To the Clark Student Community,

The Office of the Dean of Students is pleased to present you with the Clark Student Handbook, which provides information you’ll find useful in your life at Clark.

This comprehensive guide to campus resources highlights the services available to you and how best to access them. You’ll also find the Code of Student Conduct, an exhaustive look at the various policies at Clark, and what you can expect from the community. For those of you living in Clark housing, “Living On Campus” answers questions you might have about facilities, programs, and policies, and if you’re not living in University housing, see “Living Off Campus” for valuable information. Finally, the section on Worcester introduces you to the rich offerings of our city and helps you get to know this larger community of which you are a part.

We welcome your feedback on this book and how we can make it more useful to you. Please let us know in the Dean of Students Office if you have suggestions.

Finally, as we persevere with the realities of COVID-19, it’s critical that you uphold the principles of The Clark Commitment to protect your health and that of everyone in our community. Please continue to stay informed by visiting the Healthy Clark COVID Plan website, attending Town Halls, and referring any questions or concerns to dos@clarku.edu.

On behalf of everyone in Student Affairs, we wish you a very productive and enjoyable year.

Sincerely,

FRANCY MAGEE, Ed.D.
Dean of Students and Associate Provost
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The Clark Commitment

As a member of the Clark community, I take responsibility both for my own health and for protecting others from the spread of COVID-19. I know that my choices affect my well-being and the well-being of others on campus, in the Worcester community, and beyond. I know that I am expected to closely follow social distancing guidelines, properly wear a protective mask, get regularly tested for the virus, and act in ways that protect everyone around me. I fully accept these expectations and commit myself to living up to them at all times.

I also know that other members of the Clark community around me will be doing their best to meet these expectations, and I will positively support them in doing so. And while I appreciate that Clark is taking significant measures to reduce the risk of COVID-19 spreading on campus, I know that it is impossible for the University to guarantee that no one in the Clark community will contract the virus while at Clark. In fact, with this virus, it is likely some will. My role is to do everything I can as a member of the community to protect myself and others, and reduce the spread of the virus.

With our shared duty to one another in mind, I commit to the following actions, among other expectations, for the well-being of myself, and the Clark community.

1. Personal Care
   - I will monitor myself daily for the symptoms of COVID-19: a fever of 100.4 °F (38 °C) or higher, dry cough, difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or loss of taste or smell.
   - If I am a student and experience any such symptoms, I will consult with a health provider (including Student Health Services) and will stay home or in my residential hall room until advised otherwise by Student Health Services.
   - If I am an employee and experience any such symptoms, I will consult with a health provider and stay home until advised otherwise by a medical professional.
   - I will frequently wash my hands with soap and water and use hand sanitizer when hand washing is not possible.
   - I will follow University guidelines in keeping my personal spaces and spaces that I share with others clean and sanitized.
   - I understand that the symptoms of the flu are similar to those of COVID-19. I therefore recognize that minimizing occurrences of the flu on campus will improve our community’s efforts to identify cases of COVID-19 and mitigate its spread. I know that the University strongly advises I get a flu vaccine when it becomes available this fall.

2. Social distancing
   - Because I know how contagious this virus can be, I will at all times on campus maintain appropriate social distancing (six feet) and will strive to do so while off campus.
   - Because I know how contagious this virus can be, I will always wear an appropriate face mask and other protective gear in any campus public space — including hallways, common areas, classrooms, and campus grounds — as directed by the University; and will strive to do so while off campus.
   - I will carefully follow campus signage and instructions to ensure social distancing and healthy practices.
   - I will adhere to Clark’s rules prohibiting non-Clark guests in residence halls.

3. Testing and contact tracing
   - I will participate as directed by the University in testing for COVID-19 and related contact tracing to help protect the health of people on campus and in the community.

4. Staying Informed
   - I will complete the Clark COVID-19 training module in healthy practices that will be required of all students, faculty, and staff before they return to campus this fall.
   - I will stay informed of Clark University practices and requests by regularly reading my email, regularly reviewing the Healthy Clark website and following the guidance therein, and immediately responding to outreach and directives by University officials.
   - I acknowledge that the University may make changes to campus health protocols and expectations at any time and I commit to following any new required practices.

Finally, I acknowledge that if I violate my commitment to these expectations, I may be subject to University actions that enforce University policies and are designed to help protect the health and safety of everyone at Clark.
**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

**ACADEMIC ADVISING**
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 214  
clarku.edu/offices/academic-advising-center  x7468

The Academic Advising Center assigns advisers for first- and second-year students who have not declared a major, and evaluates transfer and advanced standing credit. Students are invited to meet with a staff member for general academic advice or for assistance in deciding on a major. Academic Advising processes College Board petitions for exceptions to any academic policy, as well as approvals of courses to be completed outside of Clark; and the Senior Associate Dean of the College reviews cases involving possible violations of academic integrity, as well as all College Board petitions.

**DEAN OF THE COLLEGE**
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, second floor  
clarku.edu/offices/dean-of-the-college  x7671

The Dean of the College is responsible for undergraduate academic and cocurricular programs and policies. The Dean also serves as Associate Provost of the University, with broad responsibility for all aspects of curriculum, instruction, advising, and the evaluation of teaching effectiveness. The Dean of the College works closely with the Undergraduate Academic Board (UAB) to review proposals for new and revised courses, majors, concentrations, and academic requirements, as well as to assess existing programs and requirements. The Dean and her staff also oversee the Dean’s List, Fall Fest, and Academic Spree Day, coordinate several undergraduate student award committees, and manage the LEEP Student Success Network.

**MULTICULTURAL AND FIRST GENERATION STUDENT SUPPORT**
Dana Commons  
clarku.edu/offices/multicultural  x3722

Multicultural and First Generation Student Support promotes the success of ALANA (Asian-, Latino/a-, African-, and Native-American, as well as multiracial) and first-generation college students at the University through the Advancing Clark Excellence (ACE) Summer Institute, Connections@Clark, academic year programming, advising, and workshops. ALANA students also can join Sisters in Stride (SIS) and Focus for peer-to-peer support. Students are encouraged to contact the office with any questions or to plan out their goals.

**PROVOST**
Geography Building, Room 212  
x7673

The Provost is the chief academic officer of the University, reporting to and advising the President on all matters affecting academic policies and programs. He also serves as the chief executive officer in the absence of the President. The duties and responsibilities of the Provost include academic planning and policy development; oversight and coordination of academic programs, support services, and budget; and the responsibility for faculty and other personnel in Academic Affairs.

**STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES**
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, second floor  
clarku.edu/offices/student-accessibility-services  798-4368

Student Accessibility Services provides academic accommodations and assistance to students with disabilities — including physical, cognitive, psychiatric, or developmental — and who have provided current disability documentation to the office. All materials pertaining to a student’s disability are confidential.

**ADMISSIONS**
3 Maywood Street  
clarku.edu/admissions/undergraduate-admissions  x7431

Most of the information that made you consider attending Clark came from the this office. At the “front lines” of public contact, Admissions informs prospective students about academic opportunities and campus life in general. While charged with reviewing applications and selecting the incoming class, staff members also are interested in the experiences students have after they enroll at Clark; you are encouraged to provide feedback on their efforts! Would you like to help recruit future Clark students? First-year students are invited to open their rooms to visiting high school students and families during the fall and spring semesters, or to serve as overnight hosts in the spring semester. Additionally, the Admissions Office is always looking for Clarkies to participate in the student admissions ambassador program; hiring for these positions takes place in the spring semester. Stop by the Admissions Office for more information.

**ALUMNI AND FRIENDS ENGAGEMENT**
122 Woodland Street  
clarku.edu/alumni-and-friends  x7166

The Office of Alumni and Friends Engagement comprises two departments: the Clark Fund and Alumni Affairs. Together, the teams work to build long-term, meaningful relationships among Clark University, its graduates, and stakeholders through communications, programming, events, volunteer opportunities, networking, and fundraising.

The Office of Alumni and Friends Engagement, in collaboration with campus partners, coordinates:
- Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) Council
- Regional alumni communities

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**FALL 2020:** Students are encouraged to visit department websites for hours and contact information.
• Class agent volunteer opportunities
• @CLARK, the alumni e-newsletter
• Regional, national, and international events for alumni
• Fundraising initiatives
• The yearly voting process to choose Clark’s alumni-elected trustee
• Reunion weekend

Additionally, Alumni and Friends Engagement staff advise two student groups, the Student Alumni Relations Committee and the Senior Class Gift Committee.

ATHLETICS

Kneller Athletic Center  x7161
clarku.edu/athletics

The Department of Athletics and Recreation provides students, faculty, and staff an opportunity to gain a sense of physical well-being through various forms of activity. Because everyone has a different approach to achieving their own level of personal fitness, Clark Athletics offers both individual and team-oriented activities, at varying levels of competition, in three structured forms of recreation: intercollegiate athletics, intramurals, and the wellness program.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Clark’s 17 intercollegiate varsity teams compete in National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III. Locally, Clark competes in the New England Women’s and Men’s Athletic Conference (NEWMAC), which includes Babson College, Emerson College, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Mount Holyoke College, Smith College, Springfield College, United States Coast Guard Academy, Wellesley College, Wheaton College, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Men’s varsity sports include baseball, basketball, cross country, lacrosse, soccer, swimming and diving, and tennis. Women’s varsity sports include basketball, cross country, field hockey, lacrosse, rowing, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, and volleyball.

INTRAMURALS

clarkathletics.com/intramurals/info

Clark’s intramural program gives eligible students the chance to participate in organized physical activities without the demands of varsity intercollegiate athletics—but with the purpose of enjoyment and achievement.

Clark staff or students supervise all activities. Leagues and tournaments are structured in a variety of ways, such as by level of competition or gender. Activities, which range from one-day tournaments to league play, include soccer (fall/winter), flag football, volleyball, basketball, softball, floor hockey, whiffle ball, squash, and racquetball.

WELLNESS ACTIVITIES

Each semester Clark offers the entire Clark community a variety of voluntary wellness activities; no credit is given for participation. While some activities are free, others include a fee. Wellness classes and activities often include step aerobics, ballroom dancing, jazz dance, yoga, first aid, CPR, tai chi, cardio-kickboxing and Pilates.

KNELLER ATHLETIC CENTER

The multipurpose George F. Kneller Athletic Center is a hub of activity for Clark’s students, faculty, staff, and alumni. Level one has four racquetball courts and two squash courts; level two features a six-lane, 25-yard swimming pool, a team weight room, men’s and women’s locker rooms, and racquetball/squash viewing area; level three comprises a fitness center, gymnasium with four full-size basketball courts, training room, equipment room, swimming pool viewing area, conference/classroom, public restrooms, and the main lobby; and level four includes a multipurpose room, athletic department offices, and another meeting room.

During COVID-19, the Kneller Athletic Center will be used as a testing facility. Please visit the Athletic website for more information regarding access to the Kneller and Bickman facilities.

DOLAN FIELD HOUSE

The 29,850-square-foot field house includes a rubber composite playing surface, appropriate for indoor practice space for outdoor teams, and is used for intramurals as well as activities including basketball, tennis, volleyball, badminton, and indoor soccer. The field house also includes a training room, office space, and locker rooms for visiting and home teams.

GRANGER FIELDS

Located on Beaver Street, adjacent to the Dolan Field House, the complex accommodates intercollegiate soccer, lacrosse, field hockey, and baseball, as well as intramurals and recreation on two synthetic surfaces. The Corash Tennis Courts include six PlexiPave-surfaced, lighted courts for use by Clark’s tennis teams and recreational players.

O’BRIEN FIELD

Located on Knowles Road, this field is used by Clark’s softball team.

DONOHUE ROWING CENTER

Located on Lake Quinsigamond, the boathouse—where the women’s rowing team is based—is shared with other Worcester-area college and university crew teams.
**BAND REHEARSAL ROOM**

Estabrook Hall, lower level

This rehearsal room is available to Clark students for band rehearsals during limited hours, evenings and weekends. Access to the room follows strict guidelines and rehearsal times are scheduled and organized by the Music Society of Clark University, a student group.

**BOOKSTORE**

bookstore.clarku.edu

Clark now has an online “virtual” bookstore instead of a physical location where you buy your books. To order textbooks, visit the link above, which is also accessible from the ClarkYou welcome page. Once on the site you can log in with your Clark credentials (not necessary if entering through ClarkYou) and go to the MyCourses page, where you will find all materials for your courses, as well as pricing options (new, used, marketplace, e-book, and rental). You also can choose where to have your books shipped (campus address or home). All returns and book buybacks will be handled through the site as well. Textbooks are provided through a partnership with Akademos/TextbookX.

**CAMPUS STORE**

Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 106

store.clarku.edu

The Clark University Campus Store is owned and operated by the University. It carries school and office supplies, University apparel and spirit items, glassware, and gift items, as well as reference and trade books.

The Campus Store accepts cash, the Clark CashCard, traveler’s checks, checks, Campus Store gift cards, and most major credit cards.

**CASHIER**

Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 318

Hours: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Monday through Friday

Visit the Cashier’s Office, where student payments are processed, to cash checks or add money to your Clark OneCard. Please note the following student check-cashing policy:

- Personal checks written on the student’s own account, up to $50.00, can be cashed for a fee of 50 cents.
- You must have a Clark University student ID (OneCard) to cash checks.
- Checks from your parent(s) or legal guardian(s), up to $250.00, can be cashed for a fee of 50 cents.
- There is a $25.00 fee for all returned checks.

**CENTER FOR COUNSELING AND PERSONAL GROWTH**

114 Woodland Street

counseling@clarku.edu

Counseling is provided free of charge to both undergraduate and graduate students. Staffed by mental health professionals and graduate interns, the Center for Counseling and Personal Growth (CPG) provides services including short-term individual therapy, group therapy, consultations and training for faculty and staff, crisis intervention, and referrals to local psychiatrists and mental health specialists. CPG assists students in dealing with a variety of issues, including (but not limited to) depression, anxiety, adjustment issues, time/stress management, and body image issues. The Center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Appointments are required; call 508-793-7678, ext. 1, or email counseling@clarku.edu.

CONFIDENTIALITY AND SAFETY

Counseling for students at Clark is confidential and information is not shared without permission, except in cases where an individual’s safety is at risk. Students who have been clinically determined to be a risk to themselves or others may be assessed by the Emergency Mental Health service at UMass Memorial Medical Center (Lake Avenue campus). The University’s protocol following any mental health hospital evaluation or hospitalization includes a re-entry interview by an on-campus clinician, which must take place within 24 business hours of release from the hospital. A student is not allowed back on campus until the interview has been conducted, or unless otherwise approved by the Dean of Students.
**CLARK ALERTS**

clarku.edu/alerts

Clark ALERTS, the University’s emergency notification system, contacts students, faculty, and staff via:

- Text messages (SMS) to mobile devices
- Voice calls to mobile phones and off-campus phone numbers
- Emails to Clark and non-Clark addresses

During an urgent emergency situation, the Clark ALERTS system will send you a message with information and/or instructions.

Your contact information is maintained in the ClarkYOU portal. Look for the Clark ALERTS Updater channel (located in the Resources tab), which will display your current contact details. To make changes or additions, click the **Update** button, add or edit as needed, and click **Update** again. You should then see a **Successfully Updated** message in red at the top of the screen.

**CLARK ONECARD**

Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 325

Visit clarku.edu/onecard for office hours and an up-to-date list of CashCard vendors

The OneCard, issued to all new students during orientation, is your official University ID. The magnetic strip on the back of your Clark OneCard acts as an entrance key to a number of areas on campus, including residential and academic buildings, Kneller Athletic Center, and Goddard Library. The Clark OneCard is also used for meal plans, your print allowance, and the CashCard program. The CashCard works like cash at both on- and off-campus establishments.

On-campus vendors include all Clark dining locations, select vending machines, the Clark Copy Center, and the Campus Store. Off-campus vendors may be viewed in the back of this book or at the link above.

The Clark OneCard/CashCard provides:

**Convenience:** Simply deposit money into your account and it will be activated. To make purchases, just present your Clark OneCard.

**Flexibility:** It allows you to purchase an extra meal, treat a guest, or make an unplanned purchase without the need for cash.

**Security:** Your account is accessed through your OneCard, reducing the possibility of misuse. You have the purchasing power of cash without the risk.

**Budgeting:** Your account can help you budget your money. Check your account balance at any time by visiting the Clark OneCard channel in the ClarkYOU portal.

**Accountability:** Obtain a history of all activity, including the date, time, and location of transaction.

Deposits are made through the Cashier’s Office. This can be done in person at room 318 of the Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center floor; by mail; by telephone (508-793-7422); or online through CUWeb. Cash withdrawals are not permitted. Funds left on the CashCard account upon completion of studies will be credited for a refund. The account may be closed by drawing down the account to zero, or upon receipt of documentation that the student is leaving the college through an official process, graduation, or withdrawal.

Treat your card like you would cash, and report a lost or stolen card immediately to University Police. There is a $20 fee to replace a lost card and a $10 fee for a broken card.

**COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE AND CLARK COLLECTIVE**

930 Main St.

Open Wednesday through Sunday from 12 to 4 p.m.

The Community Thrift Store, a student-run business venture, is a treasure hunt that lets you do good every time you shop. It shares space with the Clark Collective, a hub where student entrepreneurs can publicly test their business products and concepts. Visit Facebook.com/clarkthrift and /clarkucollective.

**DEAN OF STUDENTS**

Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 222

clarku.edu/offices/dean-of-students/

Recognizing that education is a process that occurs outside the classroom as well as inside, the Dean of Students staff is concerned with your well-being as a person living and learning in a community of scholars. As a result, you should feel free to consult with staff members in this office about any aspect of life at Clark — personal or academic. In particular, the Dean of Students Office coordinates services related to housing, residential life, new student orientation, health services, student leadership and programming, personal counseling, wellness, and student conduct. Staff members work closely with other administrators, faculty, student organizations, and the Undergraduate Student Council to improve student life at Clark.

Don’t be a stranger to the Dean of Students Office. The deans and staff want to get to know you and will help you find the answers to your questions. This is the place to get information on leadership opportunities, emergency loans, leaves of absence, withdrawals, or matters concerning your University status. If you’re not sure where to go, this is often a good place to start.
THE DEPAUL EMERGENCY LOAN FUND
Currently enrolled undergraduate students who need a short-term loan may obtain one from the Dean of Students Office, from September 1 through April 1. Loans are limited to $50 and must be paid back in cash within two weeks.

DINING SERVICES
University Center  x7507
clarku.edu/student-life/dining-on-campus

Please visit the dining website listed above for the most up to date information about dining services this year.

Clark University takes pride in offering its students excellent dining choices. Food service options located in the Higgins University Center and Academic Commons are open every day during the academic year, from early morning until late at night. We offer a number of meal plans sure to satisfy all dietary needs, personal tastes, and individual schedules. Whatever your choice, you can expect quality food and service at a great value.

Clark Dining Services is able to accommodate most allergies and restrictions; students should contact the Dining Services General Manager at x7158 to set up a meeting to discuss any special needs or concerns.

Students living in Traditional and Suite Lifestyle Housing are required to enroll in a meal plan, and may choose from the All Access, 15, 12, and 10 meal options. A “Plus” option may be added to any one of these plans, which will allow a late-night meal swap and $25 additional dining dollars.

Apartment Lifestyle Housing includes the 5 Meal Plan by default, but students may upgrade to a larger plan if they prefer. In addition, sophomores, juniors, and seniors living in Apartment Lifestyle Housing may opt out of the meal plan requirement.

Graduate students also have the option to purchase the graduate meal plan in blocks of 10 meals.

Students may change their meal plan choices within the first two weeks of each semester; find a complete list of meal plan options at clarkdining.sodexomyway.com. Student Account Counselors are available to assist you with any meal plan changes or to answer any questions you may have.

During the academic year, when classes are in session, the main dining hall is open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., and on weekends from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Other food venues, including the Bistro, Bistro Late Night, Jazzman’s Café, and The Den, are open at various times for students looking for a quick bite to eat. Please refer to and bookmark the Clark Dining Services site (or download the free phone app) for information regarding daily menus, hours of operation, nutritional information, contact information, and special events.

When classes are in session, the Bistro offers a Take 3 “meal swap,” which is deducted from a student’s weekly allotted meals. Swap items are clearly marked. All plans allow one swap per meal period. Students on the All Access Plan and All Access Plus plans are allowed to swap in exchange for their unlimited Higgins Café access, but may not dine in both locations during the same meal period (unlimited access is granted again during the next meal period). Students on any Plus Plan are also allowed up to one swap during late night hours (9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m.) in the Bistro. All dining locations accept cash, credit cards, Clark dining dollars, and the Clark CashCard.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION
Dana Commons  x7350
clarku.edu/offices/diversity-inclusion

The Office of Diversity and Inclusion advances the University’s mission and commitment to excellence by promoting a campus climate that values diversity and inclusion and is free of bias and harassment for all students, staff, and faculty.

