NEW AND IMPROVED ONLINE HOUSING APPLICATION LAUNCHED

Houston, February 29, 2012 – Applying for housing just got easier with the latest enhancements to the online application process. Starting this semester, students can complete their housing application, payments and service agreement all at once, making the process more convenient for future residents as well as housing staff.

“We are very excited about the new online application and agreement process,” said Don Yackley, Executive Director for Residential Life and Housing. “It allows us to better serve our students. It’s paperless, it’s fast and it’s easier.”

Future residents will now be able to finish the application process during one login session which will lead them step-by-step as they enter their information, pay deposits and fees, select a meal plan, choose facility preferences and sign the Residence Hall Service Agreement using an electronic signature. With the former process, students had to login several times to the system and were also required to print and scan or fax their housing agreements to the housing office. This new process is also eliminating the use of paper, saving time for the residents and office staff while also allowing the RLH office to go green.

Once the applicants complete their agreement and pay the deposit and application fee, they will be able to select their room for next year. The online system will show the applicants a list of their room and facility options based on their classification and room availability. If applicants have a roommate preference, they can each select the same room at this time.

Applicants who do not complete the entire process in one sitting will also be able to log back into the system to pick up where they left off. The RLH staff has been working on completing this online application and agreement system for many months in order to better serve the residents and simplify the application process.

For more information on Residential Life and Housing, visit www.housing.uh.edu.

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