Your Support Network

Each residence has a full-time Residence Life Supervisor who works closely with a dedicated team of senior students known as Residence Dons. Our residence staff is committed to creating a community built on mutual respect, learning and growth. Team members are trained to assist students with any problems that may arise. They offer support to residents and are on-site to lend a hand with anything from roommate issues to emergencies. The residence staff also plans educational, social, cultural and athletic events throughout the year with the interests of our residents in mind.

At Your Service

Is your door sticking? Don’t know how to work your thermostat? Our excellent maintenance staff are here to help you. Although students are responsible for the cleanliness of their individual suites or houses, our maintenance staff ensures that common areas in the building are clean and comfortable, equipment is working and maintenance requests are responded to quickly and efficiently.

Academic Support

Your academic success is important to us. Throughout the year, our Academic Dons and other residence staff host study groups and events in collaboration with campus academic support services to ensure that you are getting the support you need!
Earn While You Learn

Earn money on a flexible student schedule. Our supervisors understand that academics are your top priority and we want to see you succeed. That’s why we offer employment opportunities such as caretaker or office assistants that work with your student schedule.

Get Involved

Getting involved in your residence and your campus community is a great way to quickly make your new surroundings your home. Involvement takes many forms, so come out and participate or take the lead.

Residents’ Council

Participating in Residents’ Council or one of their committees is a great way to meet people and build leadership skills at the same time. Here are some of the ways you can get involved:

• act as your floor or section rep on Council;
• join a committee (social, athletics, yearbook, community action);
• come to an event and simply join in the fun; or
• share your great ideas for an event or program with our residence staff and we’ll help you get started.

Campus Life

Residence is part of the larger university community and we encourage you to get involved in activities outside of residence as well. Other opportunities include participation in:

• university clubs and special events;
• intramural and varsity sports;
• Near North Voices University-Community choir;
• Nipissing Athletic Centre;
• NUSU events and activities; and more!

Suite/Housemate Matching

Our residence team makes every effort to place students with similar interests, lifestyles and study habits together. You will be asked to fill out your residence application honestly and completely so that suitable matches can be made. Our residences are all-gender. You will have the opportunity to request a single gender or all-gender suite on your application.

Even if you don’t qualify for our residence guarantee, we welcome your application. You will be considered if there are vacancies.

Residence Orientation

Orientation takes place before classes begin. You’ll have plenty of opportunity to meet your roommates, Residence Life Supervisor, Residence Don, Residents’ Council executives, and other staff in the building. Discussions will take place on a variety of residence-related topics. Orientation also includes activities such as BBQs, scavenger hunts, movies and other events designed to introduce you to residence, the campus, and the community.

Living Learning Communities

Nipissing University is excited to offer four vibrant Living Learning Communities (LLC). A Living Learning Community is the integration of students who share similar interests into a residence community with programming and support from within the university and community.

CONNECT aims to help students become citizens of the world through intercultural awareness, music, art, language, and an introduction to a variety of campus, community, and global resources.

BALANCE takes a holistic approach to all aspects of health and wellness. This community promotes a healthy lifestyle, with the focus on your physical, social and emotional well-being.

LEAD (Leaders Emerging through Active Development) is for students who love to be involved and are passionate about leadership, learning and motivating others.

MOSAIC is an outlet for your creative side, and will connect students who have a strong interest in artistic expression and cultural awareness with students who have a passion for media, music, and design.

For more information on LLCs visit nipissingu.ca/residence
Two Styles of Accommodations

Suite-Style
Each furnished suite accommodates four students with single rooms and features a kitchen with fridge and stove, a living room and two full bathrooms. There are three suite-styled residences – Founders House, Chancellors House and Governors House. Founders and Chancellors Houses are located at the bottom of the College Drive hill. It's a short walk or a three-minute bus ride from these residences to your classes. Governors House is located across from the athletics facilities, at the top of the hill.

Townhouse-Style
Townhouse-style residences are located beside the main academic building at the top of College Drive and accommodate six students to a house. Built on two levels, a furnished townhouse has a kitchen with a fridge and stove, a living room, three bedrooms and a two-piece bathroom on the main floor. The upper level contains three more bedrooms, a full four-piece bathroom and an open loft space. Typically townhouse-style residences are reserved for returning upper-year students.

We have some of the best residences in the province! Regardless of which building you are assigned, we're confident you'll feel right at home soon after you arrive.
In-Residence Features

• Wired and wireless Internet
• Basic cable TV service provided in all bedrooms, common rooms and student lounges
• Telephone with local service and voicemail included in each bedroom
• Mail delivery to each complex
• Common lounges and study rooms
• Individual house/suite climate controls
• Vending machine areas
• Games room in most complexes
• Laundry rooms located in each complex
• ATMs

You’re Connected

Wireless internet access is provided throughout all residence buildings. As well, a wired internet connection and a telephone are offered in all bedrooms. There is no hook-up charge and basic services including voicemail are included.

What Do I Pack?

