

Hi Ranger!

Welcome to UW-Parkside! We are glad you have decided to join Ranger Nation and we look forward to having you become a member of our Housing & Residence Life family. UW-Parkside offers you the opportunity to gain specific knowledge for a career of your choice, as well as providing valuable leadership experiences. The University residence halls and campus apartments are an integral part of the educational experience at Parkside and research has proven students who live on campus generally achieve higher GPAs and a higher graduation rate than students who commute or live off campus.

Living on campus will provide you with the opportunity to meet new friends; get involved in campus activities; study where you reside; have access to computer labs as well as free wireless internet service in your room; enjoy your choice of a variety of quality food options; utilize free recreational facilities, and have a convenient, short walk to all university buildings. You will have a lot of support available to you while living on campus. UW-Parkside housing is an economical and quality housing choice!

Please keep in mind, UW-Parkside has a residency requirement: If you plan on commuting from home, you will need to review the specific details of the Residency Requirement via the UW-Parkside Housing & Residence Life website to ensure you are adhering to the policy. The Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System requires that all students with 54 or fewer credits live in University operated housing during the academic year. Exceptions are made for students who meet one of the following criteria; Military veterans who have served full time active duty, married, have legal custody of a child/children, have turned 21 years of age prior to the start of the academic year, or have permission to commute from a parent or legal guardian's home if within the approved commuter radius of 40 miles.

Enclosed is our "Living on Campus" informational material designed to help introduce you to UW-Parkside housing. You will also find information about living options in our communities and dining plans offered at UW-Parkside. More information is available on our website.

Your next step will be to complete the UW-Parkside Housing Contract on-line at: [uwp.edu/housingsteps](http://uwp.edu/housingsteps)

To complete your housing contract, you will need your Parkside email user name and password. Once your contract is complete, you will be directed to a confirmation page you can print for your records. This page will also contain information on how to pay your contract fee.

It is our desire to meet the needs of our students so you can enjoy a successful academic and quality living experience while attending UW-Parkside. When you ask Parkside alumni to identify some of their best memories while attending the University, they often mention their experience living in the residence halls and campus apartments.

We look forward to having you live on campus where you will begin making your own positive memories. I encourage you to apply as early as possible. Keep in mind, room assignments are prioritized based upon date of application. If you need any additional information or have questions, please contact the Department of Housing & Residence Life at 262-595-2320; my staff or I will be happy to assist you.

Again, congratulations on choosing UW-Parkside, you made an excellent choice! I look forward to meeting you when you come to campus!

**Go Rangers!**

Steve Wallner

Dean of Students

**Major in you.**

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