

## First-year On-campus Living Exemption Policy

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All admitted, first-year students are required to live on campus their first year to ensure everyone receives the benefit of the campus housing experience. Exemptions from the residential requirement are considered based upon meeting one or more of the following requirements.

### EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS:

- **Current active or military veterans**  
Verified by DD Form 214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty.
- **Married, domestically partnered students and/or those having legally dependent children**  
Verified by the marriage certificate, registration of domestic partnership and/or dependent's birth certificate(s).
- **Students with independent student status**  
Verified when declared for the past two calendar years and not claimed by parent(s) during the same period of time.
- **Students with medical or disability circumstances**  
Reviewed by staff at Cal Poly Disability Resource Center, who through an interactive process with the student, will make a recommendation regarding exemption to University Housing.
- **Students age 21 or older by Dec. 31 of the academic year for which you are applying**
- **Students whose permanent address is within San Luis Obispo County at the time of application**
- **Other special circumstances that impact the student or University in ways that cannot be remedied by alternative means**  
Financial hardship will be considered in extreme circumstances and after financial aid options have been exhausted.

### HOW TO FILE:

Students are eligible to file for an exemption through University Housing on the Cal Poly Portal after the fall housing application system has opened and students have accepted their offer of admission.

### DEADLINE:

The deadline to request an exemption and submit documentation is May 7, 2019.