Frequently Asked Questions

NAU Housing Application

• Living on campus in a university residence hall is an integral component of the American collegiate experience. The NAU [Housing Application](#) is now open! In order to submit your housing application, you must first activate your NAU LOUIE student account.

NAU International House Application

• The NAU [International House](#) (I-House) is a great place to live! This dynamic community houses both international and American students who are passionate about global issues and interested in learning about diverse cultures. There is a separate essay application process for the I-House. Students must submit the NAU Housing Application and the I-House [application](#) in order to be considered to live in the I-House. If you are selected to live in the I-House, any room preferences you made for other campus dormitories will be canceled.

Housing Application Fee

• Upon submission of a housing application, a $100 non-refundable fee is charged to your student LOUIE account. NAU Housing has extended the deadline for payment of this fee until August, 2020.

Rent Confirmation Payment

• Students may be prompted via email to pay a $175 housing rent confirmation payment after submitting their housing application. Given the current situation, we don't recommend making this payment until you have been able to schedule an interview for a student visa with the USA embassy. While the deadline is typically May 15, NAU Housing has extended the deadline to make this payment until August, 2020.
Meal Plans

- As part of the NAU housing application, students may choose to select a meal plan to use at NAU cafeterias. Meal plans are required for freshman students, and optional for exchange, transfer, and graduate students.

Deferment to Spring 2021 Semester

- If a student decides not to travel to NAU for the start of classes in August, the student may request to defer arrival until January 2021. Students should discuss this option with CIE first, before cancelling any existing housing contract. The student will be able to work with NAU Housing to transfer their application fee and any housing deposit over to the Spring semester. However, the student will need to submit a second application for the alternative semester. If a student does not attend NAU in the Fall 2020 or Spring 2021 semester, any housing deposit and application fee paid is non-refundable.

Cancellation of a Housing Contract

- Students have until August, 2020 to cancel an existing housing contract. If a student does not attend NAU in the Fall 2020 or Spring 2021 semester, any housing deposit and application fee paid is non-refundable.

Off-Campus Leases

- We do not recommend students sign a lease with any private off-campus apartment company at this time due to restrictive nature of lease agreements and uncertainty surrounding COVID-19. Furthermore, we find that international students become better integrated, involved, and enjoy the convenience of living on campus. Students who have chosen to live off-campus have later shared that they would have preferred to stay on campus if given the opportunity to make that decision again.