for Spring
May 6, 2027 at Noon	Spring Move-Out

