

ROOM BUYOUT POLICY

ROOM BUYOUT: The Office of Housing & Residential Life reserves the right to consolidate any student with vacancy within all living units on campus. Residents who find themselves in a room without a roommate, for whatever reason, may be offered the following options:

- Move to another room to fill vacancy.
- Accept a roommate who is also being required to consolidate.
- "Buyout" the room at a premium rate.

Room Buyout: Depending on the total resident population, the needs of incoming Maritime students and available spaces, students may be offered a "buyout" option. By this, residents may opt to "buyout" the vacant assignment(s) in their room, alleviating them from the chance of having other students assigned to that space for one semester. This option is only available after the two week room freeze period and comes at an additional cost.

POLICIES

- We have a first come, first serve policy. Therefore, approval of "buyout" request is not automatic.
- After the two week room freeze period that occurs at the beginning of each semester, residents with vacancies in their room will be given the option of "buying out" those unassigned spaces in that room at an additional cost.
- Students who are eligible for a "Room Buyout" will be notified by the OHRL office.
- Residents who have bought out the room will be permitted to arrange furniture in their room to their liking. However, students will not be allowed to loft their beds. Additionally, the second set of furniture provided in the student bedroom cannot be removed. Students who remove room furniture may be charged the replacement value of the furniture and may face student conduct action.
- Should a "buyout" be granted for the fall semester, it is not guaranteed for the spring semester.
- Rooms will default to open doubles/triples at the end of each semester. Therefore, students should prepare the room back to its original configuration in preparation for a roommate once the semester has ended.
- A student cannot "buyout" an entire suite.
- Residents who engage in conduct designed or intended to dissuade or intimidate other students from moving into a room or who otherwise attempt to manipulate the housing assignment process may be subject to conduct action. This includes not responding to phone, e-mail or other attempts to make contact.

ELIGIBILITY

- First Year/Incoming students will not be given the option of "buying out" the space in a room at an additional cost. *Exceptions made to the eligibility requirements are rare -all pertaining departments will have input regarding exceptions*
- Only upperclassmen residents with vacancies in their room will be given the option of "buying out" the space in that room at an additional cost.
- If a student has a roommate(s), they cannot "buy out" their room. Students unsure of a roommate assigned status should log into their housing *Symplicity* account and select Roommates to see a list of roommate(s) after the two week room freeze period.
- Building limitations will still apply.

COST

- Current rate listed on SUNY Maritime housing website.
- In the event a "Room Buyout" occur mid-semester, the cost may be pro-rated based on the week a student commits to.



Room Buyout Request

(Full Name)

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understand the following terms of the "Room Buyout":

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 The cost for a the room "buyout" will be added to the student account. This cost reflects the charge of a traditional single room.
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Signature

Date

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Submitted

OHRL Authorization Signature

Date of Approval