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
501 Park Ave.  x7566
clarku.edu/offices/facilities-management

The Facilities Management office ensures that the environment in which students study and live is safe and healthy. The custodians, maintenance workers, and groundskeepers maintain work spaces and residence halls, clean houses, and mow lawns, among many other tasks. The office is located on the corner of Maywood Street and Park Avenue, and the door is always open to students. If you need something repaired in your hall or room, visit clarku.edu/offices/facilities-management to fill out a work request.

Facility-related emergency issues should be reported by calling 508-793-7566 (or to University Police at 508-793-7575 after business hours).

During the academic year, Facilities is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (except for University-recognized holidays). During the summer, the office is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (except for University-recognized holidays).

Please keep in mind that Facilities Management is not responsible for cable or laundry issues.
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 334  
calku.edu/offices/financial-aid  x7478

The Office of Financial Assistance awards nearly $50 million in financial aid through Clark scholarships and grants, federal grants, work-study, and state scholarships, and also provides information and counseling on the financing options available to both parents and students. Students returning to Clark for the next academic year will be emailed instructions for renewing their financial assistance and can check the status of their financial aid application through CUIWeb.

The Office of Financial Assistance, along with Student Employment, coordinates the University’s undergraduate student employment program. Student workers can contact this office with any questions about the process and forms required to be set up on the payroll system.

Realizing that preferences and needs for financial resources are different for each student and family, the office seeks ways to help all families cover their educational costs. Anyone encountering difficulty meeting their financial obligations is strongly encouraged to make an appointment with a financial aid counselor.

HEALTH SERVICES

501 Park Ave.  x7467
clarku.edu/health

Hours: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except during University vacations

Clark University Health Services, staffed by physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, and administrative personnel, is a primary care, outpatient clinic that provides on-campus health care to full-time undergraduate students. Graduate students may use Health Services on a fee-for-service basis. To make an appointment, call x7467.

If an illness occurs when Health Services is closed, access to medical care is available through Hahinemann Family Health Center. Follow the steps below for after-hours care.

1. Call the Hahinemann Family Health Center’s answering service at 508-334-8830 and identify yourself as a Clark University student.
2. Leave your name and telephone number with the answering service. A physician will return your call within one hour.
3. When the physician calls, describe your problem. If the physician decides you need to be seen, you will be referred to the emergency room at UMass Memorial Medical Center, Memorial Campus, 119 Belmont Street, Worcester.
4. If you go to the emergency room, identify yourself as a Clark University student and give the name of the physician you spoke with at the Hahinemann Family Health Center.

HIGGINS UNIVERSITY CENTER

The Higgins University Center opened in January 1991 and is a place where members of the Clark community gather formally and informally for intellectual enrichment, conversation, celebration, and recreation. It provides a central location where creativity and ideas can be openly exchanged on a common ground. The University Center houses the main dining hall, Bistro, Grind, Student Lounge, Craft Studio, student organization offices, the Asher student group workspace, meeting rooms, and the mailroom. Tilton Hall is a spacious multipurpose room with 35-foot bay windows, a roof patio, piano, and fireplace.

COOKE INFORMATION CENTER
Higgins University Center, first floor  x7590

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND PROGRAMMING
Higgins University Center, third floor  x7549
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EVENTS PLANNING
Higgins University Center, third floor  x7471
Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday

Events Planning assists in scheduling campuswide activities, coordinates use of the University Center, Atwood Hall, and other campus facilities, and responds to requests from external organizations for conferences and meetings to be held in Clark University spaces. Facility reservations for recognized student organizations must be made through Clark Engage. Examples of “additional services” may include food service, media services, Facilities Management, and University Police coverage. Requests can be made up to one year in advance.

ASHER STUDENT ORGANIZATION SUITE
Higgins University Center, third floor

The Asher Suite provides a student lounge atmosphere for small group gatherings, study space, and informal discussion. A number of student clubs and organizations have office space in the suite.

CLARK DINING HALL AND THE BISTRO
Higgins University Center, first floor
(Please see Dining Services, page 9)

CRAFT STUDIO
Higgins University Center, lower level  x7620

The Craft Studio provides a creative and recreational place for all members of the Clark community to work on their own projects or to attend any of the offered craft classes, which include knitting, candle-making, stained glass, quilting, ceramics, calligraphy, and silkscreen. The studio also has pottery wheels, kilns, and glazing equipment.
THE GRIND
Higgins University Center, lower level

The Grind is a multipurpose venue for department and student group events, rehearsals, and meetings. All event, meeting, or rehearsal times must be reserved through the Events Planning Office/Clark Engage. The Grind hosts student performances, concerts, and comedians, and frequently features late-night student entertainment. Pool tables, ping pong, and foosball are available for use when the room is not reserved; game equipment may be signed out, with a Clark ID, from the Information Desk on the first floor. The Freudian Sip, a pub operating within the Grind, opens every Thursday and Friday, 10 p.m. to 1 a.m., during the academic year.

HUMAN RESOURCES AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 402  x7294
clarku.edu/hr

The Human Resources/Affirmative Action Office is responsible for non-student employment processes and Universitywide issues of affirmative action, including harassment and discrimination.

It is the policy of Clark University that all our students, faculty, and staff should enjoy an environment free of discrimination and harassment and shall have equal opportunity in the education, employment, and services of the University. This policy refers to, but is not limited to, harassment and/or discrimination in the following areas: age, race, color, national origin, religion, gender, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, and veteran status. Students who have concerns regarding harassment or discrimination involving a faculty or staff member are urged to bring this to the attention of the Director of Human Resources, who also serves as the University’s Affirmative Action Officer. Students may elect to have issues involving student-to-student concerns addressed by members of the Dean of Students staff, who will consult with the Director of Human Resources as appropriate.

Copies of the University’s Harassment and Discrimination Prevention Policies and Principles, as well as guidelines for filing a report or complaint, may be obtained at the Office of Human Resources/Affirmative Action or online at clarku.edu/hr. If you feel you have been harassed or discriminated against, seek assistance from the Director of Human Resources or a member of the Dean of Students Office staff.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES
Help Desk  x7745
helpdesk@clarku.edu
clarku.edu/its (check the website for current hours)

Academic Commons, first floor of Goddard Library

Information Technology Services (ITS) provides support for computing, telecommunications, and networking resources. Popular ITS services for students include:

- General purpose and specialized computing labs
- Discounted computer hardware and free/reduced-cost software (including antivirus and Microsoft Office 365)
- Phone, walk-in, and on-campus “house call” technical support for common computer and networking issues
- Wired and wireless networking throughout campus (public areas, classrooms, residence halls, etc.)
- Email and cloud-based file storage
- An online campus portal (ClarkYOU), learning management system (Moodle), and CUWeb, a system for course registration, checking grades, updating addresses, and more.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS OFFICE
142 Woodland St., second floor  x7362
iss@clarku.edu
clarku.edu/offices/issso/

The International Students and Scholars Office provides programs specifically to serve the needs of international students, researchers, and faculty, from immigration advising to cultural adjustment programs. ISSO staff advises approximately 900 international students, faculty, scholars, and their dependents, from more than 90 countries, on matters relating to immigration as well as academic, social, financial, and personal concerns related to daily life in the United States.
LIBRARIES
GODDARD LIBRARY
clarku.edu/goddard

Circulation x7461
Interlibrary loan x7163
Reference x7579
Technical Services x7582
University Librarian x7384

The Robert Hutchings Goddard Library, named for the Clark physicist who invented the rocket technology that made space travel possible, is both the academic heart of the University and an architectural landmark; it is a traditional and digital library with time-tested and brand new collections and services. The collections include more than 576,000 volumes, 276,000 monographs, and subscriptions to 1,600 periodicals. The library provides full internet access and nearly 50 end-user subject-specific databases. As a member of the Higher Education Consortium of Central Massachusetts, Clark offers students the use of eight academic Consortium libraries and a combined local collection of more than 3.5 million volumes.

Goddard Library also offers a viewing area for videocassettes and DVDs; a listening area for compact discs, records, and tapes; a language lab; microcomputers; and terminals linked to the campus network. In addition, the library’s menu of online information sources, including the public online catalog, is available 24 hours a day.

CARLSON SCIENCE LIBRARY

The Carlson Science Library, a branch of Goddard Library, serves the disciplines of biology, chemistry, math, and physics. Located on the top floor of the Sackler Sciences Center, it houses selected science journals and a research collection of recent monographs. Full internet access is provided, as are subject-specific databases.

ACADEMIC COMMONS

Extensive renovations of the Robert H. Goddard Library in 2008 created a state-of-the-art facility offering centralized academic and research support services for the entire campus community. The Academic Commons project included redesign of existing space and the addition of 11,000 square feet, achieved by enclosing the plaza level. Included in the plaza-level expansion are the University’s main computer lab and late-night study room, the Information Technology Services Help Desk, Clark Archives and Special Collections, and Jazzman’s Café.

MAP LIBRARY

Located on the lower level of the Geography Building, the Map Library houses more than 200,000 maps as well as books and periodicals for geographical research.

JEANNE X. KASPERSON RESEARCH LIBRARY
18 Claremont St.
clarku.edu/research/kaspersonlibrary
jxkaspersonlib@clarku.edu

The Jeanne X. Kasperson Research Library offers one of North America’s most extensive research collections on environmental risk and hazards, and human dimensions of global environmental change. In addition, the library has holdings on the subjects of international development, technology, and energy policy.

Library staff has prepared more than 125 “data boxes” for specific subjects, containing copies of (or references to) relevant journal articles, chapters of books, technical reports, court cases, regulations and standards, bibliographies, and news clippings. These data box collections include AIDS, biotechnology, climate change, fisheries, GATT/TWO and other trade agreements, mathematics, medical/health issues, nuclear power, pollution/waste management, radioactive waste, sustainable development, risk, vulnerability, and water resources, among other subjects.

It is not a lending library, but patrons are allowed to keep identified materials aside for the duration of their research. The library staff also is happy to help you find relevant materials for your research papers, theses, or dissertations. Computers with internet access, as well as wireless connectivity, are available for library searches.

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES

The University Archives is the repository for Clark’s official records, publications, and other materials documenting the history and development of the University community. Manuscript collections reflecting the life and work of former faculty members, such as Robert Goddard and President G. Stanley Hall, among others, are included.

Examples of materials available at the archives are photographs, faculty publications, copies of student publications, records of selected student organizations, and memorabilia.

The resources of the archives are useful to undergraduates in the preparation of student publications, club activities or research papers on Clark’s history, or subjects for which Clark serves as an example of some larger phenomenon. Some records materials — such as student records — are necessarily restricted to preserve confidentiality, but most of the collection is readily available.

Staff will instruct students in the use of original materials and describe Clark’s archival resources in detail. The University’s collection of rare books is also housed in this area and can be used for research and scholarly purposes.
MAIL SERVICES AND RECEIVING

Higgins University Center, second floor x7304

Your mailbox is located on the second floor of the Higgins University Center. The mailroom staff distributes all U.S. Postal Service and campus mail, and delivers mail to most campus departments daily. Your correspondence must include your box number or it may be delayed. If you live in Clark-owned housing, you must still use your box number, as the USPS will not deliver to residence halls or houses. Graduate students have window service mailboxes, which means they receive their mail at the mailroom window by showing their Clark ID.

Packages may be picked up at the mailroom window. You are notified via email that your package has arrived; please allow a few hours after receiving the email to pick up your package. Students must show a valid Clark ID to pick up packages. Any student expecting a package that for some reason is not in the second floor mailroom should go to the mailroom in the basement of the University Center and speak to a full-time employee. During the first few weeks of the semester the mailroom is extremely busy, so please plan on longer waits after receiving emails and longer lines at the window.

Any mail for students should be addressed as follows:

Student name, campus box number
Clark University
950 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01610

Please be aware that students’ campus boxes are not post office boxes. All FedEx, UPS, DHL, and Laser Ship packages sent to Clark students are signed for by mailroom staff, so it is important to address all packages and mail with the correct campus box number.

Students may also send FedEx, UPS and USPS packages, with prepaid labels, using the collection boxes located in the vestibule by the main entrance of the University Center. Packages that do not fit in these boxes can be brought to the mailroom in the basement. Please note that the second floor mailroom will not accept outgoing packages.

PLANNING AND FINANCE

Geography Building, room 203 x7443

The Office of Planning and Finance oversees the offices of Facilities Management, Human Resources and Affirmative Action, Financial Services, University Budgeting, Strategic Analytics and Institutional Research, and the Business Manager (including dining services, printing, purchasing, insurance, and the Campus Store). The office is also responsible for investments, external debt, and financial planning.

PRESIDENT’S OFFICE

Geography Building, room 202 x7320

David Fithian is the tenth president of Clark University. As the chief executive officer, he is responsible for overall administration and general welfare of the University, working to achieve a dynamic fit among faculty, students, staff, programs, facilities, and resources. The president ensures that the various constituencies of the University work together to create an environment conducive to high-quality teaching, learning, and research. While ultimately responsible to the Board of Trustees and overseeing such general concerns as budget, academic programs, and development, the president works closely with officers who are more directly responsible for these and other activities of the University. The president also publicly represents Clark to its many constituencies, including students, alumni, families, donors, friends, the Worcester community, and the larger academic community.

REGISTRAR

Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 305 clarku.edu/offices/registrar registrar@clarku.edu x7426

The Registrar’s Office is responsible for all student academic records, scheduling of courses and exams, classroom assignments, and the academic catalog. Students typically interact with the Registrar’s Office during registration periods; the major, minor, or concentration declaration process; junior year, when graduation clearances are required; senior year, for commencement preparations; and as alumni who may need transcripts or duplicate diplomas. The Registrar’s Office certifies enrollment several times each semester through the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC). Outside agencies (e.g., loan providers) may obtain enrollment information by contacting NSC directly. Students may also print out their own enrollment certificates through their CUWeb accounts. The Registrar’s Office sends degree award information to NSC after degrees are awarded in August, December, and May. Outside agencies may obtain degree information by contacting NSC directly.

RESIDENTIAL LIFE AND HOUSING

Higgins University Center, third floor x7453 clarku.edu/housing

The Residential Life and Housing office supports students’ residential needs. The office supervises the staff who live in residence halls and houses — these are the people who offer personal and resource support, programs, and who work to provide a safe and enjoyable living atmosphere. Additionally, room assignments for on-campus housing, room changes, and the spring housing lottery are coordinated through this office. For more information about residential life at Clark, please refer to the section entitled “Living on Campus.”
STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND PROGRAMMING
Higgins University Center, third floor  x7549
engage.clarku.edu
facebook.com/whats happening at clark
Instagram & Twitter: @clarku_events
The Office of Student Leadership and Programming strives to weave a positive cocurricular experience into the fabric of students’ lives outside of the classroom. The office works closely with undergraduate student clubs and organizations in the planning, implementation, and promotion of a vibrant, engaging and exciting calendar of events throughout the academic year. Office staff can provide information about upcoming events; Student Council and its bus route schedules; membership and involvement in Clark’s 130+ student organizations; and leadership development programs. The office also coordinates Orientation and various pre-orientation programs for students. Visit the website above, follow the office’s social media accounts, or stop by to learn how to get involved.

STUDENT ACCOUNTS
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, room 320  421-3801
https://www.clarku.edu/offices/student-accounts/
The Student Accounts Office helps you determine how much your Clark education will cost and answers any questions you may have regarding your bill, monthly payment plan, or financing options.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT
(See Financial Assistance)

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
(See Financial Assistance)

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
(See Financial Assistance)

SUSTAINABLE CLARK
clarku.edu/offices/campus-sustainability  x7601
jisler@clarku.edu
Sustainable Clark’s mission is to make Clark greener; whether it’s waste reduction and recycling, energy efficiency, water conservation, composting, edible landscaping, real food, or climate change, we are on it. Clark’s bold Climate Action Plan targets climate neutrality by 2030, and we are well on our way. Clark’s Eco-Reps, along with members of other sustainability-minded clubs and student ventures, embody the mission through student engagement, activities, events, and sustainable businesses. The Clark Sustainability Collaborative brings us all together (sign up for the newsletter and events calendar: csc_eboard@clarku.edu) and Sustainable Clark interns tackle specific initiatives.

RECYCLING
clarku.edu/recycling
Our student Recycling Crew, in collaboration with Facilities Management custodial staff, has managed Clark’s award-winning recycling program since 1992. The Recycling Crew picks up paper, cardboard, glass, metal, electronics, compost, and stiff plastics #1-7 (that’s everything plastic, except soft plastic bags and wrappers). The crew sorts everything at the Recycling Center, sells the valuable commodities, and responsibly/locally recycles the rest. Please use recycling bins around campus for all paper, glass, metal, foam, and plastic. Put flattened cardboard next to the recycling bins. You’ll find battery collection and compost bins in Academic Commons and the University Center; compost bins are also located in all residence halls. Clark diverts more than 50% of campus waste.
Check the Sustainable Clark web pages for the Recycling Crew pickup schedule, information on how to recycle dozens of other things, FAQs, and more.

UNDERGRADUATE PROFESSIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, Room 222  x7217
clarku.edu/schools/sps/programs/undergraduate-programs
The Undergraduate Professional Studies Program serves adult nontraditional students, with all courses meeting once a week during the evening for the length of the semester. As in the past, Clark day college undergraduates may register for Undergraduate Professional Studies Program courses that have been approved for day college students. Registration for courses in the Undergraduate Professional Studies Program is on a space-available basis, and seats for day college undergraduates are limited. Day college undergraduates, with the exception of all first-year students and first-semester transfers, may register for one course per semester, for a total of four semesters. Permission from the College Board is required for undergraduates who wish to take more than one Undergraduate Professional Studies course per semester. Petitions for College Board permission are available online and should be submitted to the Academic Advising Office.
**UNIVERSITY MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS**

138 Woodland St., second floor  
University Marketing and Communications is responsible for elevating Clark's standing and reputation as a university of global consequence — in undergraduate and graduate education, research, and community partnerships — with prospective students, alumni, educators, public and private leaders, media, employers, and foundations. The office provides marketing, public relations, and creative services for the University; produces awareness, recruitment, and fundraising campaigns; manages the University’s website and primary social media channels; and publishes Clark magazine.

**UNIVERSITY POLICE**

Bullock Hall, lower level  
[clarku.edu/police](http://clarku.edu/police)  
clarku.edu/police  

The University Police Department, staffed by Massachusetts State Special Police Officers, provides life and property protection to the Clark community — 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. In addition to patrolling grounds and buildings routinely, the department supervises a student-run emergency medical services program and a safety escort service. Officers are specially trained in sexual assault investigations, diversity, medical response, active shooter response, hate bias crimes, and crime prevention, among other areas.

**WELLNESS AND PREVENTION EDUCATION**

This office educates the campus community on issues of health and wellness. In addition to working with individual students, Wellness and Prevention Education — part of the Dean of Students office — sponsors and supports on-campus programs and training on topics such as eating disorder awareness, drug and alcohol abuse, stress management, healthy relationships, and overall well-being. This office is dedicated to helping students make responsible, positive choices as they navigate their academic careers and social lives.

**PAVE TASK FORCE**  
(PREVENTION AND ANTI-VIOLENCE EDUCATION)

Under the direction of the Wellness and Prevention Education office, this student-led task force raises awareness about consent, violence prevention, and healthy relationships through outreach and education programs conducted for campus groups, clubs, classes, and community members.
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

All of the listed committees include faculty, student, and administrative members. If you are interested in serving on a committee, contact Student Council (x7452) or the Dean of Students Office (x7423).

Athletic Board: Assists the Director of Athletics, facilitates athletic conferences, reviews athletic policies, and advises on facility use.

Campus Climate Committee: Regularly assesses campus climate for staff, faculty, and students with regard to issues of diversity and inclusion; and periodically reviews and evaluates university harassment and other policies that concern diversity and inclusion, including a review of the implementation of those policies. The committee is composed, at a minimum, of two faculty, two staff, and one graduate and one undergraduate student, and will be chaired by a faculty member; the University’s Chief Officer of Diversity and Inclusion (CODI) serves as an ex officio member. The Committee will report its findings to the CODI and the Committee on Diversity and Inclusion, who will respond with appropriate recommendations and actions.

College Board: Reviews petitions for exceptions to academic regulations, interprets faculty legislation concerning academic issues, establishes grading options, establishes and reviews standards for the completion of degrees, and investigates allegations of plagiarism and breaches of academic integrity.

Faculty Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid: Works with the staff from the offices of Admissions and Financial Assistance to discuss policies and practices connected to these two offices.

Faculty Library Committee: Works with the University Librarian to review library policies and procedures to enhance services at Clark.

