University Housing

Mission
University Housing complements the mission of the University through intentional programs, services, and facilities that promote educational and personal development of campus residents. With NC State faculty and other campus partners, University Housing creates enriched living and learning environments. Living on campus is a unique and integral part of students’ educational experiences. Students living on campus:

- Create dynamic residential communities that embrace diversity.
- Have opportunities for leadership, self-governance and civic engagement.
- Expand individual responsibility and achieve personal growth.
- Experience living and learning in a technology-rich environment.
- Develop a strong connection to NC State University.

History
Originally built in 1896, Watauga Hall served as the university’s first residence hall. Following World War I, Syme, Gold, Welch, Bagwell, Becton, and Berry halls provided housing for returning war veterans. Alexander, Turlington, Tucker and Owen halls accommodated the influx of students after World War II. As NC State’s population grew the university added E.S. King Village apartments for married students, Bragaw, Lee, Sullivan, Bowen, Carroll and Metcalf halls. John Yancey Hotel became North Hall in 1979, and Wood Hall opened in 1983. The former Mission Valley Inn (now Avent Ferry Complex) converted to student housing in 1994. Wolf Village Apartments opened in 2005, and additional housing is under construction on Centennial Campus.

People
- 107 professional and support staff
- 20 residence directors (graduate assistants), and 205 resident advisors (undergraduate student staff)
- 200 community assistants, summer conference assistants and facilities staff (undergrad student staff)

Activities
A residence hall is more than just a place to sleep and study. Students participate in self-governance and social, educational, cultural, and health-related activities outside the classroom. Living among peers prepares residents for life after graduation, as they develop and practice communication, collaboration and negotiation. University Housing partners with other units in the Division to provide nine Living and Learning Villages; students pursue their academic goals alongside mentors, professors, and others with similar interests. Village life has a positive impact on student retention, academic success and student development.

Facilities
- Housing capacity 8,568; 57% men, 43% women in 2011, 63 buildings; 2,224,928 square feet

Participation
Student staff undergo extensive training, working with staff advisors through a process of self-discovery, leadership development, and contribution to the quality of life campus life.

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