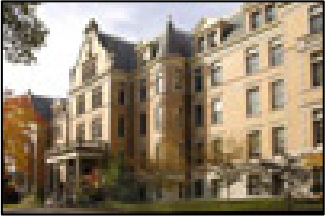




# Saint Mary's College

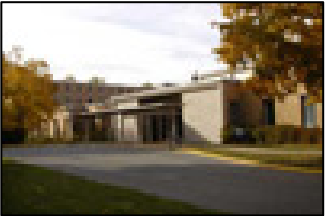


March 1, 2015

2015-2016 Housing applications due

February 27, 2015

Opus Lottery #s are drawn @ noon in the Student Affairs Conference Room



March 3-18, 2015

Room selection starts for rising Seniors

February 24, 2015

Le Mans open house from 7-9pm



February 25, 2015

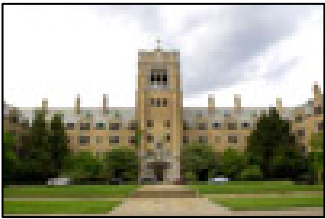
Holy Cross open house from 7-9pm

March 19-27, 2015

Room selection starts for rising Juniors

March 30-April 8, 2015

Room selection starts for rising Sophomores



## Room Selection Information

Academic Year 2015-2016

# THE PROCESS (3 STEPS)

## Step 1: the Application

Every student who is going to live on campus next year, needs to complete the housing application on line with eRezLife by Sunday, March 1.

- If you are unsure about your plans next year (i.e. study abroad, etc.) complete the application anyway.
- If you are a local student and wish to live at home with a parent next year, do not complete the housing application.
- If you are a rising senior who is going to live off campus next year, do not complete the housing application.


If you know who you want to live with next year, you can create a roommate group at this time. You have the ability to create/update roommate groups in step 3.

Once you complete the application you may log back into the system at any time to update it however it is binding for the entire academic year unless:

- You study abroad, withdraw or graduate from Saint Mary's.
- You want to only live in Opus and did not get in. If you did not get into Opus, you will receive a lottery number for Senior room selection. You will need to log back in to the system and withdraw your application by Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> or you will be assigned to an available space.


## Step 2: Room Preview

After you complete the application, you should begin thinking about where you want to live for next year.

- Returning students are only eligible to live in Le Mans or Holy Cross Hall.
- Holy Cross and Le Mans is hosting an open house night for you to walk through and tour some of the rooms.
- On our website, there are floor diagrams as well as a square footage chart for each building.
- Room preview opens one week prior to your lottery time slot. At that time, eRezLife will be open for you to search for available rooms and place a star  next to the rooms that you are interested in. The system is designed for you to be able to search by room characteristics (i.e. fireplace, air conditioning, etc).

## Step 3: Room and Roommate Selection

Each student will be assigned a time based on a lottery system (both by graduation year and credit hours earned) where you have priority to log into eRezLife and choose your room and roommates for next year.

- A small group of students will be assigned to each lottery timeframe (exact group sizes will be determined by number of students in each rising class (i.e. rising Sophomore, Junior...)).
  - For example, 15 students would be given a priority timeframe to choose a room from 8-9pm on Monday, February 17. If someone in this priority group misses their time slot, they can log in any time after to choose a room.
- When you log into the system you will be able to see the rooms that you place a star on  and if any of those rooms are still available, you can select it for next year.

- Once you pick a room, you then “place your friends nearby.” This means your roommate group will be randomly assigned to spaces within the room you choose (if it is open). If not, they will be placed in random spaces in other rooms near you.
  - Additionally, the person with the earliest priority lottery time is able to “pull in” any roommate(s) she wishes regardless of their priority times.

## FINANCIAL

- The room and board costs for the academic year will be posted on our website when they are established (late February). Expect that the rates will increase.

## ROOM SELECTION

### 5<sup>th</sup> Year Seniors:

- All students who are considered 5<sup>th</sup> year seniors by Academic Affairs will be eligible to live on campus in only Le Mans Hall and Holy Cross Hall (excluding Opus Apartments).

### Opus Hall Lottery:

- By February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015, all students who applied to live in Opus will have their eligibility verified (both academic and social standing). All groups who are eligible will be issued a group #.
- On Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 12pm in Reignbeaux Lounge we will pull lottery #'s to determine who will live in Opus. It is not necessary for group members to be in attendance at this time. Each group will then choose an apartment in Opus in the order in which they were selected on Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup> through the online system.

### Annunciata:

- Priority will be given for rising seniors. If there are vacancies after rising senior room selection, rising juniors may be permitted to live here if needed.

### Reserved Spaces for the Incoming First Year Class:

The following spaces are reserved for the incoming first year class and will not be available for current students:

- McCandless Hall: All
- Regina North: All
- Regina South: All

### Students Intending on Studying Abroad:

- Students who are going abroad for either the fall 2015 semester or for the entire 2015-2016 academic year will not be eligible to participate in this room selection process (step 3). Students should still complete the housing application (step 1) and indicate that they are going abroad.
- We will verify with the CWIL office which students are going abroad prior to each room selection lottery.
- Students who are going abroad for only the spring semester will be eligible to participate in this room selection process for the fall semester.

### Students who are Currently Abroad:

- If you are currently abroad, you will go through the process as if you were on campus. If you do not have internet access where you are, you must email [reslife@saintmarys.edu](mailto:reslife@saintmarys.edu) to inform us so we can make alternative arrangements.

### Open House Information:

- To provide students opportunities to learn more about room types and facilities in our residence halls, the Department of Residence Life and Community Standards is sponsoring open houses in Le Mans Hall and Holy Cross Hall.
- Residents that have chosen to participate in the open house will have a sign of their hall's mascot on their door.
- If you are interested in showing your room during the open house, you will need to pick up a sign at your front desk.

### Residency Requirement:

- As part of the Saint Mary's College residency requirement, you must live on campus for 6 semesters unless you receive written permission in advance from the Office of Residence Life and Community Standards.

### Roommates:

- Thoughtful consideration should be taken when selecting your roommate(s). Sometimes it is very difficult to live with your best friends. Be sure to discuss all important lifestyle issues with potential roommates before you decide to live together.
- In order to find compatible roommate candidates for the upcoming year, you will be provided with the opportunity to use the RoommeZ roommate search function in your eRezLife account:
  1. Update your roommate profile with the most current information. Please make sure you enable access to your profile so your peers can access your info and compatibility questions.
  2. After completing your profile, you will begin the process of selecting a roommate. Simply start by clicking on the roommate search bar to the left. After selecting a potential roommate, request to contact her. If you determine that you are completely sure that you would like to be roommates, add the individual to your roommate group. She will then need to accept your request to be joined into the group.
  3. In order to update your roommate groups or other information, click on "roommate groups" on the left side bar. Keep in mind that you are only able to be a part of one roommate group and will need to update this if anything changes.

### Room Changes:

- The Office of Residence Life and Community Standards will offer two room change periods during the fall semester and 1 during the spring semester. There will be no room changes before, between, or after these dates unless there is a safety/security emergency. Trained staffs in each residence hall are available to help students work through any conflicts that may arise between roommates. We ask

students to take some time to carefully consider with whom they choose as roommates to ensure a safe and successful year living on campus.