Committee on Diversity and Inclusion (CDI): Works with the Chief Officer of Diversity and Inclusion to recommend, to the President and Provost, programmatic and policy enhancements on issues of diversity and inclusion; members serve as advocates of diversity and inclusion initiatives to the campus community. The committee is composed, at minimum, of two faculty representatives from different disciplinary areas, one administrator or faculty member from an enterprise unit, two staff representatives from nonacademic units, one graduate student representative, and one undergraduate student representative.

Undergraduate Academic Board: Supervises “the educational policies of the College” (according to the Faculty Handbook, April 2010); this is a faculty committee of shared authority whose membership includes six faculty members — representing science, social sciences, and humanities — and two undergraduate students. It makes recommendations to the faculty concerning such policies, and approves major programs and new courses of study offered to undergraduates. Together with the Graduate Board, UAB reviews and approves Universitywide procedures for the external review of academic departments and programs. It also advises the President on appointments of Deans of the College.

University Conduct Board: Hears complaints against students related to violations of the Code of Student Conduct.
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STUDENT RIGHTS, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND UNIVERSITY CONDUCT PROCEDURES

Clark University, as a private liberal arts university, seeks to provide students with opportunities for intellectual and personal development in a community setting. To achieve this goal, which includes respect for others’ cultures and perspectives, students must have a shared sense of responsibility for the safety, health, and well-being of all community members.

The following information applies to all Clark University students. Other members of the community have similar documents outlining their responsibilities. Students who have a concern about a possible violation of their rights should see the Dean of Students. This section of the handbook will: 1) communicate students’ basic rights; 2) outline students’ responsibility to maintain those rights in a Code of Student Conduct; and 3) describe the conduct process used when a provision is violated.

STUDENT RIGHTS

Clark believes that students possess certain rights along with their responsibilities. These rights value both the individual and the community, and provide for student support and protection. At the same time, in order for students to exercise these rights, they must act responsibly, in accordance with University policies and procedures — including the Code of Student Conduct — and with local, state, and federal law.

Rights

- Clark University students have the right to an environment in which the University takes reasonable measures to offer students protection from foreseeable danger.
- Clark University students have the right to an environment conducive to the pursuit of academic requirements and interests.
- Clark University students have the right not to be unlawfully discriminated against by any agent, organization, or member of the Clark University community for reasons of age; creed; (dis)ability; ethnic or national origin; gender, gender identity, or gender expression; marital status; political or social affiliation; race; religion; or sexual orientation.
- Clark University students have the right to express their ideas, thoughts, and opinions, both individually and in the manners of forum or protest, without fear of censure or retribution from members of the Clark University community.
- Clark University students have the right to a reasonable expectation of privacy in their academic, cocurricular, and personal lives.
- Clark University students have the right to access and control access to their educational records as provided in the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, also known as FERPA.
- Clark University students have the right to bring forward a complaint if one has a good faith reason to believe that it is more likely than not that the rights or responsibilities derived from this document have been violated.
- Clark University students have the right to address all alleged violations of the University’s policies and procedures. The University’s conduct process follows procedures as defined in the Code of Student Conduct.
- Clark University students have the right to establish representative governmental bodies and to participate in University governance in accordance with the rules and procedures of the University.

CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

All Clark University students are expected to behave in ways that demonstrate their care, respect, and responsibility for the personal dignity, rights, and freedoms of all members of the community. They should also respect University property and the property of others. Adherence to the provisions of the Code, along with other University policies and laws outside the University, will ensure an environment of academic and personal growth for all members of the University. Since the University expects students to show good judgment and use common sense at all times, not all kinds of misconduct or behavioral standards are specifically identified in this handbook. In addition to meeting all academic requirements, a student’s disciplinary record must be in good standing in order to be eligible to receive a degree from the University. Clark may place a hold on the conferral of the degree, along with other student records, if any of the following exist with regard to a student’s disciplinary record: any pending disciplinary proceeding, any pending appeals of a disciplinary proceeding or sanction, or any pending or active sanctions.

HARASSMENT

Harassment includes conduct that has the intent or effect of unreasonably interfering with a person’s life in the Clark community. Examples of harassment may include, but are not limited to, intimidation, threats, stalking, slurs, derogatory graffiti, internet posting, email, text or cellphone communication, or any conduct that endangers the health, safety, or well-being of an individual or group. This behavior is a violation of the Code of Student Conduct and will be subject to conduct sanctions.

BIAS INCIDENTS

Clark University values diversity, inclusion, and an environment free from biased or discriminatory behavior. The University embraces diversity of all kinds and is committed to providing a safe, respectful, and equitable educational and work environment free of harassment and intimidation for all members of the Clark community. Further, the University is committed to identifying and implementing anti-racist
policies, procedures, and training with all members of the Clark community as part of its ongoing commitment to advance its mission with regards to equity and inclusion.

Bias Incidents are any behavior(s) or communication(s), motivated by hatred or prejudice, that demeans, degrades, harms, or harasses an individual or group based upon perceived or actual identification in a protected category as recognized by law or Clark University policy, including race, color, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, genetics, physical or mental disability, and veteran or other protected status. Mistreatment could also be based on non-protected categories, including, but not limited to: creed; marital status; political or social affiliation; or socioeconomic status.

**REPORTING A BIAS INCIDENT**

Clark takes seriously all acts of bias or discrimination of which it becomes aware and will respond quickly and thoroughly. The response includes assessing reports; investigating the incident; referring to the appropriate department(s) that may initiate a conduct process; and advising the Clark community of the incident when appropriate.

If you feel you are the victim of or have witnessed an incident of bias or discrimination, you are strongly encouraged to report the incident:

clarku.edu/offices/campus-safety-and-security/bias-incident-reporting/

You may also report the incident to one of the following offices:

**Dean of Students Office**
Shiai Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, 2nd Floor; 508-793-7423

**Office of Diversity and Inclusion**
Dana Commons, first floor; 508-793-7350

**International Students and Scholars Office**
142 Woodland Street, second floor; 508-793-7362

**Office of Residential Life and Housing**
Higgins University Center, third floor; 508-793-7453

**University Police**
Bullock Hall, lower level; 508-793-7575

In incidents where the person(s) engaging in bias or discriminatory behavior(s) are identifiable or suspected, the incident should be reported to University Police, the Dean of Students, and the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. An investigation of the incident will be conducted. If the person(s) engaging in bias or discriminatory behavior(s) remain unknown, the Dean of Students may inform the community of this incident and include in this announcement an opportunity to address the incident as a community.

**HATE CRIMES**

Acts constituting hate crimes, as defined by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 22C, Section 32, include “any criminal act coupled with overt actions motivated by bigotry and bias including, but not limited to, a threatened, attempted or completed overt act motivated at least in part by racial, religious, ethnic, handicap, gender or sexual orientation prejudice, or which otherwise deprives another person of his constitutional rights by threats, intimidation or coercion, or which seek to interfere with or disrupt a person’s exercise of constitutional rights through harassment or intimidation.” For purposes of this protocol, all hate crimes are considered a form of bias incident.

Chapter 265 Crimes Against the Person – Section 39 states in relevant part that it is illegal to commit a crime against one’s person or property with the intent to intimidate such person because of such person’s race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, or disability.

**HAZING**

Hazing is any conduct or method of initiation into any student organization, whether on public or private property, which endangers the physical or mental health of any student or participant. Such conduct includes, but is not limited to, whipping; beating; branding; forced calisthenics; exposure to weather; forced consumption of food, liquor, beverage, drug or other substance; or any other treatment or forced activity which humiliates, abuses, degrades or endangers the health and safety of any of the involved participants, regardless of their willingness to participate. Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) chapter 269, section 18, also states that anyone with knowledge that a hazing incident has occurred is obligated to report that incident. Clark University complies with the M.G.L. and National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) regulations prohibiting hazing. Copies of the Massachusetts law and/or NCAA regulations on hazing are available in the Athletics Department, Dean of Students Office, Dean of Graduate Studies Office (Jonas Clark Hall, room 116), and the Office of Student Leadership and Programming.

**PHYSICAL ASSAULT**

Physical assault or battery is any unwanted physical contact, or threat of contact, with harmful intent or result, by a Clark student against another individual. Physical assault includes, but is not limited to, attempting or committing an act that causes fear of injury; assault with a deadly weapon or with intent to murder, rape, or rob; physical harm against another person; insulting or provoking physical contact, or threatening
to commit a crime of violence or to damage property; and/or threatening another person with physical harm, verbally or physically.

**Alcohol**

Clark University prohibits the use, sale, provision, and distribution of alcohol, except as permitted by law, on any college-owned property, at any college activity or activity offered by an organization recognized by the college, or during any college-sponsored event or travel. The following items and activities are also prohibited on any college-owned property, at any college activity or activity offered by an organization recognized by the college, or during any college-sponsored event or travel. This policy applies to any form of alcohol.

- Underage persons: A person under the legal drinking age may not possess, consume, be under the influence of, or be in the presence of alcohol.
- Drinking games: Any activity or game that promotes or encourages the consumption of large amounts of alcohol is prohibited, including, but not limited to, activities such as beer pong, quarters, and flip cup.
- Alcohol paraphernalia: The possession of materials used in drinking games or activities that promote or encourage the consumption of large amounts of alcohol is prohibited, including, but not limited to, beer pong tables, beer funnels, and beer bongs. Paraphernalia may be confiscated by the University.
- Underage possession: The possession of alcohol by a person under the legal drinking age
- Underage consumption: The consumption of alcohol by a person under the legal drinking age
- In the presence of: Students under the legal drinking age are not allowed to knowingly be present in a space where alcohol is being consumed.
- Open containers: Consumption and possession of open containers of alcohol are prohibited in common areas of residential buildings, inside academic and administrative facilities, and outdoors on University property unless alcohol is being served in accordance with legal and University guidelines as part of an approved University event.
- Public intoxication: Committing an offense in a public place while intoxicated to the degree that the person may endanger oneself or another
- Communal sources of alcohol: Communal sources of alcohol — e.g., beer balls, kegs, punches, and Jell-O shots — are prohibited.
- Production of alcohol: Brewing or making alcohol is also prohibited in all University buildings.

**Illegal Drugs**

Clark does not tolerate the distribution, manufacturing, possession, sale, or use of illegal drugs or drug-related paraphernalia (e.g., bongs, pipes, etc.), including the improper use of prescription drugs. A student determined to have recently used, be under the influence of, or be using illegal drugs may be found in violation of this code. Usage may be indicated by, for example, odor, fans, or towels under the door. Infractions that involve the distribution of drugs may result in more severe sanctions. Clark retains the right to report all infractions of this code to local, state, and/or federal authorities. Any student who is in the presence of illegal drugs will be held accountable for possession and/or use, depending on the nature and circumstances of the incidents, unless it is clear from the incident report and/or information gathered during the hearing that the student was in no way aware of nor involved in a violation of the illegal drug policy.

Despite the adoption of medical marijuana legislation in Massachusetts, the possession, cultivation, and use of marijuana remains illegal under federal law, and permitting its use at Clark University would be a violation of the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act. Marijuana possession and/or use is not permitted anywhere on the Clark University campus, even with a valid prescription. Students with a documented medical reason and valid prescription for the use of marijuana may seek accommodations according to the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and should contact Student Accessibility Services, Residential Life and Housing, the Dean of Students Office, or the Dean of Graduate Studies for more information. These accommodations, if applicable, will not include the use or storage of marijuana and/or related paraphernalia on campus or in University-owned property.

**Medical Amnesty**

In cases of intoxication, alcohol poisoning, or suspected overdose, the primary concern is the health and safety of the person(s) involved. Individuals are strongly encouraged to call for medical assistance (508-793-7575 from your cellphone, x7575 from an on-campus phone, 911 if you are off campus) for themselves or for a friend/acquaintance who is dangerously intoxicated or under the influence.

No student seeking medical treatment for an alcohol or other drug-related overdose will be subject to the University conduct action for the sole violation of using or possessing alcohol or drugs. This policy shall extend to other students seeking help for the intoxicated student.

The medical amnesty policy does not preclude University or Worcester police from addressing serious violations of the law...
should they present themselves during medical intervention and/or hospital transport.

Students who are transported and/or treated for acute drug or alcohol intoxication will be expected to follow up with a university administrator as defined by the conduct process. Students found to have a significant substance abuse issue may be required to follow up with appropriate support services and/or take a leave of absence from the University to address this health concern. Students who choose not to attend these follow-up sessions may be held responsible for “Noncompliance with University Officials” according to the Code of Student Conduct.

Students who are transported and/or treated for acute drug or alcohol intoxication multiple times during their tenure at Clark University may be required to complete additional follow-up with appropriate services and/or take a leave of absence from the University to address this health concern.

**Noncompliance with University Officials**
Students are required to comply with reasonable directives or requests from University student staff or University officials acting in the performance of their duties. Noncompliance also includes all acts of dishonesty, including but not limited to personal misrepresentation and knowingly furnishing false information to the University.

**Identification**
Students and their guests are required to carry proper identification at all times while on University property and are expected to comply with any requests made by University student staff and/or University officials to show identification.

**Joint Responsibility**
Any student who assists another person in the commission or attempted commission of a violation of the Code of Student Conduct or other University policy may be held jointly responsible. This includes hosting a nonstudent who commits a violation.

**Creating Dangerous or Unhealthy Conditions**
Creating dangerous or unhealthy conditions for yourself or others threatens the community and is prohibited. Examples of such behavior include, but are not limited to:
- exposing others to biohazards such as bodily fluids or wastes
- drugging another person’s food or drink
- possession or unauthorized use of flammable, corrosive, or poisonous chemicals on University premises
- possession of firearms, explosives, or other weapons
- tampering with any fire or safety equipment or fixtures
- tampering with door locks, peepholes, or emergency doors (including propping doors open)
- inappropriate use of windows (e.g., as an entrance or exit, or throwing things from or out of)
- lending a Clark card or key to allow an unauthorized person(s) entry to a residence hall or house

**Abuse of Property**
Abuse of property may include damaging, destroying, misappropriating, misusing, or improperly accessing (including unauthorized entry) University buildings, grounds, equipment, computing resources, educational materials, or the personal belongings of others.

**Theft**
Students are expected to respect property belonging to other people as well as property of the University or its affiliates (e.g., Sodexo). Students must never take possession of another person’s property without the express permission of the owner. Violations of this policy include, but are not limited to, theft of University property; theft from a member of the University community or a campus visitor; and/or intentionally, recklessly, or negligently causing damage to the property of the University or an individual. Students found responsible for theft will be expected to provide adequate restitution and will face appropriate conduct action.

**Appropriate Use of Clark’s Information Technology Systems (AUP)**
Clark has an Appropriate Use Policy (AUP) to protect the shared computing and information resources for all of campus. Students agree to the University’s AUP when they use any Clark computing resource, including the Clark network. The full AUP is available online at clarku.edu/its-policies.

**Disruption**
Students may not disrupt the orderly processes of the University that involve teaching, research, administration, disciplinary proceedings, or other activities. Disruptive actions include, but are not limited to, unauthorized entry into private offices, work areas, teaching areas, libraries, or social facilities.

It is also a violation to deprive anyone who is exhibiting freedom of expression the opportunity to speak or be heard, to physically obstruct their movement, or to otherwise interfere with academic freedom.

Disruption includes conduct that is disorderly, annoying, disruptive, lewd, overly aggressive, obscene, or which causes alarm.

** Forgery and Unauthorized Duplication**
The forgery, alteration, or unauthorized possession or use of official documents, records, and instruments of identification is prohibited (i.e., Clark credentials). This includes acts of personal misrepresentation and knowingly furnishing false information to the University. In addition, the duplication of University keys is not allowed.
CENSORSHIP OF THE MEDIA
Censoring the press or broadcast media, which includes but is not limited to impeding the circulation of printed media, is prohibited.

CLARK UNIVERSITY SMOKE-FREE POLICY
Clark University strives to create a community and atmosphere of mutual respect and wellness, as free from hazards as possible. Issues affecting the health, safety, and well-being of Clark University community members are important to mitigate wherever possible. Research findings have clearly shown smoking and exposures to secondhand smoke by non-users constitute a significant health hazard. Clark University recognizes its obligation to promote a healthy learning and working environment for the students, employees, and visitors on campus. As part of the Healthy Clark Commitment, it is important everyone participate in the establishment and maintenance of our smoke-free campus. This shared responsibility will ensure a healthy environment for all of us.

As of August 18, 2020, smoking of any kind, including any electronic nicotine-delivery system or smoking device, is prohibited for the entire campus community in or within close proximity to all facilities, Clark-owned or -leased properties, and areas occupied or controlled by the University. This includes, but is not limited to, all common work areas, elevators, hallways, university-owned or -leased vehicles (including parked on campus grounds), garages, restrooms, cafeterias or dining areas, lounges, conference and meeting rooms, all enclosed areas in the workplace, parking lots, quads, the Green, grounds, rooftops, plazas, courtyards, entrance and exit ways, athletic fields, the Athletic and Recreation complex, bus stops, and any other areas of the university campus. This policy applies to all faculty, staff, students, alumni, guests, visitors, vendors, and contractors, and it is our collective responsibility to observe and enforce the smoking policy while on Clark University’s campus. In implementing and enforcing this policy, common courtesy and consideration toward others should be exercised.

GAMBLING
According to the Massachusetts General Laws, gambling is defined as any unsanctioned game of chance where currency, property, and/or services are exchanged. Gambling, including taking or placing bets or payoffs, is prohibited.

DEPARTMENTAL REGULATIONS
Members of the community are expected to abide by established regulations. This includes the operating regulations of academic or nonacademic offices, laboratories, and campus departments. Departmental policies are available in this document, on individual websites, and/or at the specific offices.

EMAIL COMMUNICATION
The University communicates important information and business via your @clarku.edu email address. Students are responsible for all information sent to this email address.

RESPONSIBILITY OF HOSTS
Hosts must be able to account for the whereabouts of their guests at all times, and hosts assume responsibility for their guest’s actions and behaviors. Guests must abide by the rules, regulations, and standards of the campus community. Guests may be asked to leave campus at the discretion of a University official.

EXTERNAL COMMUNITY
Clark students are responsible for their behavior even outside the confines of the University. The University may invoke disciplinary action when notified of violations of federal, state, and local laws and/or the Student Code of Conduct, whether violations occur on or off campus.

In addition, students who are studying abroad or away from campus are expected to conduct themselves according to the policies and expectations outlined in the Student Code of Conduct and the Study Abroad “Statement of Responsibility and Release of Liability” contract. Students are expected to follow the academic and behavioral expectations outlined by their host programs. Students participating in an away or abroad program are subject to disciplinary action by their host programs and/or Clark University. Charges that allege violations of academic integrity while abroad or away will also be reviewed by the College Board, and Clark’s typical sanctions may apply. Students should be advised that removal from a study abroad or away program, or the revocation of admission into a similar program under these conditions, may have financial implications for which they will be held responsible. Costs may include payments made by the student in preparation for their travel as well as nonrefundable deposits paid to or by the University and/or its partner programs.

RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY STANDARDS AND POLICIES
In addition to the University policy and the undergraduate and graduate housing contracts, students residing on campus are expected to respect the following standards, which are in place to help protect individual rights and freedoms and to promote a safe, comfortable, and enriching living environment for all students.

ANIMALS
Animals or pets (except for fish) are not permitted in residence halls or houses at any time. Fish tanks may be no more than 10 gallons (37 liters) and must be approved by a student’s roommate. Animals cannot visit residence halls or be inside a student’s room at any time or for any reason. Violations of
the pet policy will result in a $50 fine for the first offense and $100 for each subsequent offense. Please see page 36 for more information.

EMOTIONAL SUPPORT AND SERVICE ANIMALS
Service animals, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, are permitted both on campus and within University housing following approval by the Director of Student Accessibility Services and with input from the Director of Residential Life and Housing. Emotional Support Animals, in accordance with the Fair Housing Act, are permitted within University housing following similar approval procedures. All requests for accommodations must be made at least 30 days prior to the arrival of the student to residency.

APPLIANCES
All appliances used or stored in on-campus housing must be UL-approved (see Prohibited and Approved Items in the Living on Campus section). For health and safety reasons, the Worcester Health Department prohibits the use of cooking appliances such as hot pots, electric frying pans, charcoal/gas grills, microwave ovens (except for MicroFridge units), popcorn poppers, toaster, or toaster ovens in the residence hall/house rooms. These items may be stored in student rooms, but their use within a private room is prohibited. All University houses and residence halls have kitchen facilities where students may use these types of appliances. Refrigerators that are UL-approved and no larger than 5 cubic feet are permitted, but limited to one unit per room. Heaters, air conditioners, dishwashers, laundry machines, and other large appliances that are not approved by the University are not permitted. Residential Life and Housing staff reserve the right to confiscate or ask a student to remove a prohibited item from the residence halls/houses.

