



## **Housing and Residence Life First Year Live-on Requirement**

Gordon State College is committed to providing all students with a comprehensive educational experience. There are numerous educational and social benefits enjoyed by first-year undergraduate students living in campus residence halls that may not be realized by those living off campus. With this understanding, Gordon has required all first-year students to live on campus.

The First Year Live-On Requirement for all undergraduate freshman or transfer freshman new to Gordon State College students under the age of 21 (as of the first day of classes of their entering semester) with fewer than 30 earned credit hours. They are typically under the age of 21, recently graduated from high school and are registered to take a full load of classes (12 credit hours or more).

This live-on requirement is in effect until Housing and Residence Life no longer has space to accommodate incoming first-year students. There is limited housing availability, so you are encouraged to apply early. The live-on requirement does not guarantee first-year students housing.

### **Exemptions to Live-on Requirement**

Students who feel that they may have circumstances which might exempt them from the live-on requirement may request an exemption through the online process below.

Individuals may fill out the Live-on Requirement Exemption Form along with valid supporting documentation if they meet any of the following requirements before the first day of classes:

- Student lives within a 40-mile radius of the Barnesville campus excluding the bordering counties (Butts, Monroe, Pike, Spalding, Upson) including Bibb & Henry.
- Student is already or will be 21 by the first day of the academic year.
- Student is married and/or has dependent children. Students must provide proof of marriage and/or dependent children via marriage and/or birth certificates.
- Student is actively serving in the Armed Forces.
- Student is transferring from another accredited institution with 30 or more credit hours.
- Student has a documented medical or psychological condition/disability with the Gordon State College Counseling and Accessibility Services.
- Student is exclusively taking all course work fully online.

Students who qualify must complete the Live-on Requirement Exemption **Form** and provide proper documentation to the Housing and Residence Life Office to waive the housing requirement. All requested documentation must be attached at the time of request. All requests will be reviewed by the Housing and Residence Life Office and may request additional documentation.

**Documentation:** Student must upload via the online submission form documentation which fully supports the personal circumstances and demonstrate why student would have a more successful college experience living off campus.

**Exemption Request Deadline**

Any request for an exemption must be submitted online through the Live-on Requirement Exemption Form by the semester deadline in which the student intends to enroll listed below:

Fall Semester Enrollment	July 1 <sup>st</sup>
Spring Semester Enrollment	December 1 <sup>st</sup>
Summer Semester Enrollment	April 1 <sup>st</sup>