WELCOME TO #TEAMLUCOMMUTER

On behalf of Commuter Services, I want to personally welcome you to the commuter family. Whether you are moving off campus, transferring from another university, or attending college for the first time, your desire to live off campus marks a milestone in your life.

Commuter Services is available to help you with the unique opportunities and challenges of living off campus. Our staff wants to keep you connected to Liberty University through our programs, resources, and events.

Living off campus means you are part of a larger community. Take this opportunity to become a contributing member of the Lynchburg community, as well as a good representative of Liberty University and Christ to your neighbors.

No matter where you live, you are a vital part of the Liberty family. We look forward to serving you. Again, congratulations on this milestone and welcome to #TeamLUCommuter!

Sincerely,

Bradley Milks
Director
Commuter Services

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READY TO MOVE OFF CAMPUS?  
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Liberty University enables students to not only excel professionally, but also to infuse culture with the richness of faith. We believe in a comprehensive education — in developing the whole person and freeing students to become capable leaders, family members, and citizens who live with integrity.

Our faith is what compels us to understand the world around us and to promote the pursuit of knowledge. Though Liberty’s global influence and academic acclaim continue to rise, the university is grounded in a commitment to Christ and the Christian intellectual tradition. Students here are not simply prepared for a vocation; they are prepared for life.

Be sure to check out Liberty’s [mission](#) and [doctrinal statement](#).

Whether it’s strolling through downtown Lynchburg, catching a [Hillcats](#) game, or riding on the [Blackwater Creek Bikeway](#), there is always something you can do!

One great way you can support your community is buying locally to ensure one-of-a-kind family businesses remain an integral part of the Lynchburg community. Check out [Buy Local Lynchburg](#).
APPLYING TO MOVE OFF CAMPUS

QUALIFICATIONS

Age: Be at least 21 years old by Dec. 31 for the fall semester, or May 31 for the spring semester.

Living with Family: Live with a parent or a sibling who is over the age of 21 and submit an Immediate Family Contract to the Office of Student Housing.

Married: Submit a Liberty Marriage Contract to the Office of Student Housing.

Medical Exemption: Submit Medical Exemption paperwork to the Office of Student Housing.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Apply online through ASIST under the “My Housing” section.

Once you have been approved, attend Commuter Orientation. Check the Commuter Services Web page for upcoming orientation dates and registration information at www.Liberty.edu/Commuter.

Commuter Services connects you to Liberty University through programs, services, and resources that enhance your academic, spiritual, and social development as a Christian, preparing you to positively impact the world.

Commuter Communities – Looking for a way to stay connected to other commuters? Off-campus groups meet all over Lynchburg. Let us know if you are interested in joining, leading, or hosting a Commuter Community!

Events – Watch your email for special events, giveaways, and promotions just for you (Events Schedule).

Commuter Newsletter – Stay connected by reading your Commuter Newsletter. The newsletter keeps you updated about on-and off-campus events.

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THINGS TO UNDERSTAND

WHAT KIND OF PROPERTY DO YOU WANT TO RENT?

• Apartment
• Town house
• Condo
• House
• Duplex
• Mobile home
• Room in private home
• Rental to share

Check out LU Apartment Finder to find a place to live!

TERMS OF LEASE

• Names of tenants* and landlord
• Address of rental unit
• Rules and regulations
• Amount of rent per month
• Date rent is due
• Security deposit details
• Right of entry
• Right to sublease
• Condition of unit
• Furniture provided and inventory
• List of needed repairs
• Responsibility for repairs

Local zoning ordinances may restrict the number of people who may live in any one dwelling or unit. For questions regarding your dwelling ordinances, please ask your landlord directly or contact the following:

• Lynchburg City Community Planning
• Campbell County Community Development
• Bedford County Department of Planning
HOMEWORK:

BEFORE YOU SIGN YOUR LEASE

• Inspect the property
• Talk to the current tenants and others who know the neighborhood
• Drive by the neighborhood at various times of day and night
• Research crime statistics for the area
• When sharing an apartment, house, or room with others get separate written leases. Joint and oral leases are legal in Virginia, but can cause headaches more often than not. Keep a copy for yourself!
• Ask questions, negotiate, and understand the terms of the lease. Ask about anything you do not understand. Confirming the lease protects your interests, not just the landlord’s. If changes are made, verify that they are included on all copies of the lease with all parties’ signatures.
• Subleasing requires written consent of the landlord

CAUTION: If the person you find to sublease your dwelling fails to pay rent or damages the apartment, it may ultimately be your responsibility.

THE CONSEQUENCES OF BREAKING YOUR LEASE

BEING TOO NOISY? HIDING A PET? WAITING WEEKS TO TAKE OUT YOUR GARBAGE?
It’s important to understand the terms and conditions of your lease. Consequences can vary depending upon your landlord. The following are examples of what can happen when you violate the terms of your lease:

5-DAY NOTICE
A 5-Day Notice to Pay or Vacate is given to tenants who are behind on their rent beyond the grace period. This notice serves as an official warning to the tenant to pay the amount due or vacate the premises before eviction charges are filed.