BALCONIES/ROOFS/LEDGES
For safety reasons, students are prohibited from rooftops, ledges, and overhangs on any residential building. Balconies in RLH houses are locked and may not be used as they are unsafe for occupancy. Students found accessing or misusing a balcony, rooftop, ledge, or overhang will be subject to a $100 fine. Any subsequent violations may result in relocation or removal from University housing.

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY
In the event of a fire or other alarm, all residents and guests are expected to vacate the residence hall/house and gather at least 40 feet (12 meters) away from the building or where instructed by a University official. No one may re-enter the building without permission from a RLH staff member or University Police officer.

Fire doors may not be propped open and stairwells, hallways, and exits must remain clear of obstructions. Students may not hang items from a smoke detector, sprinkler pipes, or ceiling. Disabling or tampering with a smoke detector, sprinkler, fire extinguisher, or other safety equipment is a violation of federal law and prohibited.

Fire law forbids the storage of gasoline-containing vehicles (e.g., motorcycles) in, or within 40 feet (12 meters) of, residences. Halogen lamps, lava lamps, candles, incense, and oil lamps also are prohibited in residential areas. Students may not use extension cords except for UL-approved power strips or multiplugs with internal fuses. Connecting multiple power strips and/or multiplugs is also prohibited.

Combustibles, corrosives, or flammable liquids and substances of any type (e.g., fuel, kerosene, propane oil, paint thinner, sterno, or charcoal) are prohibited from being used or stored in residential facilities. Students working on art projects as part of their coursework are permitted to possess small quantities of approved materials as long as they are stored safely. Possession, manufacture, or use of fireworks or explosives on University property is expressly forbidden. Use of an open flame is not permitted indoors or within 20 feet (6 meters) of a residence hall/house.

Fire and life safety violations are subject to a $100 fine.

FURNITURE
Each student room contains a bed frame, mattress, desk, desk chair, and wardrobe/closet. The furniture that is provided in your room must remain there for the entire academic year. It may not be removed from the building, moved to storage, or moved to another room or location. You may not bring your own bed/mattress unless otherwise approved. Lofting of the bed/mattress is not allowed for fire safety reasons. Any additional furniture brought into the space must be California Fire Code approved and is required to be removed by the student who owns the furniture upon their departure from university housing. Students will be held financially responsible for any furniture that is missing or damaged at the end of the academic year. Furniture is provided in most of the lounges and study rooms in
each residence hall and house for the use of all residents, and is expected to remain in its designated location. Removal or misuse of community furniture or other fixtures will result in a $100 fine in addition to any damage, relocation, or replacement costs.

GUESTS
A guest is defined as any person in a residential building who is not currently assigned to a residential space in Clark University housing or who is present in any residential space they are not assigned to. Guests need to carry identification at all times and must comply with requests to see their identification by any University official.

Residents may not have more than one (1) guest for every room at any given time without approval from RLH professional staff.

First-year students are not permitted to have overnight guests during the first two (2) weeks of the fall semester or during reading days of either the fall or spring semester.

Residents:
• are responsible for ensuring that their guests know and comply with University policies
• must accompany guests at all times
• will be held responsible for their guests’ behavior

University officials may require guests to leave an on-campus residence.

Guests may only stay overnight in a residence hall/house room with permission of all the room occupants. A guest may not stay overnight on campus for more than three (3) consecutive days per month and no more than 14 total days each semester. Persons who have been removed from on-campus housing for any reason may not return as overnight guests following their removal.

HALL SPORTS
In order to prevent injury to students and damage to fire equipment and the building, playing any sports in the hallways, common spaces, or individual rooms of any University housing is prohibited.

KEYS AND SECURITY
Your key and Clark OneCard are property of the University and are on loan to you, exclusively for your own use. Irresponsible use or handling of keys and OneCards, including giving your key or OneCard to another person for the purpose of gaining unauthorized entry into a residential building or room, is prohibited. Duplication of keys is not permitted.

Granting a nonresident access to a building jeopardizes the security of the residence hall/house and those who reside there. Doors to residence halls/houses cannot be propped open. Individuals who are permitted to access the building will be able to do so with their keys or OneCards, and guests must be met by their hosts at the entrance.

Students are permitted one excused lock-out per academic year. A second lock-out will result in an educational meeting with your RLH Professional Staff member. Subsequent lock-outs will result in a $25 service charge.

KITCHENS AND COOKING
Students are permitted to cook in the kitchen areas of the residence halls and/or their apartments. The safety of the residence hall community must always be the most important priority for students who decide to use these cooking spaces.

The following kitchen use guidelines must be followed:
1. If you are cooking or baking, you must stay within sight of the cooking appliance(s) you are using. Students cooking in the common area kitchens must never leave the kitchen area while food is being cooked or the oven/burners are in operation. A fire or smoke-related incident that starts because a student was not paying attention to their cooking is not considered an accident, but rather an incident of unsafe and negligent use of the kitchen facility. In these cases, students may be responsible for damage costs.
2. Students who cook and/or use the kitchen facilities are required to clean that area immediately. Common area kitchens are for the benefit of all community members. Leaving a mess in this area prevents others from taking advantage of this space.
3. Student-owned appliances and other cooking materials must be UL-approved and in good, safe working condition. Large knives, deep frying vats, and other appliances/utensils that may be considered unsafe in a residential community may be confiscated at the discretion of Residential Life and Housing staff members.
4. The act of cooking is prohibited inside a residence hall or house bedroom and can only be done inside a designated kitchen. Students may not use electric hotplates, skillets, broiler ovens, slow cookers, toaster, sandwich presses, grills, toaster ovens, or similar appliances in their rooms, but may store these items (unplugged) in their rooms for appropriate use in the kitchen facilities. Students can heat items in a MicroFridge microwave in their rooms, but are still required to take caution and care when using this appliance. Overheated foods like leftovers and popcorn can cause extreme smoke to form in a room or hallway and trigger the fire alarm.
5. Students in areas with secured shared kitchens are only granted card access to these facilities if they follow all safety guidelines. Students who fail to observe these kitchen and cooking safety policies may lose their kitchen access rights for a time deemed appropriate through the conduct process.

LOUNGES
Social and study lounges are provided for the use of all students living in a residence hall or house as places to gather on a spontaneous basis for social and academic pursuits and for RLH programming efforts. No resident or guest may use lounges for
sleeping or overnight accommodations. Social lounges may be reserved for meetings with permission from RLH. Please see Social Lounge Reservation Policy on page 48.

MAINTENANCE AND DAMAGES
Residents are expected to keep their assigned living spaces in reasonably clean and safe condition. Residents may be held responsible for any repair or replacement costs incurred to the living spaces or furnishings during their period of occupancy.

Damages or vandalism to communal areas of a residence hall or house (e.g., study and social lounges, kitchens, laundry rooms, hallways, bulletin boards, etc.) will result in disciplinary action and financial restitution for repairs or replacement of property. If damages cannot be attributed to specific individuals, costs will be shared among all residents occupying the building at the time of the incident.

Modification of permanent fixtures and furniture in rooms and common areas is prohibited. This includes changing plumbing fixtures, such as shower heads, modifying electrical outlets or fixtures, modifying heating systems, changing window treatments, etc. If you have concerns about the fixtures and items provided by Clark University, please contact Residential Life and Housing or Facilities Management. Only removable adhesives that do not cause damage or leave marks can be used to hang objects on walls. Do not use scotch or masking tape, or push-pins in woodwork.

Trash and recycling may be disposed of only in designated collection areas in and outside of University housing.

NOISE
For the residential environment to be safe and comfortable, University residents must be respectful and considerate of the rights of other students. Stereos, televisions, musical instruments, radios, and other noises must not disturb residents who are sleeping or studying.

Quiet Hours are Sunday through Thursday, 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., and Friday through Saturday, 1 a.m. to 9 a.m. These hours must be observed both inside and directly outside of on-campus housing. During Quiet Hours, noise must be kept at a low level and not be heard outside of a resident’s room/suite/apartment.

Courtesy Hours are in effect at all other times. During Courtesy Hours, any resident approached for excessive noise by other students or University staff is expected to comply with the request as if it were Quiet Hours.

During reading days and final exams, 22-hour Quiet Hours will be in effect, with Courtesy Hours from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Amplified musical instruments or amplified music may not be played in University housing. Students are encouraged to use the music practice rooms available in certain academic buildings, such as Estabrook Hall or the Traina Center for the Arts.

OCCUPANCY
Students are expected to reside in their assigned room consistently or otherwise cancel their housing contract and/or petition for an official release from their housing contract. Occupancy of a room is limited to the resident(s) assigned to that room and a resident may not sublet, loan, transfer, or contract their housing to another person. All room changes must be approved by RLH staff. Students who commit unauthorized room changes will be required to return to their assigned space and may face disciplinary action.

Students may not remain in on-campus housing during announced University closings without the approval of RLH. Residents are expected to leave the building within 24 hours of their last exam at the end of the semester, and must vacate their rooms and remove all personal belongings at the end of the academic year. Any resident who moves to another space on campus or leaves University housing is required to properly check out of their previously assigned room by returning any issued keys and completing the necessary paperwork with RLH staff. Students who do not check out properly forfeit their right to contest damage or cleaning charges. Should a resident’s housing contract be canceled for disciplinary or other reasons, or if the resident withdraws or goes on leave of absence from the University, they are expected to vacate their on-campus housing assignment within 72 hours.

SALES AND SOLICITATION
Use of on-campus housing and/or residential phone and data lines to conduct a business or commercial enterprise is prohibited.

Unauthorized distribution of information in on-campus housing, or soliciting door-to-door, is not permitted without appropriate approval of RLH professional staff. Approval for door-to-door solicitation is limited to Student Council, Hall Council, recognized student organizations, and residential life programs. Outside vendors and/or organizations are not permitted to solicit within University residence halls and houses.

SMOKING
Smoking of any substance is prohibited. Students who are found smoking in, directly outside of, or possessing evidence of having smoked in a residence hall/house (i.e., ashtray with cigarettes, the odor or visible presence of cigarette smoke, extinguished cigarettes, etc.) may be subject to a $100 fine. Subsequent violations will result in a $100 fine and may include administrative relocation or removal from University housing. In cases where tobacco smoke is present at large gatherings, all students present may be held accountable for violating the smoking policy. Clark University’s smoking policy also includes the use of any electronic tobacco delivery systems, electronic vaping devices, personal vaporizer (PV), or electronic nicotine delivery system (ENDS) (i.e., e-cigarettes).
WINDOWS AND SCREENS
For safety and security purposes, screens must remain in windows and closed at all times. Objects cannot be thrown from windows. Windows may not be used as an entrance or exit, nor can windows be used to pass materials in or out of the room/residence hall/house.

Students found tampering with or misusing windows and screens will be subject to a $100 fine. Any subsequent violations may result in relocation or removal from University housing.

Placing items in windows, whether outward or inward facing, is prohibited. At times, students may choose to express themselves within their residential unit on indoor surfaces, including interior outward facing room doors. The University expects that such expression be respectful and appropriate for a diverse community and not defame specific individuals or groups that is incompatible with the Clark’s Freedom of Expression Statement. In situations where concerns regarding the content of the expression are raised, Clark University staff members may discuss with students the appropriateness of the decoration and its impact on the community.

UNIVERSITY CONDUCT PROCEDURES
The University conduct system shall respond to complaints concerning the infringement of students’ rights and alleged violations of the Code of Student Conduct by students or student groups.

Students who do not wish to bring a complaint to the University conduct system may attempt to resolve the matter informally with the assistance of a member of the Dean of Students staff, a faculty member, counselor, peer, or a member of the University Police Department.

Students wishing to bring forth a complaint against a faculty or staff member should refer to the University’s Title IX Policy.

INVOCATION OF CONDUCT ACTION
Any member of the Clark community may initiate the University’s conduct process. For this to occur, a formal complaint must be submitted to the Dean of Students Office or Residential Life & Housing, in writing, alleging that a student was responsible for one or more specific violations of the Code of Student Conduct. Community members submitting a complaint should also include the names of any members who witnessed the alleged events so that they can be contacted, at the discretion of Conduct Staff, to submit personal statements. The University may, at its discretion, initiate the University’s conduct process on its own behalf or on behalf of other persons based on the information that is shared.

ADMINISTRATIVE DISPOSITION AND UNIVERSITY CONDUCT BOARD
A complaint that involves a possible violation of the Code of Student Conduct may be handled by the Dean of Students, the Dean’s designee, or the University Conduct Board (UCB), except in sexual violence cases. The University reserves the right to refer cases to civil or criminal authorities for action, rather than resolve the case through the University conduct system.

The University’s conduct process is as follows:

A. A member of the Conduct Staff will determine if conduct action is warranted based on a review of all information provided by the complainant.

B. If conduct action is warranted the case will be handled by either a Hearing Officer or a Board.

1. In cases where a case is heard by a Hearing Officer, the Hearing Officer will consult with the respondent in a meeting to hear about the alleged incident from their perspective. During the meeting the respondent will determine whether they wish to accept responsibility for the alleged violation(s) of the Code of Student Conduct.

   a. If the student accepts responsibility for the alleged violation(s), the staff member may, when appropriate, impose appropriate sanction(s). The final decision will be shared in writing and delivered to the student via email.

   b. If the student denies responsibility for the alleged violation(s), the Hearing Officer will determine if there is sufficient information available to find the student responsible for the violation(s) regardless of the denial. If so, the Hearing Officer will make the decision and impose appropriate sanction(s). Under this circumstance, the student will have the opportunity to appeal the decision to the Dean or their designee. The student has three (3) business days to send a written appeal to the designated university official stating that the processes outlined in the Code of Student Conduct were not followed, or that there is new information that was not available at the time of the original meeting. Appeals of conduct cases are heard by the Dean of Students or their designee.

2. The Conduct Staff member may choose to refer the matter to the UCB for resolution by a Board hearing. Students who are documented for the same alleged violation(s) on multiple occasions will have their hearings referred to the UCB for a Board hearing. For cases in which a sanction of removal from University housing, suspension, dismissal, or expulsion is a possibility, a resolution generally will be made by a full Board hearing or a modified Administrative Board hearing. A student named in a complaint may request a Board hearing, which the University will make every possible effort to grant. Students involved in sexual violence cases will automatically have their hearing referred to the Title IX Office.
3. For certain violations hearing officers may determine responsibility based solely on an incident report. In these cases, students will receive an outcome letter via their Clark email address, which will include instructions on how to appeal.

UNIVERSITY CONDUCT BOARD MEMBERSHIP
The entire membership of the UCB includes students, faculty members, administrators, and the Chair of the Board, who is appointed by the Dean of Students or their designee. A UCB has three forms of membership. Full Hearing Boards will consist of students, faculty and staff. Simplified Hearing Boards consist of one or two students and one or two administrators for a total of three members. Administrative Hearing Boards consist of two administrators. Determination of which type of hearing board will proceed is at the discretion of the Dean of Students or their designee. The following procedures apply to all forms of hearing boards, unless specified.

A. The faculty steering committee will appoint faculty members to serve on the UCB Full Hearing Board.
B. The student members of the UCB shall be determined through an application process and appointed by a committee consisting of at least one administrator appointed by the Dean of Students or their designee. Student UCB members must be in good academic and disciplinary standing and remain so during the duration of their service.
C. The Dean of Students or their designee shall appoint administrators to serve on the UCB. The administrators will rotate their participation at hearings, with one member generally sitting at each hearing. Faculty members serving on the board are appointed the Faculty Steering Committee.
D. A Board member may resign by notifying the Chair in writing.
E. A Board member may withdraw from being assigned to hearing a specific case by notifying the Chair in writing. A member shall withdraw from a case if there is a conflict of interest involved as determined by the Chair.
F. A Board member may be removed from the UCB by the UCB Chair, for cause.

UNIVERSITY CONDUCT BOARD PROCEDURE
A. Upon receiving a referral of a case for resolution, the Dean of Students or their designee will determine that the case be referred to either a Full Hearing Board, a Simplified Board Hearing, or an Administrative Board Hearing. In either case, the Chair will notify all involved students and the Board members of the scheduled hearing.
B. All cases referred to the UCB will be handled as soon as is practical.
C. Both the complainant and the respondent will have a prehearing meeting scheduled for them with the prehearing officer, who is usually the UCB Chair. During this meeting, the Chair will review Board procedure and both parties will have the opportunity to be read the written complaint. In UCB cases the respondent does have the option to accept responsibility and to have sanctions imposed by the prehearing officer.
D. Both parties will have access to review the full case file prior to the hearing. A time will be scheduled by the UCB Chair in advance and the students will be notified during the prehearing of their scheduled time.
E. Both the complainant and the respondent may request the assistance of an adviser, an individual of the student’s choosing from within the Clark community. If the adviser will attend the hearing, their name must be shared with the Chair at least 24 hours in advance of the hearing. During the hearing, the adviser’s role will be limited to consultation with the advisee.
F. During the hearing, normally only the complainant, the respondent, Board members, approved witnesses, and the advisers will be present. Witnesses shall only be present when sharing information with the Board, except at the discretion of the UCB Chair. Once witnesses have presented their information to the Board, they must leave the vicinity of the hearing.
G. The UCB may require the cooperation of any member of the Clark community in providing information during the hearing. However, no member of the University staff with whom the respondent has entered into a confidential relationship can be required to give information arising from that role without the permission of the respondent.
H. During a hearing, the Board will allow the complainant and the respondent to share information and to ask questions of each other directly or through the UCB Chair, at the discretion of the Chair. The complainant and the respondent may also ask questions of witnesses, either directly or through the UCB Chair, at the discretion of the Chair. Names of witnesses being requested by either party must be shared with the Chair at least 72 business hours in advance of the hearing. All witnesses must provide the Chair with their written statements 48 business hours prior to the hearing. The Chair will call witnesses to the hearing at their discretion.
I. All information shared at the hearing is recorded; however, the Board’s deliberation is not recorded.
J. If the respondent chooses not to speak at or attend the hearing, the UCB procedures will still be followed and sanctions, if appropriate, will be imposed.
K. The UCB Chair may remove any individual who impedes the conduct process. The Chair will act to promote a civil and respectful proceeding.
L. At any point in time, either the respondent, complainant, or members of the Board may request a short recess. The UCB Chair will determine whether to grant that request and for how long. If a recess is granted, the hearing will begin at the
announced time without delay.

M. Hearings invoke an evidentiary standard of “preponderance of the evidence” when determining whether a violation has occurred.

N. Following the completion of the hearing, the Board members shall decide by majority vote whether the respondent was responsible for the violation(s) of the Code of Student Conduct. If the decision is affirmative, the Board members will, by a separate vote, determine the sanction, if one is deemed appropriate.

O. If, in the course of a hearing, information arises indicating a possible violation of another provision of the Code of Student Conduct, the University reserves the right to pursue that in a separate hearing process.

P. At the conclusion of the conduct proceeding the UCB Chair shall share the final decision with the respondent, delivered by email to the respondent’s Clark email account.

Q. The UCB Chair will notify the complainant of the decision and any portion of a sanction that limits contact between the complainant and the respondent.

CONDUCT SANCTIONS
The student conduct process at Clark University approaches violations from an educational perspective. The Code of Student Conduct encourages personal responsibility and accountability, always being mindful of an individual’s or group’s impact on the community. The sanctioning process provides an opportunity for students to reflect on their choices and the consequences of those actions, and to make amends to the community.

1. Verbal Warning: A verbal warning is typically used in cases where a formal written warning is not necessary due to the severity of the violation. These warnings are documented so that the UCB/hearing officer has a record it took place.

2. Written Warning: A letter to a student indicating that they are being held responsible for a violation of policy in the Code of Student Conduct. Typically written warnings are for first-time violations and serve as a formal reminder of community expectations. Future violations may result in more severe sanctions.

3. Disciplinary Warning: A letter to a student indicating that they are being held responsible for a violation of policy in the Code of Student Conduct. This sanction will be in effect for a specified period. Should the student again be found in violation of the Code of Student Conduct during this period of sanction, the Dean or Dean’s designee may impose an additional sanction to reflect a repeated offense.

4. Disciplinary Probation: Formal notice that a student’s status at the University is in jeopardy due to one or more violations of the Code of Student Conduct. This sanction will be in effect for a specified period. Should a student on this sanction be found in violation of another policy during the period of this sanction, the dean or dean’s designee may impose a sanction that may include “removal from University housing,” “suspension from the University,” or “expulsion from the University.” While on probation, a student is not permitted to serve as a member of the Student Council or a standing University committee; as an executive board member of a student organization; or on the residential life or orientation staffs. Students should be aware that disciplinary probation also may affect their eligibility to study abroad.

5. Suspension from the University: Temporary separation from the University, without financial reimbursement, for a specified period, after which the student may resume their studies without application for readmission. A suspended student may not engage in University activities nor use any University facilities.

