

FIRST YEAR LIVE-ON REQUIREMENT AND DINING PROGRAM ARMSTRONG ATLANTIC STATE UNIVERSITY

Armstrong Atlantic State University offers students the opportunity to live in Windward Commons, a state-of-the-art residence hall that will open August 2010. This facility is a 567 bed suite-style residence hall with private bedrooms designed as private and semi-private suites. We have designed this facility with small community groupings and living-learning experiences because at Armstrong Atlantic State University our belief is that students living on campus tend to earn better grades, tend to graduate at a higher rate and finish college sooner than their non-resident counterparts. We believe that living on campus provides students with close proximity to services and programs and significantly helps with success in the first year. For these reasons, Armstrong Atlantic State University will require incoming freshmen to live on-campus ***beginning with those students entering summer 2010***, but, with the exception of new freshman students, housing is not guaranteed. It is based on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For students considering attending Armstrong Atlantic State University please be aware of the live-on and dining program requirement. Unless the student is married, a custodial parent of a dependent child, become 21 years of age prior to the first day of the semester entering, only enrolled in on-line classes, active military, or reside with a parent or guardian in Chatham, Bryan, Effingham or Liberty counties all freshman students will be required to live on campus. This policy applies to undergraduate students entering Armstrong Atlantic State University for the first time who have less than 30 hours of accepted college credit.

Students transferring to AASU with fewer than 30 completed hours of college credit accepted by the University are also required to live on campus. Credits earned through CLEP, AP, or hours earned through concurrent enrollment or similar opportunities may not be part of the 30 completed hours for required living on campus. Transfer students may be allowed to live in one of the apartment communities should Windward Commons be filled when they apply.

Students who wish to apply for an exemption to the First Year Live-On Requirement may access the online form. **Please note: Even if you qualify for an exemption, you MUST complete the Request for Exemption from Requirement and submit it to Housing & Residence Life no later than thirty (30) days prior to the first class day of the term of which the exemption is requested.**

Should you decide that you wish to request an exemption, it may be for the following reason(s):

- Married (must provide copy of marriage license)
- Custodial parent of dependent children (must provide a copy of the certificate of birth and custody decree documentation)
- 21 years of age or older (prior to the first day of the semester entering (must provide a copy of your driver's license)
- Student has completed 30 or more hours of college credit accepted by AASU. CLEP, AP, or hours earned through concurrent enrollment or similar opportunities are not applicable in the 30 hours.
- Student enrolled in **ONLY** on-line classes.
- Active military (must provide copy of military identification or orders)

County Residency Opt-Out Description

Students who live in the Savannah Metro Area (Chatham, Bryan, Effingham, and Liberty County) may opt out from the First Year Live-On Requirement.

1. Students who are eligible must live in one of the following counties:
Chatham, Bryan, Effingham or Liberty County
2. Student must reside with their parent/legal guardian in the principle place of residence for their entire first year of enrollment.
 - a. Student who begins enrollment in the summer semester-summer, fall and spring semesters of their first year of enrollment.
 - b. Student who begins enrollment in the fall semester-fall and springs semesters of their first year of enrollment.
 - c. Student who begins enrollment in the spring semester-just spring semester of

their first year of enrollment.

3. Both the student and his/her parent/legal guardian must sign and abide by the terms of the Opt Out Form.

Students are responsible for the accuracy of all information provided to the University. If information is found to be inaccurate the student will be referred to the University Student Code of Conduct with sanctions that may include revocation of student status at Armstrong Atlantic State University.

You can download the Request for Exemption from Requirement and/or Opt Out Form here and submit it in person, via fax, or mail to Housing & Residence Life, Armstrong Center, Suite 10, 11935 Abercorn Street, Savannah, GA 31419.

[Request for Exemption from Requirement form \(click here\)](#)

[Opt Out Form \(click here\)](#)

Special Consideration

Special consideration request(s) that are outside the areas for exemption may be submitted to the Vice President of Student Affairs. This request will require documentation and information that should accompany the Request for Exemption from Requirement. Completed forms must be sent to Housing & Residence Life at the above address. AASU reserves the right to approve or deny the request based on the established criteria and/or if supporting documentation is not attached.