You need to bring your bed linens, dishes, cooking utensils and any personal items you will want to help make your room feel like home. More information is shared with students prior to their arrival and you’ll have an opportunity to connect with your new roommates so that you can coordinate shared items.

Meal Plans

All suites and townhouses feature full kitchens, so preparing your own meals in residence is easy, however, you can also choose to purchase an optional meal card. The decision to purchase one is entirely up to you. You can get a declining balance card from our campus caterer, in a variety of denominations, or you can choose to cook your meals at home. Please note that the cafeteria is open Monday to Friday and not available on weekends or holidays. Students will need to prepare their own meals on weekends.

Our residence staff, in conjunction with the Residents’ Councils, organize a variety of fun events to suit all interests such as potluck suppers, skating parties, athletic events, movie nights, coffee houses and a winter carnival.
Once you receive your assigned room placement in residence, you have two options for payment to choose from: a one-time full payment of all residence fees for the academic year (due in September), or the instalment payment plan of two payments during the year (due September and January).

Transportation Made Easy

Travelling from campus to anywhere in North Bay is as easy as showing your student card! A city transit pass is included as part of your student incidental fees. Buses run about every 15 minutes during the school day and every half-hour in the evening.

Parking is available at all of our residences and elsewhere on campus. Parking passes must be purchased and arranged through the security office. Plug-in parking is available at an additional cost (not available for purchase until end of October). Bicycles can be stored at one of the many bike racks found out front of the residence complexes—just bring a lock! If you’re worried about the weekly trip to the grocery store, you won’t need a car. Just hop on our grocery bus, which runs weekly and provides door to door service!

Campus Safety

Campus Security patrols the campus on a 24-hour basis. The campus is well lit. There are emergency phones located on paths and in parking lots. Most common areas are monitored by video surveillance cameras. Students also have access to a campus walk program.

Download the Nipissing Safe app on your mobile device to receive important safety alerts and instant access to safety resources including the virtual walk home feature.

How do I apply?

Residence applications are available through the online eRezLife site. Once you receive an offer of admission from the Registrar’s Office you will then have access to the online residence application. To access your residence application please visit nipissing.erezlife.com.

The first time you visit eRezLife, you will be required to create an eRezLife account. To create an account, you will need to enter your first name and the last six digits of your Nipissing University student ID number. A temporary password will be sent to the email address that you provided us on your OUAC application.

If you have not provided us with a valid email address and would like to apply for residence, please contact the Residence Admissions Office directly at residence@nipissingu.ca.

If you have any questions during the application process please contact the Residence Admissions Office at 705-474-3450 ext. 4855 or via email at residence@nipissingu.ca. Application information is also available at www.nipissingu.ca/residence.

Residence applicants must be entering full-time studies. Applications received from students enrolled in part-time studies will be considered if there are vacancies, and must meet application and deposit deadlines to guarantee your spot. All residence guarantees are conditional. Students must meet full-time acceptance criteria as outlined by the Office of the Registrar. Other applicants shall be offered residence if space permits.
Estimate of Fees

Below is the 2020-2021 North Bay Residence Rate Schedule. The 2021-2022 Rate Schedule is determined in late spring by Nipissing University’s Board of Governors. Current information is posted on the website as it becomes available. The schedule below is subject to change and is intended only to give you an estimate of the fees associated with living in residence.

Total Cost for North Bay Residence in 2020-2021 (per person)
Includes wired and wireless internet, basic cable TV and local telephone service with voicemail.

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*A refundable $100.00 damage/cleaning deposit is held on account throughout a student’s term in residence. Upon final checkout, an assessment is done of the student’s accommodation and any damages/cleaning charges will be assessed against this deposit.

Important Dates

| January 15          | Residence applications become available online through nipissingerezlife.com |
| June 1 Residence Application and Deposit Due | Deadline for all HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANTS: Residence is guaranteed to first-year full-time students who have applied directly from high school, and who have completed the residence application and paid the $400 residence deposit (which includes a $25 application fee and a $100 damage deposit) on or before this date. Applications received after this date are automatically placed on the residence waiting list and are not guaranteed. |
|                     | The residence deposit can be paid by cheque, money order or online through your own bank. Payments in the form of a cheque or money order should be made payable to Nipissing University and include the student’s full name and student number. Residence deposits should be mailed to: Nipissing University Student Financial Services 100 College Drive, P.O. Box 5002 North Bay, ON, Canada P1B 8L7 Cancelled applications are eligible for refund, less the $25 application fee. Once a student has received any notice of placement, only the $100 damage deposit is eligible for refund. |
| August               | You’ll receive your residence assignment package from the Residence Admissions Office with the name of the complex to which you’ve been assigned, move-in dates and your new mailing address. You’ll also receive the names and contact info of your assigned roommates. We encourage you to contact your roommates prior to moving day to learn more about one another! You’ll reduce move-in anxiety and be able to avoid duplicating any items you may share such as pots, pans, televisions and microwaves. |
| Early September      | First installment of residence fee(s) is due. Check specific dates at nipissingu.ca/finance |
| Early January        | Second installment of residence fee(s) is due. Check specific dates at nipissingu.ca/finance |