6. Dismissal from the University: Temporary separation from the University, without financial reimbursement, for a specified period, after which the student may resume their studies after an interview with the Dean of Students and their designee. A dismissed student may not engage in University activities nor use any University facilities.

7. Expulsion from the University: Permanent dismissal from the University, without financial reimbursement and without the right to return. An expelled student no longer has the privileges of matriculated students and may not engage in University activities or use any University facilities.

8. Family Notification: When appropriate please be aware that a student’s parent(s)/guardian(s) may be notified of their participation in the University Conduct System. Students are encouraged to discuss their violations with their parent(s)/guardian(s) prior to their receipt of a letter from the Dean or their designee.

9. Banned from Campus: For a definite or indefinite period of time the student is restricted from all or a portion of any University premises or University-sponsored activity.

10. Individualized Sanctions: Special sanctions directly related to individual cases. These may be imposed in place of, or in addition to, other imposed sanctions. Examples include, but are not limited to:
- Substance abuse counseling and/or education (which may involve a fee for service)
- Restitution (payment for property loss or damage)
- Community service
- Relocation to another campus residence
- Removal from University housing without financial reimbursement, and/or loss of visitation rights
- Loss of guest privileges
- Educational project or essay

11. Disciplinary Hold: An administrative hold placed on a student’s record if the student has not completed a
disciplinary sanction, or has withdrawn from the University prior to the resolution of an informal conference or formal disciplinary hearing.

**Note:** In cases where alcohol paraphernalia is confiscated, items may be returned. In cases where drugs and/or drug paraphernalia were confiscated items will not be returned by University Police. In addition, confiscated items that are considered illegal in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts will not be returned (certain knives, fireworks, etc.).

**INTERIM MEASURES**

At times, it may become necessary to restrict a student’s or organization’s privileges and prohibit contact with specified individuals and take other interim measures. Violation of interim measures is considered a violation of the Student Code of Conduct and may result in University action.

**INTERIM SUSPENSION**

An interim suspension may be imposed by the Dean of Students or their designee for any of the following reasons:

A) To ensure the safety and well-being of the members of the University community

B) To ensure a student’s own safety or well-being

C) If a student poses a substantial threat of disruption or interference with the normal operations of the University

While interim suspension status is in effect, a student may be denied access to classes, activities, and facilities until the conduct case has been resolved or the review by the Provost or their designee has been completed.

**NO CONTACT ORDER**

A University no contact order is issued by the Dean of Students or their designee. This order is issued when it is believed necessary to protect a person’s safety and preserve a peaceful environment for all students to work, study, and live on campus.

**CONDUCT REVIEW PROCESS**

1. A University no contact order is issued by the Dean of Students or their designee. This order is issued when it is believed necessary to protect a person’s safety and preserve a peaceful environment for all students to work, study, and live on campus.

2. Both a complainant and/or a respondent may request that the University Conduct Board decision(s) be reviewed. In these cases, the Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, or their designee, will review the Board’s decision on the following grounds:

   - New information, which was not available in the original hearing, is being introduced. In cases where new information is introduced, the Provost or their designee may refer the case back to the Board. Dissatisfaction with the conduct decision or sanction is not grounds for an appeal.
   - Material failure to follow standard procedures as outlined in the Code of Student Conduct.

3. In order to request a review, the respondent or complainant must email the Dean of Students or their designee a written request and the reasons on which the appeal is based within three (3) business days after receipt of the Board’s decision.

4. The Dean of Students or their designee may, at their discretion, meet with the respondent and complainant. They shall have the sole discretion in accepting or rejecting a case for review based on the grounds for appeal stated above, obtaining additional information relative to the case, and upholding, reversing, or amending the sanction or decision of the Board. The Provost or their designee may also request that an ad hoc body review the case and make recommendations prior to making a final decision on the matter.

5. While the decision of the Dean of Students or their designee will be considered to be final, the President of the University reserves the right to amend or alter all administrative and conduct decisions of the University.

**CONDUCT RECORDS**

1. An electronic file, as well as the hearing tape or transcript thereof, will be maintained by the conduct system on each case presented for a period of five (5) years from the date of the decision. The file will include all related documents and correspondence.

2. All information contained in these files shall be confidential, with the following exceptions: members of the Dean of Students Office staff will have access to the files, Board members will have access to appropriate files though the chair, and the respondent in a case shall have access to their records, if any, and to documents accepted into evidence. If an appeal is made, the entire case file will be made available to the Provost or their designee.

   a. The recording of a Board case can be accessed (limited to listening to the audio recording of the Board’s hearing in a space designated by the Chair) by both the complainant and respondent in order to formulate an appeal.

   b. Information concerning disciplinary action may be made available, as necessary, to other appropriate parties at Clark, including University Police, the Athletics Department, the Title IX Coordinator, University Counsel, and the offices of the Dean of the College, Dean of Graduate Studies, International Students and Scholars, and Study Abroad. Legitimate requests for “good standing status” from Student Council and University Officials are honored by the Dean of Students. In addition, students applying to professional schools, transfer institutions, governmental agencies, or the military should know that such information is routinely requested by them concerning their applicants. As part of the application process to these programs students often provide formal permission for the release of confidential information. It will be assumed that a request for a dean’s recommendation provides implied permission for release of this information.
CAMPUS EVENTS

ENTERTAINMENT CONTRACTS
Any student group looking to use its budget to pay for an entertainer (band, lecturer, etc.) must contact the Office of Student Leadership and Programming (SLP) to make an offer to the entertainer’s agency. SLP must negotiate all contracts. If an entertainer does not have their own contract, the Office of Student Leadership and Programming has contracts to use. For questions, contact the Office of Student Leadership and Programming at x7549.

RESERVATIONS
Room reservations for student organization events must be scheduled through the ENGAGE online system. Organizations that are formally recognized by the University may schedule events. All building/room capacities and University policies must be adhered to for the duration of the event.

ENDING TIME FOR EVENTS
All events must end by 2 a.m. Requests for extensions to this policy should be made to the Office of Student Leadership and Programming and the Events Planning Office at least two weeks prior to the date of the event.

ADMISSION TO EVENTS
If admission is being charged at an event, all proceeds must be given to the student organization sponsoring the event; students may not organize events as personal fundraisers. University Police may be requisitioned and present at the door. The Accounts Payable office documents receipts of all revenue. Authorization to collect admission to events on campus must be obtained from the Office of Student Leadership and Programming. Social functions are open to Clark students, their registered guests, and Worcester Consortium students, unless otherwise noted. Current college IDs are required.

IDENTIFICATION POLICY
To gain entry into any University event, you may be asked/required to show a current Clark OneCard or a consortium college ID (if applicable).

GUEST POLICY
You may sign in one (1) guest under your current Clark OneCard to most student social functions.

Student groups that wish to allow non-Clark students to attend a late-night social event (as determined by the Office of Student Leadership and Programming) must notify SLP 10 business days prior to the event.

Clark students may register only one (1) guest per event for late-night social events open to non-Clark students. For such events, the Office of Student Leadership and Programming will provide the event sponsor with a link to an online "Guest Preregistration" survey that is specific to the event. It is the responsibility of the sponsoring club to publicize this link.

The guest registration survey will remain active until one (1) hour before the start time of the event. The list of all preregistered guests and their Clark hosts will be provided at the door by the Office of Student Leadership and Programming. If a guest has not been registered, they will not be permitted access to the event.

To gain access to the event, a guest must check in at the entrance with their Clark host. Both the Clark host and guest must present a valid form of ID (preferably college ID). The host must remain with the guest at all times while at the event.

Late-night social events that are open to Worcester Consortium students only are not required to use a guest preregistration survey. Attendees from Consortium schools must present a valid college ID from a Consortium institution (e.g., WPI, Assumption, Holy Cross, Worcester State, Becker, Anna Maria, Nichols, etc.). IDs are collected at the door and returned when the individual is leaving the event. Consortium students may not bring guests to a Clark event.

The Office of Student Leadership and Programming reserves the right to refuse entrance to any guest and/or their Clark host in the interest of the health/safety of those individuals and/or other attendees. Additionally, the Office of Student Leadership and Programming reserves the right to close entrance to an event (either temporarily or permanently) in the interest of public safety and/or in response to violation(s) of the described guest policies.

Any variations to this guest policy must be cleared through the Office of Student Leadership and Programming. For the benefit of the Clark community, any variations to the ID or guest policy must be clearly shown on all publicity materials.

Any event publicized as “open to the public” must obtain approval from the Office of Student Leadership and Programming two weeks prior to the event.

ADVERTISING
Advertisement of social events sponsored by student organizations is restricted to authorized locations on the Clark campus. See the posting policy on page 48 for specific details.

SECURITY
If a student event requires a security detail, the Office of Student Leadership and Programming must be notified at least 10 days in advance by its organizers. The Office of Student Leadership and Programming and University Police will determine whether one or more officers need to be hired by the sponsoring organization for the event. SLP will make the final decision on whether event security is necessary.

CLEAN-UP AND DAMAGE
Event sponsors are responsible for all clean-up. Any cleaning work done by Facilities Management staff or Dining Services personnel will be charged to the sponsoring group or individual. Event organizers are responsible for returning the room to its original setup at the end of the event. Set-ups done by Facilities Management or University Center staff will be charged to the
sponsoring group or individual. Thermostats or radiators are not to be adjusted by anyone except Facilities Management staff.

Any damage to University property resulting from the event will be the responsibility of the sponsoring organization.

**EMAIL POLICY**

The University maintains a number of comprehensive student email distribution lists for purposes related to official University business, and a limited number of senior administrators have authority to post to them. On rare occasions the Provost, Dean of Students, or Dean of the College may agree to post messages for official student organizations that serve the entire student body (e.g., Student Council) when they are considered of significant importance to most students and are consistent with University business.

It is the policy of the University that all official University business, such as communication with faculty and advisers, billing, financial aid, registration, and graduation clearance, must be conducted with the Clark email system. This means that all students should use their Clark email as their main email address while enrolled at Clark. The University considers students’ Clark email addresses a valid substitute to mailboxes for contacting students about University business and accepts no responsibility for students failing to read their official email.

**EVENTS WHERE ALCOHOL IS SERVED**

The Office of Student Leadership and Programming must approve serving alcohol at any campus event. The events are subject to the following regulations as well as the policies detailed in previous sections.

1. Events must be held in licensed areas only (Grind Central and the Winton Faculty Dining Room). A permit from the City of Worcester is required for events in any other location (see next section).

2. In general, events where alcohol is served are limited to those of legal drinking age. However, student organizations may request, through SLP, to have an 18+ event involving the service of alcohol. If granted, the event will be subject to additional restrictions to ensure that only 21+ participants are allowed to purchase, possess, and consume alcohol. These restrictions can include wristbanding, requiring legal identification in addition to a Clark OneCard for entry, or cordon off an area within an event for guests of legal drinking age who wish to drink.

3. The service of alcohol during the event must be arranged through Dining Services.

4. A University Police detail is required.

5. Sponsors must provide adequate amounts of nonalcoholic beverages for the duration of the event.

6. Sponsors must also have adequate amounts of substantive food available.

7. No more than one beverage at a time will be served to any person.

8. Alcoholic beverages may not be taken out of the designated event location.

9. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed in public areas.

Events that are held in unlicensed areas require prior approval from SLP and a beverage permit from the City of Worcester. The application process for a permit requires a letter of support from Student Leadership and Programming, a fee of $45.00, and a completed application. A representative from Clark Dining Services must attend a hearing regarding the event and a license may or may not be granted. The process can take up to 45 days to complete. If a license is granted, the same guidelines listed above will be applied.

**ALCOHOL BEVERAGE PERMIT**

An alcohol beverage permit is required for any function at which alcohol is served. Clark Dining Services holds the liquor license for serving wine or beer at any function held in the University Center. For functions held at other locations on campus or for any function at which hard liquor is served, a permit must be obtained from the License Commission, located in Worcester City Hall. The request for a permit, including a letter from Student Leadership and Programming, must be submitted to the License Commission by Clark Dining Services at least 45 days prior to the event. Dining Services personnel must be contacted for the purchase and service of all liquor and alcohol distributed at the event.

**SECURITY**

University Police must be hired by event organizers to be on duty for any function where alcohol is served.

**ADMISSION**

Social functions will be open to Clark students, their invited guests, and Worcester Consortium students with current college ID (if so noted). If alcohol is being served, all guests and students will be required to show legal identification as proof of age. The University reserves the right to deny anyone — guest or student — entry to any campus event.

**ADVERTISING**

Advertisements for any University event where alcoholic beverages are served shall mention the availability of nonalcoholic beverages as prominently as alcohol. Alcohol should not be used as an inducement to participate in or attend a campus event. Promotional material shall not make reference to the amount or price of alcoholic beverages available.

**VIOLATION OF POLICY**

Violation of the University alcohol policy may result in disciplinary sanctions that are outlined in the University policies section of the *Student Handbook*.

**EMERGENCY PROTOCOL: ALCOHOL ABUSE**

1. University Police should be contacted when a student becomes agitated, ill, unconscious, or violent due to alcohol or drug use.
2. A student who is found to be minimally responsive to noxious stimuli, or unconscious and unresponsive, will be transported via ambulance to a hospital emergency room. In the case of a student found to be minimally conscious and refusing transportation for evaluation, the University Police officer shall assist and may accompany the student in the ambulance.

HELPFUL INFORMATION CONCERNING ALCOHOL
Whether you are hosting an approved function on campus or a private party off campus, it is imperative that you are aware of your responsibilities as a host. This requires that you pay attention to many details. Here are a few suggestions:
1. Know the facts about alcohol, drinking and driving, your liabilities, and dealing with intoxicated individuals.
2. Be aware of your guests to ensure that they’re having a good time — and to be sure that no behavior gets out of control.
3. Serve some nutritious, substantive food. Vegetable platters and fresh fruit are welcome alternatives to typical party foods such as peanuts, chips, and pretzels. Because salty foods increase thirst, they may also lead to increased alcohol consumption.
4. Respect the decision of guests who don’t want to drink or have decided to slow down or stop for the evening. Never encourage guests to drink or to drink more than their personal preference.
5. Stay sober yourself. As a host, you never know when you’ll have to deal with an emergency. Remember that alcohol is a depressant drug. As with other depressants, when used to excess, alcohol can result in cessation of spontaneous respiration and loss of the gag reflex. This can lead to death by asphyxiation or aspiration of regurgitated food. Hosts must consider their responsibility for the well-being of their guests. Parties should be fun, but excessive drinking can be lethal.

PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL PARTIES
(See Parties/Social Gatherings in the Living Off Campus section)

CAMPUS CHALKING POLICY
Student groups are allowed to “chalk” to advertise events. Please adhere to the following policies:
1. You must send an email to Events Planning, University Police, Student Leadership and Programming, and Facilities Management asking for permission.
2. Once you have permission, you can chalk ONLY on Clark walkways.
3. Chalking on buildings, statues, walls, and/or furniture is strictly prohibited and will be seen as vandalism.
4. You may not chalk on city sidewalks.
5. The group that has the approval to chalk is responsible for washing off the chalk immediately after the event ends.

Failure to do so will result in a clean-up charge from Facilities Management.

CLARK UNIVERSITY POSTING POLICY
The Events Planning Office approves and hangs all Clark University flyers, and there are some basic guidelines you need to follow.
1. All postings must bear the name of the sponsoring organization or department, spelled out in full, and the email address or other means of contacting the sponsor. Each flyer must also contain the date, time, and location of the event. The only exception to this policy will be during Student Council elections. During that time, individual candidates may post flyers promoting their candidacy; however, they must adhere to all other guidelines.
2. No flyer may contain references to drugs or alcohol unless it is informational (i.e., alcohol and drug education or awareness information).
3. All flyers must adhere to the “Policy on the Use of the University’s Name,” found on page 36.
4. Flyers may be displayed on designated bulletin boards only. Any flyer found on any other University property will be removed by University employees.
5. Flyers must be firmly affixed to the boards, using either masking or scotch tape or tacks. No other adhesive may be used. Loosely posted notices, especially on the outside bulletin board, tend to fall off and become litter; they will be removed if not hung securely.
6. Only one 8-1/2" x 11" – 11” x 17” flyer advertising a certain event may be posted on any one bulletin board. Flyers larger than 11” x 17” are not permitted.
7. No flyer may cover another, and no flyer should be moved in order to accommodate another.
8. Flyers will be removed when the date of the event has passed.
9. Please have flyers stamped/approved prior to photocopying to prevent having to stamp multiple copies of the same flyer.
10. Additional guidelines for posting in the Higgins University Center and residence halls and houses are listed below. Questions or suggestions concerning the posting policy should be directed to Student Leadership and Programming.
**Higgins University Center Posting Policy: Flyers**
The following guidelines apply to flyers hung within the Higgins University Center.

1. Flyers may not exceed 11” x 17”.
2. No more than five flyers announcing any one event may be posted throughout the University Center.
3. If more than five flyers are found, they will be removed at the discretion of the University Center staff.
4. All flyers to be hung in the University Center must be approved and stamped by either the Events Planning or Residential Life and Housing office.
5. All flyers will be hung by University Center employees. Flyers should be turned into the Events Planning Office by 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and will be hung later that evening.
6. Flyers may only be hung for two weeks.
7. Flyers will be hung on bulletin boards on the Levitt Concourse, behind the mailroom, and in the 3rd Floor Asher Suite.
8. Flyers MAY NOT be hung on the following areas:
   - Any wall
   - Concrete pillars
   - Railings
   - Windows and window frames
   - Doors and door frames
   - Staircases
   - Mailboxes or surrounding area
9. Only flyers advertising Clark or Consortium events can be publicized in the University Center.

**Banners**
The Events Planning Office books and approves all banner spots in the University Center. You may book a banner spot to advertise your event/club. The following guidelines apply to all banners hung within the Higgins University Center:

1. All banners must be stamped by the Events Planning Office.
2. Banners may be hung from the railings in the Levitt Concourse.
3. Banners may hang for two weeks prior to the start of the advertised event and must be taken down the day after the event concludes. If you are not advertising an event but just club information, the banner will go up for no more than two weeks. If the banner is not removed by the sponsoring group, University Center staff will remove and discard the banner at their discretion.
4. If you wish to hang a banner from the Levitt Concourse railing, you must reserve a banner location in the Events Planning office. There are only 18 locations for banners, so space may be limited.

5. Banner locations may only be reserved once the banner has been made, approved, and stamped. Banners can be made in the Craft Studio (UC basement level).
6. Each banner location has a height and width limit of 3 feet (tall) x 5 feet (long). Banners larger than that size will not be approved and/or will be removed. All banners must be hung from the top or second rung of the railing. Banners are hung ONE banner per spot.
7. Absolutely no tape or adhesive may be used to hang the banner. Banners attached to the railing with tape or other adhesive will be removed and any damage will be charged back to the sponsoring organization. String and acceptable hanging materials are available in the Events Planning Office.
8. Banners may not be stored at the Information Desk. They also may no longer be stored in the 3rd Floor Asher Suite.

**Residential Life and Housing Posting Policy**
(Refer to the Posting Policy on page 48)

**Forming an Organization**
Clark offers clubs and organizations for a range of interests, from socially active groups to club sports. However, if there is something of interest to you that is not listed, there are easy steps you can take to create your own organization.

Any questions may be directed to the Office of Student Leadership and Programming at x7549.

**Fraternity/Sorority Policy**
During the 1984-85 academic year, the University developed and articulated the following policy of nonrecognition and nonsupport of social fraternities and sororities.

“No resource of the University (physical, personnel, or monetary) will be available for use either directly or indirectly, in any activity or event — open or closed, sponsored or co-sponsored — by any undergraduate or graduate social organization with formal or informal ties to a social fraternity or sorority. As well as social events, this restriction prohibits all proceedings related to rush, pledging, intake, initiating, or otherwise admitting to or maintaining membership in the social organization.
“Historically, the performance record of fraternities and sororities has been cyclical. At the best of times, they have performed outstanding services to society and to their communities; at their worst, they have been centers of organized misconduct and of activities abusive to the human spirit (for example, hazing and pledging rites, alcohol abuse and discriminatory membership policies).

“At Clark, we are not prepared to provide the extraordinary supervision that Greek social organizations require to be maintained as positive, healthy contributors to student life. Furthermore, during the absence of social fraternities and sororities from campus, a number of nonexclusive social and service organizations have developed that do not have the liabilities that social Greek organizations present. Through the Student Council and the Dean of Students Office, the University is committed to supporting nonexclusive, indigenous social and service organizations at Clark and to encouraging the development of others that serve Clark students and that are consistent with our educational philosophy and mission.”

