

# Sophomore Release for Fall 2010-2011

Attention all residence hall students

A limited number (250) of current residence hall students who WILL be sophomores/second year students NEXT Fall will be able to be administratively released to live off-campus for the 2010 - 2011 academic year and beyond. The UW System requirement that freshmen and sophomores live on-campus (unless they meet criteria and submit paperwork to be exempt) will remain in force, but a limited "window of opportunity" to be granted a "sophomore release" will occur beginning October 30th and continue until the designated number has been reached.

Our CURRENT occupancy projections indicate that we need to release approximately 250 sophomores / second year students in order to have spaces for incoming students, transfer students, and continuing students who want to remain in the residence halls (other sophomores, juniors and seniors). The projected occupancy for Fall, 2010 relies on several variables -- the number of incoming new students who submit Housing applications, the number of incoming new students who ultimately come to UWP, transfers, current residents who want to return, etc. We may be in a position to announce additional releases at a later time, but one cannot assume that.

This administrative release is ONLY needed for those who will be sophomores / second year students next Fall and want to be released from the sophomore component of the on-campus residency requirement. Those students who will be juniors or seniors or who have been out of High School for at least 2 years do not need to seek release nor use this process. Those students are eligible to live off-campus and may simply plan to do so if they desire.

The process for this "sophomore release" is:

1. Go to the Student Housing Office in Royce Hall to complete the Administrative Release Form. You may do this between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
2. For this administrative release, no reasons, parent signature, etc. are required.
3. Please be advised that once you have signed the release form you may not change your mind and sign-up to live in a residence hall next Fall.
4. This is to inform you that Student Housing Office personnel will not spend time talking to parents of students who are not happy with their student's choice to move off-campus. We will not entertain requests from parents nor students to reverse the release. Those callers will be referred to speak with their student who is the one who sought the release. No one is being forced to seek this release.
5. We do not know how long this window of opportunity will be in effect. It could take a couple of days or a few weeks to reach the designated number. We will attempt to provide an update as we get close to the designated number.

Each year is different -- do not make the mistake of assuming what will or won't happen based on previous years. Read to be informed -- you are each responsible for being in compliance. If you have questions, do not rely on your friend or someone you know to provide the answers. YOU are responsible for knowing and honoring the UWP responsibilities as a student. The information contained in this e-mail will also be placed on the Student Housing website. Review

materials carefully and if you still have questions, contact the Student Housing Office at [342-1845](tel:342-1845), e-mail [housing@uwplatt.edu](mailto:housing@uwplatt.edu), or stop by the office in Royce Hall.

For your information, there is a Rental Resources Office that is located in the Pioneer Involvement Center (PIC) of the Pioneer Student Center. It provides a listing service for local landlords, roommate needed listings, and general rental information and resources. These listings are posted on the Rental Resources Office website. That office is sponsoring a "Rental Resources Housing Fair" on Wednesday, Nov. 11th from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. in the University Rooms of the PSC. Students may stop by anytime throughout the times listed and visit with local landlords to see and discuss available rental properties.

Other off-campus rental resources include ads in the Exponent, Platteville Journal, and Shopping News. Check notices on campus bulletin boards that list available apartments and roommates or sublets needed. There is a specific bulletin board for rentals, roommates, sublets located across from the Pioneer Perk in the PSC. Contact local real estate companies to see if they have rentals. Drive or walk around town and look for signs indicating apartments / houses for rent. Ask your friends / classmates if they know of places that are available for rent. Get together with other people in a similar situation and seek off-campus housing. We hope these ideas are useful.

Please do not reply to this e-mail as it is not its intent to become a method for questions and answers. This is utilized for mass communication with all residence hall students. No responses will be provided. Thanks for your understanding.