21/30 NOTICE
A 21/30 Notice is given to a tenant who has violated a nonrent-related provision of the lease or the Virginia Residential Landlord Tenant Act. This notice gives the tenant 21 days to fix the problem, 30 days to vacate the premises, or face eviction.

COMPARE COMMON TYPES OF LEASES

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<td>You can end the contract on short notice.</td>
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MOVING TIPS

MOVING IN:

1. RECORD ALL CURRENT DAMAGES IN WRITING ON DAY ONE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE LANDLORD.

2. UNDERSTAND YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES.

Tenant(s) need to...

- Abide by the terms of the lease.
- Remove trash in accordance with local statutes.
- Use utilities reasonably.
- Provide landlord access during normal working hours when given reasonable notice (at least 48 hours).
- Keep the premises safe and clean, and don’t allow property to be damaged through either negligence or deliberate act of violence.

Landlord needs to....

- Comply with all state and local codes and regulations governing maintenance, use, construction, and appearance of the dwelling.
- Maintain all electrical, plumbing, and other facilities provided in the lease.
- Make repairs and arrangements necessary to keep the dwelling and property in the same condition as it was at the beginning of the tenancy.
- Maintain and keep in good repair all furniture, fixtures, and equipment belonging to the landlord.

WHAT IF...

MY PROPERTY NEEDS REPAIRS?

- Identify the problem and determine who is responsible for the repair.
- Get proof of the problem.
- Give proper written notice to landlord to fix the problem.
- Allow a “reasonable time” of 30 days to repair. Only urgent heating, kitchen, or bathroom sanitation needs must be addressed within 24 hours.
- Take the landlord to court only if the repair is not done in a reasonable amount of time, your health or safety is at risk, or the landlord breaches the lease. General District Court can be contacted at (434) 847-1639.
- Pay rent to the court (means of legally withholding rent from the landlord).

I HAVE A DISAGREEMENT WITH MY LANDLORD?

Try to reach a civil agreement with your landlord and get all concessions in writing.

MOVING OUT:

1. CLEAN: LEAVE THE PROPERTY IN THE CONDITION YOU FOUND IT.

2. CHECK OUT: COMPLETE A DAMAGE CHECKLIST WITH YOUR LANDLORD.

3. ENSURE ALL BILLS ARE PAID: LEAVE A FORWARDING ADDRESS FOR MAIL AND YOUR SECURITY DEPOSIT.
Whether you live on or off campus, dwelling with others is an integral part of the college experience. One way to ensure successful relationships is to let your roommate(s) know your expectations while sharing a living space.

**BEFORE ROOMING WITH AN INDIVIDUAL, TALK ABOUT THESE THINGS:**

- **Study Habits** – Do you like to study in the morning? Will your roommate(s) want to study at night? Will you have quiet hours reserved for studying?
- **Cleanliness** – How clean do you like your living space? Does your roommate(s) have the same expectations regarding cleanliness that you do? Is a cleaning schedule needed?
- **Utilities** – What utilities are necessary for you and your roommate(s)? Will you need the Internet, cable, or telephone? How will these charges be paid?
- **Privacy** – Are others allowed into your bedroom? What level of privacy do you wish to maintain? What about your roommates? Do they expect a similar level of privacy?
- **Communicate** – Communication is key to a successful relationship. Be honest and respectful with one another, and do so in a polite manner. Do not allow minor issues to build. The result will inevitably lead to a larger issue.
OFF-CAMPUS SAFETY

1. SECURITY DEPOSIT
   To protect your security deposit against damage claims, complete a Damage Checklist and note the condition of carpets, appliances, walls, etc., before moving in. Make sure your landlord walks through with you and you both sign the form.

2. RENTER’S INSURANCE
   Consider purchasing renter’s insurance to protect your valuables. Renter’s insurance protects you in case of theft, personal injury while on your property, or natural disaster. Get a quote from your current car insurance carrier, check with your parents’ homeowners insurance, and then check with local insurance agents.

3. SAFETY IN NUMBERS
   Always let someone know where you are going and when you expect to return.

4. SECURE YOUR HOME AND CAR
   Keep your house and car doors locked, even when you are home. Secure all windows. Leave porch lights on at night.

5. STAY ALERT TO YOUR SURROUNDINGS
   • Be aware of your surroundings upon entering and exiting your home and car.
   • Have your key in hand when approaching your door.
   • Keep your car locked with valuables out of sight.
   • Make sure your cellphone is fully charged and easily accessible.
   • Trust your instincts. If it doesn’t feel right, avoid it.
   • Report suspicious people and/ or vehicles to the police.

