Room Draw FAQs Easter Term 2024

What determines the room selection order?

- Students are assigned a selection time based upon their class year and gown status. Students with earlier selection times, regardless of group leader status, will select their room first for themselves and their roommate(s).
- Gown status can be confirmed by the Registrar's Office. Contact the Registrar at registrar@sewanee.edu or by calling 931.598.1731.

I don't have a selection time. What should I do?

- Verify that the housing contract is signed. Students will see "You have signed your contract" on the home page if it has been signed. If the portal does not state that the contract has been signed, students should go back to the Housing Contract page→Read→Sign, and don't forget to hit "Save & Continue."
 - Please note that any student who signed their contract after 5 p.m. on Monday,
 April 8 will not be eligible for Senior Suite Selection.
- Verify students have selected a roommate.

How does roommate selection work?

- Students, unless they are rising seniors, should select a roommate in advance in their housing portal. Students will need to accept the roommate match. In the portal, students can select "Search Roommate by Details" and then enter the name of the roommate.
- There can only be one group leader per group of roommates. If students cannot find their preferred roommate, it is possible that the student is either already a group leader, in another group of roommates, has not completed the housing contract, or has already been assigned a room.
- Students will be able to match and unmatch with certain roommates throughout the day to select specific spaces that meet what they desire to get.

How will I know what rooms are available before I select?

- Students can see what rooms are available and floor plans are on **Engage**. This information is not live, so it will not remove rooms once they are selected.
- Students can see what rooms remain available to select during their selection time frame. If you can see a room, it is available for you to select.



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I want to select a Senior Suite. How does that work?

- Senior Suite selection will be done in one day. Groups will be able to select based on the highest class year within their group. For example, groups with a student who is a rising senior will be allowed to select first. After that, groups with the highest class status will select.
- For Senior Suite selection, only those students in a group of 2-6 students will have a selection time. Individual students without roommates will not be able to select.
- Once all of the Senior Suite spaces have been selected, students will need to wait until upperclassmen room selection. Students will get a time slot for general room selection between Wednesday, April 10 and Friday, April 12.
- Suites available for Senior Suite selection are available on Engage in the Office of Residential Life page. Students who are logged into Engage can see the list and floor plans.

I'm a rising senior, but I don't want a Senior Suite. What should I do?

- Rising senior students who **do not** want to live in a Senior Suite or are not able to select a Senior Suite will participate in general room selection Wednesday, April 10 through Friday, April 12.
- Rising seniors do not have to indicate a roommate to participate in the room draw. All other class years must select a roommate to participate.

Why was Senior Suite Selection redone?

- There were a series of issues with the Senior Suite selection process on Monday, April 8.
 These issues resulted in not all students having equitable access to the selection process.
 A decision was made to redo the process to allow for these issues to be resolved and for all students to have equitable access to the system.
- The Division of Student Life understands that this decision may cause some students to be upset. However, it is important for all students to receive equitable access to the system and for these issues to be resolved.

I would like a single room. How do I get one?

- Single rooms are assigned to students on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Some students are assigned single rooms for disability accommodations. This process works through <u>Student Accessibility Services</u>.



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I have housing accommodations related to a disability. What should I do about room draw?

- Students who have already received an assignment via the housing accommodation process should not go through room selection.
- Upperclass student accommodation requests were due on March 1. Student Accessibility Services (SAS) did outreach in advance of this deadline to students with accommodations in prior years. If a student needs a housing accommodation, the student will still need to go through the SAS process which begins with an intake <u>form</u>. If approved, they will go on a waitlist. If there is a space available, Residential Life will work to assign them over the summer.

I'm living in special interest housing next year. What do I do?

- Students assigned to live in specialty housing including theme housing, language houses, Greek houses, or Residential Learning Communities have been assigned.
- These students still need to complete their housing application and contract.

Additional questions can be directed to the Office of Residential Life at reslife@sewanee.edu.