**Greek-named organizations recognized by Clark University**

- Alpha Sigma Lambda: *Nontraditional Students Honor Society*
- Fiat Lux: *Clark University Academic Honor Society*
- Gryphon and Pleiades: *Senior Leaders Society*
- Phi Beta Kappa: *Highest National Academic Honor Society*
- Beta Gamma Sigma: *National Management Honor Society*
- Phi Lambda Upsilon: *National Chemistry Honor Society*
- Phi Sigma Tau: *National Philosophy Honor Society*
- Sigma Pi Sigma: *National Physics Honor Society*

**Fundraising Guidelines for Student Groups**

All University-recognized student organizations can undertake fundraising activities with the prior written approval of the Office of Student Leadership and Programming. Student organizations can fundraise on campus through donations, raffle tickets, selling merchandise, and/or ticket sales to a specific event. Consideration will be given to student groups on a first-come, first-served basis and every effort will be made to ensure that groups are not fundraising simultaneously. Groups must keep a record of all monies raised, and donations must be deposited with the SLP bookkeeper into the respective student organization’s account by the end of each business day.

Student groups can approach off-campus entities for gift certificates, merchandise, or similar in-kind donations. No requests for financial support can be submitted to any organization or individual outside of the Clark community without the prior written approval of Student Leadership and Programming and the Vice President for University Advancement. Requests to seek external funding will only be considered upon a written request by a student organization in consultation with its faculty or staff adviser or, in the absence of an adviser, by Student Leadership and Programming. Off-campus fundraising for non-University programs and activities cannot be undertaken under the auspices of Clark University.

All donations must be used by the student organization for a specific event/goal. No donations of any sort may be used for personal gain by any member of an organization. A list of all monies raised and donations accepted (description and cash value) must be submitted to the SLP bookkeeper at the conclusion of the fundraising activity for those funds to be made available for the organization’s use.

**Missing Student Notification Policy**

In compliance with the Higher Education Re-authorization Act of 2008, this policy outlines the procedures for reporting, investigating, and making emergency notifications regarding any resident student of Clark University who is reported as and believed to be missing.

A Clark resident student is presumed to be “missing” when the student’s absence is inconsistent with established patterns of behavior and the deviation cannot be readily explained. Before presuming that a person is missing, reasonable measures should be taken to determine whether the person is at their home or campus residence, and if anyone familiar with the person has seen or heard from them recently or is aware of where they may be.

Any member of the Clark University community (whether employee or student) who is concerned that a member of the University community is missing should contact University Police, 508-793-7575, or the Dean of Students Office, 508-793-7423, as soon as it is determined that the individual is missing as defined above.

**Emergency Contact:**

All enrolled students at the University are requested to designate an emergency contact person through CUWeb.

All students have their own student accounts and may enter or change their designated contacts at any time by updating emergency contact information through CUWeb (under personal information/address). Only authorized campus officials, as part of their responsibilities, and law enforcement officers in furtherance of a missing person investigation, may have access to this information.

**Reporting and Investigating Missing Persons:**

Any report of a missing student will be fully investigated by appropriate University personnel under the joint coordination of the Dean of Students Office and University Police. The assistance of the Worcester Police Department, Massachusetts State Police, or other appropriate law enforcement agency will be sought if such assistance is indicated and deemed necessary by the initial campus investigation.
When a student is reported missing, Clark University may:

- Involve both University Police and the Dean of Students Office in the report and share all relevant information
- Initiate an investigation to determine where the student might be and if the student can be located
- Make reasonable efforts to contact that student via phone, cellphone, email, and an in-person visit to the student’s residence or room
- Contact faculty, peers, roommates, and other University community members to determine the potential whereabouts of the student
- If the student cannot be located and remains missing, Clark University will, according to the law, contact Worcester and/or Massachusetts State Police within 24 hours of the initial internal report
- Notify the emergency contact or legal guardian (for students under the age of 18) of the status of the investigation within 24 hours of the initial report, unless the student has been contacted

In situations that may indicate a serious threat to a student’s well-being, Clark University may notify law enforcement agencies and emergency contact(s) immediately.

The Dean of Students Office is required by law to inform the designated contact person of a missing student who resides in University property — or the custodial parent or guardian in the case of a minor — within 24 hours of receiving a missing person report.

 Nichtsmoking Regulation

Smoking of any type, including any electronic nicotine-delivery system or smoking device, is not permitted anywhere on the Clark University campus.

Parking Policy

All students who plan to park their cars in Clark University lots must be registered with the University Police Department and display a valid parking decal on the vehicle. Clark offers several parking options including a three-story, gated parking garage, commuter lots, and 24-hour lots. Refer to the parking website (clarku.edu/offices/university-police/campus-parking-permits) for decal pricing, rules and regulations, a map of all parking locations, and the 2020-2021 parking application.

Pet Policy

While on campus grounds, all pets must remain leashed and under the control of their owners at all times. It is the responsibility of the owner to immediately and properly dispose of the pet’s bodily waste. Pets are not allowed in any University building. Violations to the University Pet Policy will result in a $50 fine for the first offense and a $100 fine for each subsequent offense. Persistent violations to this policy may result in conduct action for students and appropriate follow-up for nonstudents, guests, and employees.

Policy on Skateboarding and Trick Bicycling

Skateboarding and trick bicycling is not permitted on any monuments or benches. Such activity should only happen in a way that does not damage University property or interfere with the mobility or safety of individuals.

Policy on the Use of Photography and Videography of Students

Clark University and its representatives reserve the right to take and use photographs, as well as record video and audio of students, for the University’s print and electronic publications, website, videos, and social media channels. This serves as a public notice of the University’s intent to do so and as a release to the University of permission to use such images in any form or medium, and audio recordings in any medium as it deems fit, in the promotion and publication of information regarding Clark University. Any student who appears in photographs, videos, or audio content, but does not want that content used for University marketing purposes, should email clarkvoices@clarku.edu with a specific description of the media they would like removed.

Policy on the Use of the University’s Name*

1. University officials should consider the following criteria when authorizing the use of the University’s name:
   A) Is the association between the University and the activity, product, or publication accurately represented?
   B) Is the activity, product, or publication, and the manner in which it is associated with Clark’s name, appropriate to the University’s educational mission?
   C) Have satisfactory arrangements been made concerning the interest (if any) to be held by the University in intellectual property and income resulting from the proposed activity?

2. The University’s name, logo, or equivalent may only be used to refer to an activity with prior written approval of officials representing the University as a whole, such as the President, Provost, or the Vice President of Marketing, except as described below. Approval is not required for the following activities:
   A) Stationery, business cards, and other materials used by departments or other units in the ordinary course of business
4. Faculty members and staff may use the Clark University name to identify themselves (e.g., “Jane Doe, professor of economics, Clark University”). In using or authorizing the use of Clark’s name to identify themselves in connection with activities conducted with outside individuals and entities (e.g., authoring a book), faculty and staff members should assure that Clark’s name is used in a manner that does not imply University endorsement or responsibility for the particular activity, product, or publication involved.

5. No one may register or authorize the registration of any trade or service mark of Clark University in the United States or any foreign country without the prior written permission of the Provost or Vice President of Marketing. Any individual, school, or unit that wishes to grant or receive a license for the Clark University name for use on merchandise (such as T-shirts, mugs, calendars, or jewelry) must obtain the prior approval of the Provost.

6. Questions concerning the interpretation of this policy should be referred to the Provost.

*This policy uses the term “name” to encompass insignias as well as names and to refer (unless otherwise indicated) to names and insignias of both the University as a whole and its constituent parts.

**Sponsored Trips Policy**

Clark clubs and organizations intending to sponsor trips as part of their programs and activities will need permission from the Office of Student Leadership and Programming and, prior to any trip, must register the event on Clark Engage and complete a Travel Information Form. The form includes information on who will be traveling; where, how, and when the travel will take place; and how payment for the travel will be made. These forms are available from the SLP Office.

**Student Access to Records and Clark University’s FERPA Policy**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) requires that institutions of higher education strictly protect the privacy rights of all students who are or have been in attendance. In practice, this means that information contained in the student’s educational record can be shared only with school officials who have a legitimate educational interest and a legitimate need to know such information to fulfill their professional responsibilities. For these purposes, “legitimate educational interest” shall mean a purpose that has a directly identifiable educational relationship to the student involved.

1. **School Officials**

   For purposes of FERPA, school officials are those members of an institution who act in the student’s educational interest within the limitations of their “need to know” in the execution of their job responsibilities. Where appropriate, these school officials may, at their discretion, choose to share such information with University faculty or staff on a “need-to-know” basis.

2. **Directory Information**

   Directory information is general information contained in the educational record of a student that generally would not be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. Directory information as defined by Clark includes: a student’s name, addresses (campus, home, email), telephone listings, photograph; major field of study; dates of attendance; class year; enrollment status (e.g., undergraduate or graduate; full-time, three-quarter time, half-time, or less than half-time); participation in officially recognized activities and sports; weight and height of members of athletic teams; degrees, honors, and awards received; and most recent educational institution attended. School officials may, at their discretion, release directory information to third parties unless the student specifically directs that it be withheld by requesting a confidentiality flag on his or her student record.

3. **Registrar’s Office**

   The Registrar’s Office is the keeper of all educational records and treats students’ educational records with the utmost confidentiality. The University Registrar will share nondirectory information about individual students with other school officials on a need-to-know basis or as required by the school official’s job responsibilities.

4. **Faculty**

   All official records created by Clark faculty in fulfilling their professional obligations (e.g., grades and comments on graded papers) are protected by FERPA. Informal records maintained by Clark faculty (e.g., notes about meetings with students)
that are kept under the sole possession of the faculty member, have not been created with the assistance of anyone else, and are accessible only to a temporary substitute, do not fall under FERPA's umbrella. Nevertheless, such informal records should be shared with third parties only on a need-to-know basis.

Faculty who serve as academic advisers will have access to their advisees' academic records. Where appropriate, they will be informed of those actions of the College Board that relate to their advisees. All faculty will have access to a student's class schedule for the purpose of overriding a registration restriction.

5. Academic Advising Office
The Associate Dean of the College/Director of Academic Advising may share a student's educational record with members of the staff of Academic Advising when it is deemed appropriate for them to have such information in the execution of their duties.

6. Student Affairs Staff
The Dean of Students may share a student's educational record with members of the Student Affairs staff when it is deemed appropriate for them to have such information in the execution of their duties.

7. Admissions
FERPA does not apply to the records of applicants for admission who are denied acceptance to Clark, nor does it apply to applicants who are accepted but choose not to attend Clark. Admitted students are covered by FERPA once they have enrolled. A student is considered enrolled on the first day of classes.

8. Athletics
Information about the academic status of student-athletes will be shared with the Director of Athletics for the purposes of ensuring NCAA compliance.

The Dean of Students may share conduct information with the Director of Athletics in support of the Athletic Code of Conduct. They also may share information of a serious nature about a student when it is relevant to that student's status as an athlete.

9. Other Persons
Faculty and students serving on official University committees where a legitimate "need to know" exists may have access to educational records as related to the duties of the committee. Faculty members of registered honor societies may have access to student educational records for the sole purpose of determining eligibility for membership on the basis that they are acting in an official University capacity that is integral to the educational function of the University. In both cases, the legitimate educational interests of students and the University have been served.

10. Official Agents
Clark University may share certain personally identifiable information with official agents. An official agent of the University is a person or organization performing a business function or service on behalf of the institution (a function or service that the institution normally would perform itself). All official agents of Clark University have signed an agency agreement which stipulates that they will adhere to FERPA guidelines.

Tabling Policy
There are seven tables in the concourse of the Higgins University Center. Table 1 is reserved for vendor use only. If a vendor is not using the table, then students, clubs, organizations, faculty, and staff may use it on a first-come, first-served basis. Student organizations must select two members to be responsible for reserving tables with the Events Planning Office on the 3rd floor of the University Center (x7471).

Available tabling times are:
- Lunch: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Monday through Friday
- Dinner: 5 - 7 p.m., Monday through Friday

The booking policy for these tables is as follows:
1. Go to the Events Planning Office to book your table times once you've submitted your Clark Engage registration form and it was approved (events only). For non-event tabling (e.g., information tabling, club promotion) you are allowed to book tabling without going through Clark Engage. All bake sales (or any sales) at a concourse table must be approved by SLP.
2. You will be allowed to book three table spots (lunch and/or dinner) per week, per group. If you have more than one event for which to advertise, it should be done at the same table. A group cannot book 2 different tables in the same week.

Policies for all tables
1. You must check in with the staff at the information desk promptly at your start time to make sure you are sitting at the correct table.
2. If an organization does not show up for its reserved time, the Events Planning Office reserves the right to cancel the organization's entire reservation. Repeat "no shows" by an organization may result in the loss of privileges to reserve future tables.
3. Music/noise of any kind must be kept low. Sound carries and disturbs offices and event rooms in the University Center. If the noise is too loud, you will be asked to turn it down or shut it off.
4. After tabling, please remove ALL banners, flyers, and other materials, and leave the table empty. Even if you have both lunch and dinner reserved, you have to remove items.
5. The information desk does not have storage space. Please make alternative arrangements for storing your things.
6. A person affiliated with the sponsoring organization must be at the table at all times to answer questions, etc. These people must stay at or near the table. Advertising or peddling by shouting or approaching is not permitted.

7. Your table comes with two chairs ONLY. You will not be permitted to grab other chairs from around the building. If we see your group doing this, you will not be allowed to book tables. You must leave the table/chairs in order upon leaving.

ALL TABLES ARE LABELED — You must be at the correct table as stated on your reservation.

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**TILTON HALL PIANO POLICY**

The piano in Tilton Hall is available for use by students, faculty, and staff when the room is empty. The piano is not to be moved at any time from its location in the corner of the room. The piano is tuned once a year or if requested by an event host (charges will apply). If you are playing the piano and you see an admissions tour, site tour, or staff setting up for an event, you are to stop playing and/or vacate the room should they ask.

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**TITLE IX**

[clarku.edu/title-ix](clarku.edu/title-ix)

Clark University commits itself to providing a campus environment where all students are safe from sexual violence, sexual harassment, and gender (identity or expression) discrimination. Clark believes in the power of a strong community, and it is stronger when all students are engaged in relationships based on mutual care and respect. Both in intimate and platonic settings, Clark expects its community members to practice open communication and effective consent.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 requires all federally funded universities to prohibit sex/gender-based discrimination on campuses, against all students, including discrimination based on sex, gender identity, or expression, as well as sex and gender discrimination in the educational environment. Title IX applies to everyone, including all students, faculty, and staff. Historically, Title IX was used to create equal access to sports teams on campuses and in high schools. The language of the statute reads as follows:

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**No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.**

Clark University complies with the requirements of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1681, et seq., and subsequent regulations, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender in all programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance. Clark University receives such assistance and complies with this law and its implementation of regulation at 34 C.F.R. Part 106.

To ensure compliance with Title IX, the President of Clark University designates the Title IX Coordinator as the primary contact responsible for developing, adopting, and/or assuring the dissemination of the University’s nondiscrimination policy and for making the policy available to the University community. Lynn Levey is Clark’s Title IX Coordinator and Assistant Dean for Wellness Education.

**CLARK UNIVERSITY’S TITLE IX PROCESS**

[clarku.edu/title-ix/title-ix-process](clarku.edu/title-ix/title-ix-process)

Student:

1. **Initial Assessment Phase**
   Conduct reported. Title IX Coordinator assesses conduct to determine if it creates a threat to students or the community. Title IX Coordinator determines if conduct triggers Sexual Offense Policy (no factual determinations). Title IX Coordinator provides interim measures, if necessary. (If Sexual Offense Policy not triggered, matter referred to appropriate body.)

2. **Investigation Phase**
   Internal and/or external investigators assigned to conduct investigation. Parties informed about right to advisers and other resources. Parties given opportunity to provide information to investigator(s). Parties given opportunity to review/respond to Investigative Report. Investigators do not make determinations regarding responsibility or sanctions.

3. **Determination of Responsibility**
   Panel reviews Investigative Report. Panel given discretion to question investigator(s) or other individuals regarding Investigative Report, but expected to exercise discretion carefully. Panel determines if the Sexual Misconduct Policy has been violated.

4. **Determination of Sanction**
   If Panel determines Sexual Offense Policy was violated, Panel next determines sanction. Sanctions determined on a case-by-case basis and Panel again exercises discretion to consult with others. Range of sanctions include, but are not limited to, expulsion, suspension, loss of privilege, or any other remedial steps.
5. Appeal

Appeals will be granted in the case of a) a procedural error and/or b) newly discovered material information that was not previously known or available.

THE FACULTY AND STAFF PROCESSES
clarku.edu/title-ix/title-ix-process

SANCTIONS
clarku.edu/offices/title-ix/title-ix-policies/

Sanctions may include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: suspension, dismissal, expulsion, probation, reprimand, warning, restitution, education, counseling, no-contact order, restriction from extracurricular programs or activities, loss of leadership opportunity or positions in activities, housing restriction/relocation, and/or restriction from University employment.

CLARK UNIVERSITY’S CONSENT DEFINITION
clarku.edu/title-ix/sexual-offense-policies

CONSENT
Effective, clear consent is defined as a freely and affirmatively communicated willingness to participate in sexual activity, expressed either by words or clear, unambiguous actions.

- It is the responsibility of the initiator of the sexual activity to ensure that they have the other person’s consent to engage in sexual activity.
- Consent to sexual activity may be withdrawn at any time, as long as the withdrawal is communicated clearly.
- Consent cannot be assumed because of the existence of a dating relationship between the persons involved or due to the existence of a previous sexual relationship between the persons.
- Silence, in and of itself, cannot be interpreted as consent. Consent must be present throughout the sexual activity by all parties involved.
- Consent to one form of sexual activity does not imply consent to other forms of sexual activity.
- The respondent or complainant’s use of alcohol or other drugs does not diminish the respondent’s responsibility.
- Consent may never be given by minors (in Massachusetts, those not yet sixteen [16] years of age), those who have a mental disability, those who are incapacitated as a result of alcohol or other drug consumption (voluntary and involuntary), or those who are unconscious, unaware, or otherwise physically helpless.

Evidence of incapacity may be detected from context clues, such as slurred speech; bloodshot eyes; the smell of alcohol on the breath; shaky equilibrium; vomiting; outrageous or unusual behavior; and/or unconsciousness.

This policy also covers someone whose incapacity results from mental disability, sleep, involuntary physical restraint, or from the taking of a so-called “date-rape” drug. Possession, use, and/or distribution of any of these substances is prohibited, and administering one of these drugs to another person for the purpose of inducing incapacity is a violation of this policy.

TITLE IX VIOLATIONS
clarku.edu/title-ix/sexual-offense-policies

All Clark University students are expected to behave in ways that demonstrate their care, respect, and responsibility for the personal dignity, rights, and freedoms of all members of the community. They should also respect University property and the property of others. Adherence to the provisions of the Code of Student Conduct, along with other University policies and laws outside the University, will ensure an environment of academic and personal growth for all members of the University. Since the University expects students to show good judgment and use common sense at all times, not all kinds of misconduct or behavioral standards are specifically identified in this handbook. In addition to meeting all academic requirements, a student’s disciplinary record must be in good standing in order to be eligible to receive a degree from the University. Clark may place a hold on the conferral of the degree, along with other student records, if any of the following exist with regard to a student’s disciplinary record: any pending disciplinary proceeding, any pending appeals of a disciplinary proceeding or sanction, or any pending or active sanctions.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

Sexual misconduct is any intentional sexual touching of a person, however slight, with any object, without effective consent. Sexual touching includes any bodily contact with the breasts, groin, genitals, mouth, or other bodily orifice of another or any other bodily contact in a sexual manner. Any disrobing of, or exposure to, another person without effective consent is considered a violation of this policy.

SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

Sexual exploitation occurs when a student takes non-consensual or abusive sexual advantage of another for their own advantage or benefit, or to benefit or advantage anyone other than the one being exploited, and that behavior does not otherwise constitute sexual assault, sexual misconduct, or sexual harassment. Examples of sexual exploitation include, but are not limited to: making public sexual activity with another student without
that other student’s consent; prostituting another student; non-consensual video- or audio-recording of sexual activity; going beyond the boundaries of consent (such as letting your friends hide in the closet to watch you having consensual sex); voyeurism; and/or knowingly transmitting a sexually transmitted infection (STI) or HIV to another student.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT
Sexual harassment consists of any unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and/or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature. This includes, but is not limited to: submission to, or rejection of, such conduct that is made either implicitly or explicitly a term or condition of employment or participation in an education program; submission to, or rejection of, such conduct that is used as the basis for employment or academic decisions affecting a student; such conduct that has the purpose or effect of interfering with a student’s work or academic performance; or such conduct that creates a hostile or intimidating work or academic environment.

SEXUAL ASSAULT
Sexual assault is any sexual penetration (anal, oral, or vaginal), however slight, with any object, or sexual intercourse by one or more persons upon another without effective consent. Sexual penetration includes vaginal or anal penetration by a penis, object, tongue, or finger, and/or oral copulation by mouth-to-genital contact or genital-to-mouth contact.

