

New International Student Move-in Spring 2026

If you have questions before you arrive, please contact Housing at (269) 387-4735 or WMU-housing@wmich.edu.

Where you are living	Move-in date	How to check in
Residence Halls (multiple buildings)	January 8 May arrive any time after 9 a.m.	Contact housing staff when you arrive. See residence hall information on next page.
Arcadia Flats Apartments	January 9	Arrive between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to get your key at the Housing and Residence Life office. The office is located on the top floor of Faunce Student Services . If you are not able to check in on January 9 during the check-in hours, you will need to stay at a hotel until January 12. The housing office is closed January 10 and 11.
Spindler Hall	January 9	
Stadium Drive Apartments	January 9	
Western View Apartments	January 9	

General Information: <https://wmich.edu/housing/spring#movein>

Student Identification Card (ID)

Please go to Parking Services during regular business hours to get your student ID card. Parking Services business hours are Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. or Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. To expedite the process, a photo can be submitted at least 24 hours in advance. Most buildings require using your student ID to enter, so we recommend getting your ID the day you arrive.

Problems with your room or apartment

- **Residence halls:** If you have any concerns with your room upon arrival, please speak with the hall director or graduate assistant. They can be found in the hall office or by contacting the number posted on the front doors. Custodial is on standby to assist, and maintenance can be contacted.
- **Apartments:** If you have any custodial concerns with your room/apartment upon arrival, please contact custodial immediately after arriving. Information on how to contact custodial will be available. Any other concerns can go to a resident manager or the housing office. Custodial is on standby to assist, and maintenance can be contacted.

Room/Apartment Inventory

After you check-in, you will complete the online room/apartment inventory found in the [housing portal](#). This documents the state of your room, furniture, etc. upon arrival. When you move out, housing staff compare the inventory to the room/apartment's move-out condition to determine if damages happened. Room inventories are due a few days after you move in.

Cold or discolored water

Buildings have been unoccupied for multiple weeks during winter break. Due to this, the water may be discolored and cold. If the water is cold, run it until it gets warm. If the water is discolored, it is sediment that settled in the pipes. It will go away once the water is run for a few minutes.

Connecting to WiFi and the Internet

Once you get into your room/apartment, register your computer or phone on the wireless network.

Residence Hall Information:

When you are ready to move in on Jan 8:

1. Contact housing staff when you are on the way to campus. **Call or text (269) 217-1454, or use [WhatsApp](#).** At least 15 minutes advance notice allows someone to get your key and meet you at your building. These contact numbers are for use January 8 only.
2. When you call, staff will ask for your Western Identification Number (WIN). Your admission/welcome email will have your WIN on it if you need that information. We will use it to confirm your housing assignment.
3. If you arrive at your building before housing staff, please wait outside. Doors are currently locked.
4. If you are arriving after Jan. 8, please call the number posted on the main door of your building.

Early arrival charges

You will be charged for arriving prior to the start of the housing contract, which is Saturday, January 10, 2026. The charge is billed to your student account.

- Western Heights: Cost is \$50.00 per night
- Other residence halls: Cost is \$40.00 per night

Building access

Your WMU student identification card (ID) is needed to enter your building. Doors unlock when you slide your ID in a card reader at the main door and inside security doors (Henry Hall residents hold their ID up to the reader). Housing staff will let you into the building when you arrive. A temporary ID will be loaned for 24 hours, allowing you time to get your ID card. If you lose the temporary card or do not give it back to staff in 24 hours, your student account will be charged for the temporary card.

To get your ID card, submit a photo online at <https://photo.wmupd.wmich.edu> at least 24 hours before you arrive. Your ID card will be available to be picked up at the Parking Services building Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. or Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Linens

Housing has a small supply of basic linens available to those that need them when arriving: 2 flat sheets, 1 pillow case, 1 bath towel, 1 hand towel. There are no pillows or blankets available. There is no charge for the linens but they are meant for temporary use. You should be buying your own items once you are able.

Mini-refrigerator

Small refrigerators are available to rent. The units come with a refrigerator, freezer and microwave. If you want one, notify housing staff when you arrive or during your first week. They will help you with the [online order form](#). If a unit is available, they will bring it to your room that day. If not, one will be delivered within 5 days. There is a charge for renting an EcoMax (mini-refrigerator).



Meal Plan

If you have a meal plan as part of your Housing and Dining contract, food service will begin Monday, January 12, 2026 at campus dining locations. You will need to provide your own food until your meal plan starts.

Contacting staff

If you need assistance, housing staff is available. Phone numbers are posted on the main door and at the front desk.