Roommate Guide 2019-2020

Students can search for a potential roommate starting noon CST on Monday, November 5. We may not be able to accommodate all roommate requests, so please prepare a backup plan before you participate in online room selection. If HRC staff make your housing assignment, we will try to accommodate confirmed roommate requests, if space permits.

Incoming freshmen can search for a roommate through 5 p.m. CST on Friday, May 3, 2019. Returning residents can search for a roommate through 5 p.m. CST on Monday, March 4, 2019.

Only UA students with a complete housing application can search for or select a roommate.

To log in to your application, use your myBama username and password.

Please click here to go to your MyHousing using myBama to login.

Welcome to the myHousing Portal

Click on the link above to access the housing portal. You will need to enter your myBama username and password.

This portal provides access to the online housing application, allows you to search for a roommate, provides access to online room selection (when available, for students eligible for online room selection), and allows you to check the status of your application and assignment.

APPLICATION CALENDAR

Fall 2018:
- New Freshmen: Opens on October 1, 2018 at 9 am CST
- Returners: Opens on October 15, 2018 at 9 am CST

Spring 2018:
- Opens for all students on November 1, 2018 at 9 am CST

Summer 2019:
- Opens in March 2019
Once logged in, click on the Application header, as shown below.

Select the term you will live on campus. Click **Save & Continue** as shown below.
We encourage you to **use your full name as your screen name**, which makes it easier for roommates you find outside of the Roommate Search to find you.

Be descriptive! You will live with this roommate for several months, so include detailed info.

- What’s your major?
- Where are you from?
- How do you have fun?
- Do you want your room to be a hangout space or a study space?
- How often do you think cleaning should be done?
- How do you feel about overnight guests?
- Do you have any pet peeves?
- Will you share food or will everyone buy their own?

The more information you provide, the better your chances of finding a roommate who shares interest or can tolerate your habits.
Screen 11: Roommate Selection

The Roommate Search provides several ways to find a potential roommate.

**Search Options**

- Search for roommates by details
- Search for roommates by entering their details
- Search for roommates by profile questions
- Search for a roommate by selecting profile questions
- Browse matching roommates
- Browse roommates who match my profile information

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Once a student has a room assignment for fall, the student will not be able to request a roommate or accept any roommate requests. The deadline to confirm roommates is 5 pm on May 1 since only confirmed roommates can be assigned during room selection.

Students may have 1 roommate request.

A student that is eligible for online room selection can assign a confirmed ("accepted") roommate to their room if space is available. For students that will be assigned by HRC staff, please note that roommate requests will be granted if space is available, but is not guaranteed.

Scroll to the bottom of the page to search for a roommate.
Search By Details: Search using a student’s name, email, or something in their description, like the word “sports” or “engineering.”

Note: Setting your screen name as your full name may help others locate you more easily.

Search by Profile Questions: Allows you to prioritize your preferences. For instance, if one question is critical to you (sleep habits, smoking habits, honors housing preference), you may search by that variable to find all matches who share your preferences in that area.

Browse Matching Roommates: The Roommate Search feature will show you potential roommates who have preferences close to yours.
When you find a roommate who matches your search, you can either Request to be their roommate, or View Profile to find out more information about this roommate match.

When you are ready to make a request, you will click Request under their screen name and prompted with a message to confirm that you want to request this roommate.
Once you have requested a roommate, you will see this person in your Requested Roommates section. You may cancel a request before it has been mutually confirmed by clicking **Cancel Request**.

When the other student has responded to your request, you will see the changes in your account. If the student accepted your request, you will automatically see that student under Accepted Roommates.

**Responding to a Request**

If you have received a roommate request, you will see a notification by your name at the top of the screen.

Select the term you are applying for in order to see your requests.
Under Requested Roommates, you will see any pending roommate requests. You may view the student’s profile, accept the request, or deny the request. It is completely up to you.

When you are ready to accept a request, click **Accept Request** under their screen name. You will be prompted with the message to confirm that you want to accept this roommate.

To become confirmed roommates, one student will send the roommate request, and the person receiving the roommate request will log in and accept the request. This will make the roommates mutually confirmed.

Once the roommate request is mutually confirmed, both students will see the other student in the Accepted Roommates section. Be careful about accepting roommates, as your accepted roommate may pull you into a space during online room selection.

If you are able to participate in online room selection, you can select a space for yourself, and then, space permitting, assign your confirmed roommate to vacant space(s) within your room or suite. If your confirmed roommate is able to select a room before you, that person can assign you to a space. If HRC staff make your housing assignment, we will assigned confirmed roommates together, space permitting.