STALKING
Stalking is a course of conduct (two or more acts) directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to a) fear for their safety or the safety of others or b) suffer substantial emotional distress. Stalking behaviors include, but are not limited to: nonconsensual communication (including in-person communication, telephone calls, voice/text/email messages, social networking site postings, instant messages, postings of pictures or information on websites, written letters, gifts, or any other communications that are undesired and/or place another person in fear); following, pursuing, waiting, or showing up uninvited at a workplace, place of residence, classroom, or other locations frequented by a person; surveillance and other types of observation, whether by physical proximity or electronic means; vandalism; trespassing; nonconsensual touching; direct physical or verbal threats against a person and/or their loved ones; gathering of information about a person from family friends, co-workers, and/or classmates; manipulative and controlling behaviors, such as threats to harm oneself or threats to harm someone close to that person; and defamation or slander against a person.

RETRALIATION
The University will not tolerate retaliation in any form against any persons for their participation or involvement in the reporting, investigation, and/or resolution of matters subject to the Sexual Offense Policy. The University will take appropriate steps to prevent and/or address retaliatory conduct immediately. Retaliation includes any acts or words that constitute intimidation, threats, or coercion because of that person’s report of sexual and gender-based offense(s); assistance in reporting of sexual and gender-based offense(s); participation in any proceeding under the policy; or protest of sexual and gender-based offense conduct, and which would also deter a reasonable person from reporting or assisting in reporting a violation of the policy, participating in any proceeding under the policy, or protesting of sexual and gender-based offenses. An adverse action does not include minor annoyances or another’s lack of good manners, as those actions will not deter a reasonable person from engaging in the process. The University includes retaliation in its definition of prohibited conduct under this policy, as well as the University’s general prohibition on retaliation.

INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE
Relationship abuse is defined as a pattern of coercive behaviors that serves to exercise control and power in an intimate relationship. The coercive and abusive behaviors can be physical, sexual, psychological, verbal, and/or emotional. Relationship abuse can occur between current or former intimate partners who have dated, lived together, have a child together, currently reside together on or off campus, or who otherwise are connected through a past or existing relationship. It can occur in opposite-sex and same-sex relationships.

Examples of relationship abuse include, but are not limited to: attempting to cause or causing bodily injury by hitting, slapping, punching, hair-pulling, kicking, sexual assault, and/or other forms of unwanted physical contact that cause harm; knowingly restricting the movements of another person; isolating or confining a person for a period of time; controlling or monitoring behavior; being verbally and/or emotionally abusive; or exhibiting extreme possessiveness or jealousy.

ADDITIONALLY PROHIBITED CONDUCT
Aiding or Facilitating a Sexual Offense
Aiding or facilitating a sexual offense means promoting or encouraging the commission of any behavior prohibited under this policy. Members of the Clark community are prohibited from personally engaging in sexual offenses, and also from engaging in conduct which assists or encourages another person to engage in such misconduct.

Attempted Violations
In most circumstances, Clark University will treat attempts to commit any of the violations listed in this policy as if those attempts had been completed.

False Reports
Clark University will not tolerate intentional false reporting of incidents. It is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct to make an intentionally false report of any policy violation, and it may also violate state criminal statutes and civil defamation laws.
**Title IX Resources: Non-Confidential**

Information may be shared on a “need to know” basis in order to assist in the active review, investigation, or resolution of the report. Identifiable information will be withheld when it is not needed for legal or procedural purposes.

**On-Campus Resources**

**Dean of Students**
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, 2nd floor, 508-793-7423

The Dean of Students office provides support, assistance, and guidance to students. Complaints that involve possible violations of the Code of Student Conduct, including complaints related to sexual offenses, may be handled by this office.

**Multicultural and First Generation Student Services**
Dana Commons, 1st floor, 508-421-3722

Students of ALANA (African-, Latinx-, Asian/Desi-, or Native/Indigenous-American), Pacific Islander, and Multiracial descent and first-generation college students involved in Title IX cases can receive support services and guidance from MFGSS.

**University Police**
Bullock Hall, lower level, 508-793-7575

University Police will investigate the allegation/incident and can assist in filing criminal and/or internal charges if desired.

**Residential Life and Housing**
Asher Suite, University Center, 3rd floor, 508-793-7453

Residential Life and Housing can assist with room change requests or discuss other housing options. In addition, administrators, professional live-in staff, and student resident advisers are trained to assist victims of sexual offenses.

**Title IX Office**
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, 3rd floor

The Title IX Office oversees reports of sex and gender discrimination, including sexual and relationship violence. Title IX applies to all students, faculty, and staff.

**Title IX Coordinator:**
Lynn Levey, LLevey@clarku.edu 508-793-7194

**Deputy Title IX Coordinators:**
Holly Dolan, HDolan@clarku.edu 508-421-3772
David Everitt, DEveritt@clarku.edu 508-793-7295
Adam Keyes, AKeyes@clarku.edu 508-793-7162

**Title IX Resources: Confidential**

Information is unlikely to be shared without the individual’s consent unless there is a threat to the campus community, or in the case of other extenuating circumstances. Efforts will be made to maintain confidentiality.

**On-Campus Resources**

**Clark University Health Services**
501 Park Ave., 508-793-7467

Confidential physical health services are available to all students, including STI testing and contraception services.

**Confidential Faculty Members**

Students looking to speak with a professor confidentially can contact one of the following professors through these emails to discuss an incident.

Professor James Córdova — jvc.confidential@clarku.edu
Professor Kathy Palm Reed — kpr.confidential@clarku.edu
Professor Andrew Stewart — als.confidential@clarku.edu

**The Center for Counseling and Personal Growth**
114 Woodland Street, 508-793-7678

Confidential and free individual therapy is available to students, including education regarding normal reactions to sexual assault and relationship abuse and how to cope with distress.

**Off-Campus Resources**

**Daybreak Domestic Violence Services (YWCA)**
ywcacm.org/domestic-violence, 508-755-9030

Domestic Violence Services at the YWCA provides direct and comprehensive support to survivors of domestic violence, and works to create community solutions that prevent domestic violence and promote healthy relationships. 24-hour hotline: 508-755-9030

**Financial Assistance**
508-755-8601

Confidential assistance may be available for costs related to medical care, mental health counseling, and other expenses through the Victims of Violent Crimes Compensation Program, operated by the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Office.

**Medical Services**

These providers can offer physical exams (e.g., sexual assault examinations or “rape kits”) and provide sexual and reproductive health services (e.g., STI and pregnancy testing), in addition to other medical services.
UMass Medical University Campus
55 Lake Avenue North, Worcester, 508-421-1750
SANE (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner) nurses on call 24/7

UMass Medical Memorial Campus
119 Belmont Street, Worcester, 508-334-6481
SANE nurses on call 24/7

St. Vincent Hospital
123 Summer Street, Worcester, 508-363-5000
SANE nurses on duty 24/7

New Hope Inc.
Toll-free, 24-hour hotline at 800-323-HOPE (4673)
22-24 Park Avenue, Worcester, 508-753-3146
(Supervised Visitation & RESPECT Program ONLY)
New Hope is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization serving domestic and sexual violence survivors. Since domestic and sexual violence are often intertwined, clients benefit from the full spectrum of programs offered, allowing them to receive domestic and sexual violence services in one place. Services combine crisis intervention, violence prevention, life transition, and self-sufficiency opportunities, while promoting behavioral and systemic changes to reduce violence at the individual and community levels.

Office of the Worcester County District Attorney
worcesterda.com/resources/victim-resources/help-for-victims-of-sexual-assault
List of resources for people who have experienced sexual assault, domestic violence, and other crimes.

Pathways for Change (Rape Crisis Center)
588 Main Street, Worcester
24-hour, toll-free hotline: 800-870-5905
pathwaysforchange.help/pfc
The mission of Pathways for Change, Inc. is to provide quality and multicultural services to those whose lives have been impacted by sexual violence and to provide education geared toward ending violence.

Planned Parenthood
800-258-4448
plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthood-massachusetts
The mission of Planned Parenthood is to protect and promote sexual and reproductive health and freedom of choice by providing clinical services, education, and advocacy, noting that sexual health is essential to every person’s well-being. Planned Parenthood can provide medical care including STI tests, pregnancy tests, routine exams, birth control consultations, and other general sexual health procedures.

Violence Recovery Program at Fenway Health
Western Massachusetts Office: 857-313-6638
Boston Office: 617-927-6250
fenwayhealth.org/care/behavioral-health/violence-recovery
Free counseling and advocacy, specializing in services to the LGBTQ community. Fenway Health’s Violence Recovery Program (VRP) provides counseling, support groups, advocacy, and referral services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and anti-LGBTQ hate violence. VRP staff have specialized training and experience in working with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) individuals.

Worcester Police
Police Headquarters: 9-11 Lincoln Square, Worcester
For Emergencies: 911 Nonemergency calls: 508-799-8466
VENDING POLICY
Given the high demand by external vendors for on-campus sales, the following policies will be enforced.
1. External vendors must contact the Events Planning Office (508-793-7471) to schedule sales dates.
2. Vendors will be limited to no more than two dates per month.
3. A contract will be issued that outlines specific vending information.
4. Fees must be paid upon arrival.
5. Clark students in “for-profit” ventures will be expected to follow the same guidelines as external vendors.

The University reserves the right to deny any vendor request and/or cancel future dates.

INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION
To schedule tables for ticket sales and/or information distribution, on-campus groups must contact the Events Planning Office (x7471). Spaces are available on a limited first-come, first-served basis. Every attempt will be made to accommodate the request.

JURY DUTY IN MASSACHUSETTS
According to the Office of the Jury Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, every U.S. citizen 17 years of age or older who is a Massachusetts resident or an inhabitant for 50% of the time is eligible to serve as a juror. If you are a resident of another state but a student at a Massachusetts college, you are an inhabitant for more than 50% of the year and, therefore, eligible to serve as a juror in Massachusetts.

There are no student exemptions from jury duty. Like all jurors, students may defer their service up to one year from the original date.

Massachusetts residents who study in a different county in Massachusetts may receive a summons from the county where their school is located. For example, a Boston resident (from Suffolk County) who attends Clark University (in Worcester County), may be summoned to appear for
jury duty in Worcester County. It is possible for students to receive two summonses, one from their home county, and the other from Worcester County. College students must serve in response to only one summons, whichever one was issued first.

Out-of-state students attending Clark who live here for six months of the year or more are eligible to serve in Massachusetts. This often comes as a surprise to out-of-state students, who may come from a jurisdiction where only permanent residents of that state are eligible to serve.

It is not unusual for students residing in Worcester County to be summoned to serve as trial jurors. Jury service, on a short-term basis, can provide students with a good opportunity to fulfill one of their important responsibilities as members of the community. Clark University supports students in their fulfillment of this civic duty.

Students should carefully read all materials included with the summons to service, which contain helpful information about confirming, postponing, rescheduling, or relocating service, and address many of the most frequently asked questions. Jury duty is an important legal obligation, and those who fail to respond are subject to criminal prosecution.

Students who must miss class in order to fulfill their jury service requirement should notify each of their instructors of the summons and make arrangements to complete any missed work. The Dean of Students Office may also be able to assist in making arrangements for missed class time due to jury service by confirming your summons with your professors. Students may be required to furnish their summons notice when making these arrangements.

If you have any questions about jury duty, please contact the Office of the Jury Commissioner (1-800-THE-JURY). Further information can also be found at massjury.com.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Registered to vote? Why not?

Visit worcesterma.gov/e-services/document-center/elections to learn more.
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LIVING ON CAMPUS

More than 1,750 undergraduate and graduate students reside in the University’s eight residence halls and 14 houses. On-campus housing is managed by the Office of Residential Life and Housing (RLH), seven professional staff members, and 42 undergraduate resident advisers (RAs); staff provide leadership, guidance, and opportunities for residents to involve themselves in the campus community.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

Students entering college for the first time must live on campus for their first four semesters at Clark. Exceptions to this policy must be granted by the Office of Residential Life and Housing and are only made if the student will be living with a parent or legal guardian and the primary residence is within the city of Worcester. Students who transfer into Clark as juniors or seniors are not required to live on campus, but are certainly invited to. Those who transfer in as first-years or sophomores must live on campus until junior status is reached. Students reaching junior status in the middle of the year, however, are reminded that their housing contract extends through the academic year, and they are expected to remain on campus for the entire year. Questions about this policy should be directed to RLH.

OFFICE OF RESIDENTIAL LIFE AND HOUSING

The goal of this office is to provide a living environment that allows for academic pursuits, interpersonal interactions, educational opportunities, and social events. It encourages freedom of action and self-expression within the context of community responsibility.

RESIDENCE HALLS AND HOUSES

BUILDING ACCESS AND SECURITY

University residence halls are secured by a computer-controlled card entry system; residents use their Clark OneCards to enter. An alarm will sound at University Police if one of the outside doors is kept open longer than is reasonable for entry. Individuals who prop doors open jeopardize security. Wright, Bullock, and Dana halls are first-year-only living areas and access to these buildings is limited to first-year students. All residential students have access to mixed or upperclass halls except during quiet hours (see page 26), when access is limited to a student’s assigned residence hall. Students who would like to visit a resident of another building during quiet hours should call their RA or use the call box located at the front entrance of each residence hall. All guests of a residence hall should be escorted by a resident of that building.

University houses are locked 24 hours a day; residents’ room keys also unlock the front door. All residents are strongly encouraged to keep their room doors locked while they are out, asleep, or otherwise not able to control access to their rooms.

The University cannot assume responsibility for the theft of or damage to personal property. Any loss of personal property should be reported to University Police by calling 793-7575 (x7575 from your room phone). You are encouraged to purchase renter’s insurance or to have your personal belongings covered under your parents’ or guardians’ homeowner’s insurance, if possible.

BUILDING OPENING, CLOSING, AND BREAKS

The occupancy period begins at 9 a.m. one day before the start of classes for returning students and 9 a.m. on the day of orientation for new students. University residence buildings close at noon on the day after final exams for both fall and spring semesters. All students should vacate their rooms 24 hours after their last exams, although graduating seniors may remain in their rooms until noon on the day after Commencement. Students are responsible for knowing the posted dates for closing and breaks.

If you wish to remain in your residence hall/house during the October, Thanksgiving, and March break periods, you may do so, but the halls and houses are closed during winter break. Students who need to stay on campus during winter break may elect to do so, for an additional charge, at the discretion of RLH. Students may elect to arrive up to 48 hours early (or leave 48 hours late) for a fee. Students who arrive on campus early, without prior approval, will be charged $150 per day if they wish to stay on campus. Rooms must be vacated at the end of the academic year, which means that all personal belongings must be removed from the room by the established deadline.

COLLECTIONS/DRIVES

Individual students and student groups may collect items for donations in on-campus housing with permission from the RLH office. All individuals or groups seeking to hold a collection or drive in a residence hall must respect the following guidelines:

- Each residence hall has one location for the placement of collection boxes; a list of locations is available from RLH.
- Only one collection/drive may occur at a given time.
- Collections are scheduled by week. Multiple weeks may be requested, but will be limited to two (2) weeks if there is another request.
- Boxes may be placed beginning on Monday morning of the first week and must be collected by Sunday evening of the final week. Any boxes not collected by Sunday may be discarded by RLH or Facilities staff.
- Collection boxes must be provided, monitored, emptied, and collected by the requesting group or individual.

To schedule placement of a collection box, visit the RLH office or email ResLife@clarku.edu.

DUTY HOURS

While classes are in session, a resident adviser in each residence hall is on duty every night from 9 p.m. until 7 a.m. Signs are posted in the buildings to indicate who is on duty and how they can be contacted.

From 9 p.m. to midnight, Sunday through Thursday, and from
9 p.m. to 2 a.m., Friday and Saturday, the RA on duty is in cellphone contact with RLH professional staff and University Police, and is available to assist residents, enforce quiet hours, and perform building rounds. After these hours the RA is available to respond to emergency situations in the building.

EMERGENCIES
In the event of an emergency in your residence hall or house, immediately call University Police (x7575).

FIRE DRILLS AND EVACUATIONS
Fire drills are held periodically, and all residents and guests are expected to leave the building during these drills. You should be aware of the quickest and safest ways out of the building: RLH staff will provide this information at the beginning of each semester.

During fire drills, RLH staff and University Police will check all rooms to make sure that all students have evacuated the building, and to note any fire safety issues.

HOUSING CONTRACT
The housing contract you have signed is a full-year agreement. You are obligated to reside in University housing throughout the period of time designated on your contract. You may apply for a request to be released from your contract, but there must be substantial documentation that supports your request. Appeals can be emailed to housing@clarku.edu; granted housing appeals are subject to a $1,500 cancellation fee.

LAUNDRY FACILITIES
All University residence halls and houses have washers and dryers. Unlimited cold water washing and drying cycles are an included amenity for residential students only. Hot water washing is available for 50 cents. Nonresident students found using washing machines or dryers in a University-owned property will face conduct action and be fined $50. Large residence halls have online access to track available washers and dryers. As a courtesy to others, if you find that one of the machines is broken, contact your RA, the RLH office (x7453), or go to automaticlaundry.com to report the problem.

LOCK-OUT POLICY
The lock-out policy ensures the safety and security of all residents by immediately replacing lost keys. Residents who become locked out of their rooms and cannot reach a roommate or suitemate to let them in should contact University Police or an RA.

RAs are available for lock-outs during duty hours and when otherwise available during the day. If an RA is not available, or it is after duty hours, contact University Police (x7575). Residents will be required to show proper identification and verify their room assignment before being let in; once re-entry is granted they will be asked to show their keys to verify that they have not been lost. House residents who lock themselves out should call University Police.

Since the security of a campus residence is of utmost importance, students will be permitted one excused lock-out per academic year. A second lock-out will result in an educational meeting with your RLH Professional Staff. The consequence for three or more lock-outs is conduct action and a $25 service charge per incident.

LOST KEYS/CLARK ONECARD
If you lose your room key during the course of the year you will be charged a replacement fee for your key and, when applicable, a new lock. It is strongly recommended that you carry your key and Clark OneCard, which serves as your University ID, at all times. If you lose your room key you should notify Residential Life and Housing immediately. Once you contact Residential Life and Housing they will send you a payment link for the associated costs of replacing your key and, when applicable, other lock components. The total cost will be $100 or $150. Once payment has been confirmed, Residential Life and Housing will contact you with instructions to pick up your new key.

PARTIES/SOCIAL GATHERINGS
Due to COVID-19, parties and social gatherings are a violation of the RLH Guest policy.

POSTING POLICY
Guidelines have been established to help student groups and organizations advertise their events while maintaining a respectful and clean residence hall environment.

Before they may be posted in residence halls or houses, all signs to advertise events must be stamped, initialed, and dated by the Office of Residential Life and Housing (Higgins University Center, third floor) or by Student Leadership and Programming. All signs should include the date, time, and event location, admission charge (if applicable), and contact information. Announcements cannot advertise alcohol. Any signs/announcements that are considered to violate the Code of Student Conduct will not be stamped.

Any office or student group that would like posters/signs displayed in residence halls or houses should complete the following steps:

1. Bring 9 copies of posters/signs to the RLH office between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
2. After they have been stamped, posters/signs will be given (by RLH) to the person in charge of each building or house.
3. Posters/signs will be hung on Monday and Thursday of each week.
4. Posters/signs will be hung on a bulletin board in the main lobby area. Posters/signs found anywhere else in the building will be taken down immediately.
5. RLH staff will remove all flyers once events have taken place.
6. Only RLH staff may hang posters/signs in areas other than the main bulletin boards. Any unauthorized posters/signs or items not posted by RLH staff will be removed.
If you notice any of these things not happening as indicated, please contact the Office of Residential Life and Housing so that any problems can be addressed.

PROHIBITED AND APPROVED ITEMS

Prohibited items found in any room or suite are subject to confiscation by University staff or University Police. The following materials are not permitted in the residence halls:

- Extension cords
- Candles
- Hot plates
- Space heaters
- Incense
- Fireworks
- Traffic signs
- Halogen lamps
- Hoverboards
- Lava lamps
- Live, cut trees (e.g., a holiday tree)
- Oil lamps
- Weapons
- Air conditioners
- Fuels
- Automotive parts
- Any additional items prohibited by law, University policy, or deemed unsafe by University staff

RLH permits the use of UL-approved power strips and multi-plug adapters with internal surge protectors, as well as other UL-approved appliances that are not listed above or otherwise prohibited in Residential Community Standards and the housing contract. For information on UL-approved appliances, visit ul.com.

RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION/
RESIDENCE HALL AND HOUSE COUNCILS

Residence Hall Councils represent students living in specific residence halls/houses and are formed at the beginning of each academic year. The purpose of these councils is to promote community, diversity, and awareness through programming and advocacy, with the ultimate goal of increasing the quality of life in these buildings.