ONE OF THE POSITIVE ASPECTS OF LIVING OFF CAMPUS IS HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE YOUR OWN BUDGET. Learning how to manage your finances can save you from frustrations in the future.

WHAT DO COLLEGE STUDENTS TYPICALLY OVERSPEND ON? FOOD. Learn the do’s and don’ts for spending money.

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<td>Make impulse buys</td>
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<td>Shop while hungry</td>
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<td>Cut coupons</td>
<td>Buy nonfood items at the grocery store</td>
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<td>Buy prepackaged meals</td>
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SHOP SMART

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<td>Look low: less expensive items are on the lower shelves</td>
<td>Take leftovers home</td>
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<td>Buy bulk: share purchases with roommates</td>
<td>Dine out less often</td>
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<td>Purchase meats and cheese by the pound: it’s cheaper</td>
<td>Skip expensive desserts and beverages</td>
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<td>Use frequent shopper discount programs</td>
<td>Buy store brands</td>
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DINE SMART
COMMUTING & PARKING

To park a motor vehicle or bicycle on Liberty University property, you must obtain a parking decal. The Liberty University Police Department (LUPD) is the only department with the authority to grant parking decals. “Authorization” from other departments to park on campus without a decal should be disregarded.

LUPD is authorized to remove, impound, or immobilize motor vehicles (at the registered owner’s expense) on the university’s property if the vehicle...

- Has an expired or no state registration (license plate) displayed.
- Creates an obstacle for firefighters or firefighting equipment.
- Inhibits the flow of traffic.
- Is parked illegally in a reserved or handicapped space.
- Is parked in any area not clearly marked as a parking space and/or has violated any of the parking rules and regulations.

ALL parking lots are subject to closure to students, faculty, and staff during special events.

For complete information regarding parking regulations and fees, contact the Liberty University Police Department. LUPD is located in the southwest corner of Green Hall. Normal business hours are Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

CAMPUS ALERT SYSTEM

Liberty University has implemented an emergency notification system that is used to alert you in the event of certain situations on campus. All members of the Liberty University community are strongly encouraged to sign up for the emergency alert system.

WHAT TYPE OF ALERTS WILL YOU RECEIVE?

- Life Threatening Situations
- Hazardous Material Situations
- Road Closings
- School Closings
- Severe Weather
- Fire
- School Closings
- Severe Weather

Users can select a different alert for each device (for example, road closings sent to email and school closing sent via text message).
SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

COMMUTER COMMUNITIES
offer mentorship to help you grow in obedience to Christ and provide opportunities for you to serve. These groups:

• Offer intentional support networks that seek to build community among commuter students who live, laugh, and pray together.
• Support positive leadership development and utilize leaders who will mentor commuters to grow in Christ.
• Bring commuter students together to serve their fellow students and the community.

CONVOCATION
is a platform that brings nationally and internationally known men and women to the Liberty stage on a weekly basis. Through Convocation, graduates are educated on a variety of subjects.

CAMPUS COMMUNITY
is a weekly gathering of college students who have a passion for Jesus. With various speakers, a Bible-centered environment, and powerful worship, Campus Community is something you won’t want to miss.

CAMPUS PASTORS OFFICE
exists to offer support and guidance for any student encountering a difficult situation, an immediate crisis, or a spiritual need.

Services Include:
• One-on-One Meetings
• Ministry Groups
• Prayer Center
• Celebrate Recovery
LIBERTY UNIVERSITY’S
STUDENT CODE
OF CONDUCT

Liberty provides an environment of honesty, integrity, and sexual purity. Students are expected to uphold the university’s code of conduct, the Liberty Way, which is not merely a list of rules and regulations for students to obey, but is a guide that promotes healthy student development.

Student Conduct, located in the Dean of Students Office, facilitates student development by upholding the Liberty Way and addressing incidents of misconduct in a caring, just, and restorative manner. Additionally, Student Conduct offers a variety of educational programs designed to help students become Champions for Christ.

COMMUTER MEAL PLANS

Remembering to make a meal every day can become an overwhelming task, especially if your day is full of classes and your nights are reserved for working. To make meal planning easier, consider purchasing a Commuter Meal Plan from Dining Services and eat on campus! Enjoy over 22 dining locations and a variety of meal plans.

FLAMES PASS

The Flames Pass is your official Liberty University ID and the key to many services and activities both on and off campus. Be sure to get your Flames Pass when you become part of the Liberty family! Your Flames Pass* gives you access to:

- Flames Cash
- Meal Plans
- Student Discounts
- Campus Events and Recreation
- The Liberty Mountain Snowflex Centre
- Recreational & Academic Buildings
- The LaHaye Student Union & LaHaye Ice Center

*The privileges that your Flames Pass gives you are dependent on your classification (staff/faculty, residential student, or online student).
### SPRING 2016

#### ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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