

RESIDENCE HALL OPENING AND CLOSING SCHEDULE

Guilford College

*This timeline applies to all on-campus residence hall facilities and all residential students. **Residential Education & Housing strictly enforces the check-in and check-out procedures and schedule as follows.** Closing notices are emailed to students 2-3 weeks prior to break and the end of each semester. Please refer to your Residential Contract for more information.*

***3- and 12-week Sessions and Housing:** Beginning with the 2019-2020 Academic Year, Fall and Spring Terms will be split into 3- and 12-week sessions (see [Academic Calendars](#)) during which students will typically be enrolled in one class during the 3-week session and multiple classes during the 12-week session. **Students who are not enrolled in a 3-week session class are NOT permitted to reside in their residence hall during that period of time.** If you are not enrolled in the 3-week session in the Fall, you will not be permitted to check-in until the Friday before the 12-week session begins; if you are not enrolled in the 3-week session in the Spring, you will be required to vacate the residence halls by 3pm the day following the end of the 12-week session; see specific schedule below.

****Thanksgiving and Spring Breaks:** Guilford College residence halls officially close during these breaks. Students who need to remain on-campus may do so free of charge but must register with Residential Education & Housing, links to online registration are shared prior to each of these breaks. Services (including dining) are limited or not available during these breaks. See [Guilford Dining](#) for hours.

*****Winter Break and end of Spring Term:** Students are not permitted to remain in the halls during Winter Break or after their respective closing deadlines at the end of the Spring Term. All students must vacate by their respective deadline. See also "Storage and Occupancy" below. Students found in the residence halls after their deadline to vacate will incur a fine of \$50 per hour or part thereof that they or their belongings remain in the halls past their deadline and may face student conduct charges and immediate removal from campus. (International students and students required to be on-campus by the College are the only possible exceptions and must seek prior approval from Residential Education & Housing. Approval is not guaranteed.)

******Fall and Term Breaks:** The residence halls will remain open and meal plans will remain active during the four-day “Term Breaks” between the 3- and 12-week periods of the Fall Term and the 12- and 3-week periods of the Spring Term as well as the shorter Fall Break.

| Fall 2019 | |
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| Sunday, August 18, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residence halls open for new and transfer students at 8:30AM. • CHECK-IN FOR NEW AND TRANSFER STUDENTS, 8:30AM-12:00PM, Founders Hall. • WEEK OF WELCOME FOR NEW AND TRANSFER STUDENTS BEGINS, see additional details on the new student webpage. |
| Monday, August 19, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residence halls open for returning and readmitted students at 8AM. • CHECK-IN FOR RETURNING AND READMITTED STUDENTS, 8AM-5PM, Founders Hall. |
| Tuesday, August 20, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHECK-IN (continued) FOR RETURNING AND READMITTED STUDENTS, 8AM-5PM, Founders Hall. |
| Thursday, September 12, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term Break begins.**** |
| Friday, September 13, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHECK-IN FOR STUDENTS WHO WERE NOT ENROLLED IN FALL 3-WEEK SESSION, 8AM-5PM, Founders Hall.* |
| Sunday, September 15, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term Break ends.**** |
| Saturday, October 26, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Break begins.**** |
| Tuesday, October 29, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Break ends.**** |
| Friday, November 22, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE for Thanksgiving Break at 3PM.** |
| Sunday, December 1, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving Break ends and RESIDENCE HALLS REOPEN at 9AM. |
| Saturday, December 21, 2019 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE at 10AM. All students must vacate the halls.*** |

| Spring 2020 | |
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| Saturday, January 11, 2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESIDENCE HALLS OPEN for Spring Semester at 9AM • CHECK-IN FOR NEW AND TRANSFER STUDENTS, 9:00AM-10:30AM in Founders Hall. Orientation for New and Transfer Students begins. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHECK-IN FOR RETURNING AND READMITTED STUDENTS WHO WERE NOT ON-CAMPUS IN THE FALL, 9AM-12PM in Founders Hall. |
| Sunday, January 12, 2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHECK-IN (continued) FOR RETURNING AND READMITTED STUDENTS WHO WERE NOT ON-CAMPUS IN THE FALL, 2PM-4PM in Founders Hall. |
| Friday, March 6, 2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE for Spring Break at 3PM.** |
| Sunday, March 15, 2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring Break ends and RESIDENCE HALLS REOPEN at 9AM. |
| Saturday, April 18, 2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DEADLINE TO VACATE FOR STUDENTS NOT ENROLLED IN SPRING 3-WEEK SESSION at 3PM.* • Term Break begins.**** |
| Tuesday, April 21, 2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term Break ends.**** |
| Thursday, May 14, 2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE at 3PM for ALL STUDENTS except for graduating seniors and marshals/choir members who are directly involved with commencement ceremonies.*** |
| Saturday, May 16, 2020 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RESIDENCE HALLS CLOSE at 8PM for graduating seniors and marshals/choir members who were directly involved with commencement ceremonies.*** |

STORAGE AND OCCUPANCY:

- Students returning from Fall Semester to the following Spring Semester may leave belongings in their assigned rooms over the Winter Break, but must make sure the room is secured and take valuables and necessities with them as they will not have access to the room over the Winter Break.
- The College is not able to accommodate the storage of personal belongings in the residence halls between Summer session and Fall Semester, after a student has left Guilford at the end of any term, or after a student withdraws from the College. Items belonging to the student will be considered abandoned property if left in the residence hall past the student's respective deadline to vacate, and are subject to disposal by the College in the manner deemed most appropriate by the College at the expense of the student. There may be options for storage Spring Semester and Summer session, but requests must be made in advance and are not guaranteed to be granted.
- Students who are leaving Guilford at the end of any term (including but not limited to those enrolled in the first 5-week Summer session and not enrolled in the second, graduating, studying abroad the next term, etc.) must remove all belongings, return the room and its furnishing to the original condition, and check-out by the established, respective closing date/time. Students found in the residence halls after their deadline to vacate will incur a fine of \$50 per hour or part thereof that they or their belongings remain the halls.

EARLY ARRIVALS & STAYOVERS:

Students are not permitted to move into campus housing prior to their respective check-in times or stay over during breaks as outlined (except for Thanksgiving and Spring Breaks if registered). Some exceptions may apply at the discretion of Residential Education & Housing for extenuating circumstances. Individual students or student groups will be notified. Individuals who are granted explicit permission from Residential Education & Housing to arrive early or stay over breaks may not host any guests in the residence halls and may not allow other students to access the residence halls. In such cases, students may be immediately removed from housing, face student conduct charges, and jeopardize the group's future access to the halls.