

Is this approach common?

This approach is common throughout the nation at colleges and universities where the initial level of demand for on campus housing exceeds the number of rooms available. After move-in, additional room spaces will become available due to housing cancellations and no-shows. These cancellations result in available permanent rooms for those students who are placed in temporary overflow housing. The amount of time that students reside in overflow housing depends on the timing and number of cancellations that we receive.

Which housing areas will have overflow housing?

East, North, and South Residence Halls:

One additional student (total of three) will be assigned to a majority of rooms in the East, North, and South Residence Halls. The rooms in East, North, and South are larger than the average residence hall rooms and this approach has been utilized in prior years.

Halls 1-4

While we are doing everything, we can to limit the number of students in assigned to overflow housing in Halls 1-4, it is likely that some single occupancy rooms will be converted temporarily to double occupancy rooms. Students residing in overflow housing in Halls 1-4 will receive priority for vacant permanent spaces as they become available.

What is Albany State doing to minimize the number of students in overflow housing?

We are actively working to identify students with a room reservation who no longer need housing. We are asking that those students who need to cancel their room reservation notify us as soon as possible. We are also working with a local hotel to provide a limited number of students with an off-campus living arrangement. Both of these efforts will reduce the number of students assigned to overflow housing.

Will the cost to students assigned to overflow housing be reduced?

The standard rate for students assigned to double occupancy rooms in Halls 1-4 will be reduced by 50 percent. The standard rates for students assigned to a three-person room in East, North, or South will be reduced by 33 percent. The rate reduction applies only to the time period during which a student is assigned to overflow housing. The amount of revenue generated per room is equal to the amount generated under a normal occupancy scenario. One hundred percent of revenue generated from residence hall fees is utilized to maintain the residence hall facilities and to provide 24/7 support services to on campus residents.

More details regarding the rate reduction schedule and amounts are being provided to students who are assigned to overflow housing.

Are there any advantages to overflow housing?

Overflow housing allows us to house additional students temporarily, so that they are able to begin classes on time. In addition, students who are assigned to overflow housing are subject to reduced housing costs.