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) represents the entire student population and governs the hall councils, ensuring that they remain active and focused. Additionally, the RHA works with the Office of Residential Life and Housing to maintain the quality of life for resident students.

SOCIAL LOUNGE RESERVATION POLICY

The Office of Residential Life and Housing recognizes campus organizations’ need for meeting space. While the office will try to accommodate organizations as much as possible, social lounges within the residence halls are a place for the residents of that building to gather on a spontaneous basis or to be used for programming. Taking all of this into consideration, RLH has established the following guidelines:

1. Call the RLH office (x7453) at least one week prior to the event and ask to speak to the professional staff member for the building in which you would like to reserve a space.

2. Only social lounges will be available for use by campus organizations. Study lounges may not be reserved. Recurring reservations may not be granted.

3. If a group is meeting in a social lounge without a reservation, the group may be asked to leave if there is a conflict.

STORAGE

Residential Life and Housing does not offer on-campus storage for personal belongings. Clark University has partnered with Collegeboxes Inc. to provide all Clark students the opportunity to store their belongings as easily as possible.

Collegeboxes, which operates the largest storage operation for college students in the country, provides you with boxes and materials you need to ship or store your items during summer break. Visit collegeboxes.com to learn more about the service and pricing.

ABOUT YOUR ROOM

DAMAGE CHARGES

A room condition report will be completed by the Residential Life and Housing staff before you move in and after you move out. You should review this report upon check-in to confirm the information and provide additions to your RA if needed. You are liable for damages sustained throughout the year and may receive a damage bill in June.

Residents are also responsible for damages in common areas, including (but not limited to) suites, kitchens, lounges, hallways, and stairwells. When common damages are found or vandalism is committed, a reasonable attempt will be made to determine the responsible individual(s). If the person(s) responsible is not identified, the cost of repair/replacement will be assessed to all residents of the building/floor/area.

ENTERING ROOMS

University staff reserves the right to enter and inspect room(s) as needed for the purpose of verifying compliance with health and safety standards, to investigate probable violations of the Code of Student Conduct, for inventory purposes, and for
making necessary repairs to rooms and furnishings periodically throughout each semester.

HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECTIONS
Periodically, the Residential Life and Housing staff inspects each room to ensure the safety of the buildings. During the winter break, all electrical appliances are checked to confirm they are unplugged (with the exception of MicroFridges) and windows/shades are closed. Prohibited items found in a student's room or suite during inspections will be confiscated and conduct action may be taken. Resident advisers will conduct at least one health and safety inspection per semester in University-owned houses. These are in addition to closing inspections and fire alarm testing.

ROOM ASSIGNMENTS
First-year and transfer student roommates are assigned by taking into account complementary lifestyles. Assignments are made regardless of race, religion, place of origin, sexual orientation, or intended majors. All University-owned housing is nonsmoking, students are matched as smoking or nonsmoking roommates, when possible.

Each spring a room selection process is held to allow students to choose their housing assignments for the following year. You will receive information in February regarding the housing selection and lottery process.

All students living in University housing may select to live with a roommate of a different gender in accordance with the gender-inclusive housing policy.

Single rooms are selected on a seniority basis. Any student needing to request a single room for medical reasons must submit the following:
1. A letter stating the specific medical condition and the specific housing need that it requires
2. Documentation from a medical professional supporting the request, which is approved by Student Accessibility Services

Please note: A granted request will guarantee that a regular single accommodation will be available; however, the location of that room is not guaranteed, unless related to the medical need. Medical singles are charged at the same rate as nonmedical double rooms.

ROOM CHANGE/CONSOLIDATION
There is a “room freeze” in effect during the first two weeks and the last two weeks of the fall semester, as well as the first two weeks of the spring semester and at the start of room selection process. Otherwise, room changes can occur at any time during the semester with the approval of the Office of Residential Life and Housing. Please come to the RLH office or visit its website for the required forms. It is the expectation of RLH that all prospective roommates be treated fairly and respectfully.
LIVING OFF CAMPUS
At Clark University, the majority of students live on or very close to campus. While first- and second-year students are required to live on campus and in University-owned housing (unless they meet the criteria to be commuters), juniors, seniors and graduate students can choose to move off campus and live in the Worcester community and Main South neighborhood. We understand that part of your growth and development may include gaining experience living in a more independent and autonomous environment like a shared apartment.

Clark University and the City of Worcester have collaborated to help foster a healthy and safe environment in the neighborhoods surrounding our campus. When you move off campus, you are moving into the “city,” even if your new apartment is only a few steps away from Clark property. We expect that you will consider yourself as much a resident of Worcester as you are a student at Clark University. As a member of the Worcester community, you have the additional obligation of knowing — and respecting — the rights, responsibilities, ordinances, and laws that accompany your new role as an off-campus student. Your transition from University-owned housing to more private living arrangements presents unique challenges.

This section provides valuable information about being a good neighbor and responsible renter to students who are, or who are thinking about, living off campus. Clark University and the local Main South community must be equal partners in ensuring a quality living experience for all. Off campus, Clark students play an integral role in the Main South neighborhood, and we hope you will make a positive impact on the community.

Off-campus students are expected to comport themselves according to all local and state laws and live within the expectations outlined in the Code of Student Conduct and The Clark Commitment. Off-campus students who violate any policy or law may be subject to disciplinary action through the conduct system.

OFF-CAMPUS RESIDENCY POLICY
Students entering college for the first time must live on campus for their first four semesters at Clark. Exceptions to this policy must be granted by the Office of Residential Life and Housing and are only made if the student will be living with a parent or legal guardian and the primary residence must be within the city of Worcester.

Students who transfer into Clark as juniors or seniors are not required to live on campus; those who transfer in as first-years or sophomores must live on campus until junior status is reached. Students reaching junior status in the middle of the year, however, are reminded that their housing contract extends through the academic year, and they are expected to remain on campus for the entire year.

Clark University expects all students to complete their residency requirement. Only students who are eligible to live off campus, or who have successfully appealed their current housing status, should sign a private lease. Signing a lease with an off-campus landlord will not exempt a student from their residency requirement and should only be done when a student is certain that they have completed the required four semesters on campus.

LIVING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD
Your actions, and those of your guests, are judged — partially — by the way you interact and relate to your neighbors and the local community. Many of the off-campus residences frequented by Clark students are nestled within the vibrant and diverse urban community of Main South. As a result, it is not unusual for student apartments to be located next to or very close to apartments that are home to families and residents who are not affiliated with Clark. Students should understand that our neighborhood is a blended one and not all residents will be accepting and/or tolerant of behavior that might be common in a residence hall or campus environment (i.e. staying up all night, larger gatherings, etc.). As a result, Clark University asks its off-campus students to consider the following suggestions for establishing a considerate and positive relationship with your new neighbors:

1. Meet your neighbors and introduce yourself. This simple first impression will help establish an immediate relationship with those who live around you. Provide your closest neighbors with a contact number where they can reach you if they have a concern, question, or problem.

2. Keep your property clean. Even though you are renting, you will be responsible for basic upkeep in and around your apartment. If driveways, walkways, and other visible spaces are littered with trash and debris, neighbors are sure to notice. How your property looks often determines what others think of you and the type of behavior you might be engaged in. This can lead to conflict with your neighbors, your landlord, and local authorities.

3. Consider informing neighbors of your gatherings. It’s important to know who your neighbors are and how they live. Not everyone is a college student with the privilege of having afternoon classes and weekends without time commitments. If you are living next door to a resident who needs to get to bed early or cares for a young child, you may find them sensitive to noise and disruption. Upset neighbors have the right to complain about unruly behavior, so any effort you take to better understand how you can live in harmony with those around you will make for a more positive living experience.

4. Park legally. Parking is tight in and around this neighborhood. All residents are looking to park their vehicles close to their own apartments. If you park illegally or irresponsibly, you should expect to be towed. Please refer to the “Parking” section to better understand the local laws for parking throughout the year.
5. Watch and monitor your noise. Noise is the single most common complaint and concern for neighbors. Keep music down and windows closed. Try to keep guests inside your apartment and end gatherings at a reasonable hour.

**UNIVERSITY JURISDICTION OFF CAMPUS**

The Clark University Student Code of Conduct has the jurisdiction to address behavior and action that occurs both on University property and off campus. Clark University Police do not have jurisdiction over property not owned by the University. As a result, Worcester Police (WPD) may be contacted to address any complaint or incident at off-campus residences. University Police (UP) may be contacted by WPD to assist when dealing with an off-campus incident that involves Clark students or properties where Clark students are known to reside. As a result, it is not uncommon for off-campus students to be approached by both WPD and UP if they are involved in questionable behavior. Off-campus residents need to understand that they are residents of Worcester and are subject to the laws and ordinances of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the City of Worcester. Illegal activity may be subject to a monetary fine, civil citation, or arrest. Students who are confronted by WPD and/or UP for off-campus issues may also be subject to on-campus conduct proceedings.

**WORCESTER NOISE ORDINANCE**

The City of Worcester has its own policy concerning noise and expectations related to the volume of any activity originating from a private residence or vehicle; the policy considers excessive or unnecessary noise as a “threat to the health, welfare, safety, and quality of life of the public.” As a result, Worcester has developed and passed strict legislation to govern the ambient noise levels within the city: No person or “electronic reproduction device” (radio/MP3 player) shall create a sound that can be heard 25 feet from the item generating the noise or the property containing the person(s)/sound device. Generally, this means that if noise can be heard on the sidewalk outside of your apartment, you may be violating this ordinance and, therefore, could be subject to complaint and action by WPD.

In addition, the City of Worcester has determined its own set of “courtesy hours”: Loud noises that bother or disturb the ambient quiet between the hours of 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. on any day of the week will not be tolerated and will be subject to a $50.00 fine and/or the possibility of arrest.

Also, no sound emanating from a vehicle (moving or parked) should be audible at a distance of 50 feet from that vehicle.

Living off campus means understanding how a neighborhood community operates. Because not everyone in your vicinity is attending Clark, the noise policies are actually more strict than you would find within the residence halls or University-owned houses.

Noise complaints remain the most common issue for our neighbors and our students. Please be careful and respectful of others when considering the amount of noise you generate and the time of day when you make this noise.
PARKING
Parking in the city — especially near or close to your private residence — can be extremely stressful. Many students choosing to live off campus will continue to pay for an on-campus parking decal to guarantee themselves a parking space. Off-campus students should understand that parking on campus without a decal is a violation of Clark's parking policy, and may be subject to a fine and/or removal of your vehicle at your expense.

If you live off campus and wish to park your car in the neighborhood, please follow all posted parking guidelines and restrictions. The Parking Enforcement Department of Worcester patrols the neighborhood regularly and will fine and/or tow your vehicle if it is parked illegally. Each year, the city will post notices of “street sweeping” and restrict parking on certain streets at specific times. The city will tow your vehicle if you disregard these notices.

During winter months, students should be aware that the city will declare “winter parking bans” that make parking on certain sides of the street — or parking on the street at all — illegal (depending on the street and where you live). Students living off campus should check telegram.com to see if a parking ban is in effect, or sign up with the City of Worcester (worcesterma.gov/e-services/winter-parking-ban) to receive parking ban alerts via text messaging or Twitter (@SnowParkingBan).

ALERT Worcester
As a Worcester resident, you may want to register to receive important health and safety alerts that impact the city. This may include severe weather emergencies, missing person notifications, or unexpected road closures. If you are interested in receiving these alerts, please visit worcesterma.gov/emergency-communications.

DOG LICENSES AND REGISTRATION
Some off-campus students might consider dog ownership if permitted by their lease. All dogs must be registered and licensed in the City of Worcester. According to city ordinance, all dog owners are responsible for keeping their dogs leashed and for cleaning up all waste.

SOCIAL HOST LIABILITY AND OFF-CAMPUS PARTIES
As an off-campus resident, you may consider hosting gatherings at your apartment or property that include the availability and/or consumption of alcohol. Massachusetts, like most states, has a “Social Host Liability Law” that places any party host at significant risk should anything happen to a guest during or after a gathering at your residence.

When you live on campus, Clark University takes responsibility for many of the actions that happen in and around the residence halls and houses. This is one of the reasons why Clark employs resident advisers and police officers who make frequent rounds of the property to address any questionable incidents or safety concerns. When you live off campus, you assume most of the responsibility associated with what happens in your apartment and under your supervision.

In the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the sale, delivery, or furnishing (making available) of alcohol to persons under 21 is prohibited and considered a violation of the law, subject to arrest at an officer's discretion. In addition, a "social host" may — under certain circumstances — be held liable for injuries caused by guests of any age who, having consumed alcohol at the host’s residence, does harm to themselves or to a third party. A “social host” is defined as any person who provides alcohol to others as an act of hospitality or hosts a gathering that serves or condones the consumption of alcohol. In Massachusetts, a host who simply allows alcohol to be consumed at their residence may be responsible for the actions of others.

If the guest is a minor and the host reasonably knew or should have known that they were allowing an underage person to consume alcohol, the host may be also be held responsible.
**FINDING AN APARTMENT**

It is important to consider a number of factors before you begin your apartment search and sign a lease that legally binds you to live in and/or pay for a particular room or apartment for a fixed period of time.

1. Are you ready to live off campus? Living on campus provides you with all the amenities you need to be a successful student. There are many hidden costs associated with moving off campus — costs you don’t have to worry about when you live on campus. These include wireless access, all your furniture (do you want to buy a bed, mattress, desk, etc.?), 24-hour security, facilities repairs, guarantee of emergency housing should something happen to your room or building, phone, electricity, expanded cable TV, laundry facilities, hot water, and heat. It may seem less expensive to live off campus when you look at your shared monthly rent costs, but be sure you have considered all the “extras.” Don’t move off because you think everyone else is; you have the rest of your life to live “off campus.”

2. Review your finances to determine how much you can afford.

3. Talk openly and honestly with the people with whom you are planning to live. Make sure everyone is ready for the financial commitment.

4. Look at a few apartments to get a sense of what might be available.

5. Ask the landlord to show you proof that the rental has met all local, state, and federal housing guidelines by showing you the Certificate of Occupancy (C/O).

6. CAREFULLY read the lease before signing it. If you have questions, consult an attorney, if you can.

**SHARING AN APARTMENT**

Living with a roommate on campus can be an enriching or agonizing experience. Moving off campus with friends is no exception. Unlike your on-campus living arrangements, you will not have the option to switch rooms or move out, because you will be financially obligated for a portion of the rent. Before you sign the lease together, make sure you discuss what it will be like to live together in this new type of environment. For example, you might want to discuss:

1. Values concerning alcohol, drug use, smoking, overnight guests (who are not paying rent), etc. What are you going to “allow” to happen in your home?

2. How will you differentiate between private and common spaces?

3. Financial obligations and community bill payment: How will these items be paid, and what are the deadlines for making payments? Nothing kills a friendship like people owing each other large sums of money!

4. Household chores and how those will be divided: Discuss critical cleanliness issues like bathrooms, kitchens, trash disposal, recycling containers, etc. Who is going to buy cleaning products, and what will the cleaning rotation look like? How will you deal with food and other personal items stored in shared locations?

5. Is there an expectation that your apartment will be a place for studying? If so, will you consider creating your own list of “rules” to govern your new home?

**WHAT IS A LEASE?**

The best way to think about your lease is as a contract that specifies what you and your landlord agree to do and provide to each other. A lease outlines specific responsibilities and obligations of both the owner and tenant(s) of a particular house or apartment. It details the rules by which landlords and tenants agree to live. Once signed, it also details what landlords and tenants cannot do. Should you become involved in a legal dispute with a landlord, the courts will generally hold you to everything you agreed upon by signing the lease. In general, landlords will not be in favor of “breaking” a lease and allowing you or other tenants to leave before the agreed-upon date.

**TENANT’S RIGHTS**

In Massachusetts, all tenants and landlords are subject to laws and regulations that create a safe and respectful living environment for those who choose to rent property. In general, as a tenant you have the following basic rights:

- The right to deny your landlord entry to your apartment unless they give notice and are inspecting the premises, making repairs, showing the apartment to prospective renters, or if permitted by a court order.

- The right against retaliation from a landlord following a tenant’s decision to make a formal complaint.

- The right to a habitable environment that includes working water, heat, safe kitchens, a pest-free environment, safe structural elements, and reasonable snow removal.

For a complete list of tenant rights and landlord responsibilities, visit mass.gov and search “Tenant and Landlord Rights.”

**RENTER’S INSURANCE**

College students renting an off-campus apartment or house (as well as living in on-campus residence halls) should strongly consider purchasing renter’s insurance to protect their personal property in the event of damage, fire, destruction or theft. Your parents’ homeowner’s insurance coverage may extend to a college residence hall, but most often such coverage will not apply when a student signs a lease to live off campus.

Your landlord’s insurance will not cover your personal property in the event that it is stolen or damaged as a result of a fire, flood, theft, or other unexpected circumstance. Without personal renter’s insurance, you will be expected to cover the replacement and/or repair costs of your personal items.
Renter's insurance is affordable and can average between $15 and $30 per month, depending on the location and size of the rental unit combined with the policyholder’s personal possessions. Students should consult their parents/guardians or a local insurance agent to discuss renter’s insurance before taking residence in their new apartment.

**MOVING INTO YOUR NEW APARTMENT**

It is always a good idea to note any existing damage and necessary repairs on the lease BEFORE you sign it. If you arrive to move in and see issues or items that are new or remain unaddressed since the lease signing, you should note those and/or take photos of these issues and bring them to the immediate attention of your landlord.

**MOVING OUT OF THE APARTMENT**

It is your legal obligation to give your landlord notice of your intent to leave. This is usually done at or around the time your lease is about to expire. If you do not plan to seek a renewal of your lease, you should take the initiative and let your landlord know at least 30 days before the termination date of your lease (unless otherwise noted on your lease — some leases may require 3 months’ notice).

This notice to move out should include your full name, the names of all other persons on the lease, the address of the unit you are currently occupying, and the date that you plan to vacate the apartment. You should also include a forwarding address in case the landlord needs to send a security deposit or contact you for any reason.

Your rental apartment should be cleaned appropriately and according to whatever condition indicated on the lease. Do not leave behind large pieces of furniture or place those items in the yard or on the sidewalk. You could be fined significantly for doing this and forfeit your right to a return of your security deposit. Whenever possible, have your landlord present when you vacate the apartment so the final inspection can be done together. This allows you to receive your security deposit (assuming everything is okay with the property), return the keys, and settle the termination of the lease.

**TRASH AND RECYCLING**

More likely than not, your trash and recycling will need to be properly disposed of according to the City of Worcester’s policies. Waste disposal and recycling were extremely easy when you lived on campus, but now require you to follow specific policy and curbside pickup regulations. You may also be required to purchase Worcester trash bags — an additional cost of living off campus!

For information on how to properly dispose of trash, what goods to recycle, and how those items are picked up from your property, please visit [worcesterma.gov/dpw/trash-recycling](worcesterma.gov/dpw/trash-recycling). Your landlord should explain this information to you, but this site includes the pick-up schedule, a list of retailers that sell Worcester bags, and the items that you must recycle each week.

The usual pick-up day for the neighborhood is Wednesday and you cannot put your trash and recycling out before 6 a.m. on that day. Please remember that if Monday is a holiday, the pick-up day for the area will move to Thursday.

**IMPORTANT NUMBERS AND RESOURCES**

As you move into your apartment, you will be responsible for setting up accounts for some basic and, in some cases, optional services like electricity, cable TV, etc. Here is a quick list of the local providers and to get you started:

- **Cable TV (Charter Communications)**
  charter.com 888-438-2427
- **Electricity (National Grid)**
  nationalgridus.com 800-322-3223
- **Telephone (Verizon)**
  verizon.com 888-583-8111
- **Natural Gas (NSTAR)**
  nstar.com/residential 800-592-2000
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WELCOME TO WORCESTER
As a member of the Clark community, you are also a resident of the City of Worcester. Many students enjoy their explorations of the city during their time at Clark. We hope you will take the time to get out into Worcester and its surrounding towns, as Central Massachusetts has a lot to offer you! There are a multitude of opportunities available for you to broaden your cultural, social, and environmental horizons. Grab a friend and take a ride, using this guide to find places you might want to visit—or at least “drive by.” Get lost in the city. Find a green place to picnic, hike, or just relax.

Students often have questions about Worcester. Here is a brief history of the city that Clark University calls home:

Worcester is the second-largest city in New England, behind Boston and just in front of Providence, R.I. Named after the historic city of the same name in England, Worcester (which roughly translates as “War Camp”) was incorporated as a town in 1722 and chartered as a city in 1848.

Before being settled by colonists, the Worcester area was home to the Pakachoag Tribe of the Nipmuc Nation. They called the area in and around Worcester “Quinsigamond,” which means “fishing place for pickerel.” Mt. Wachusett, now known as a skiing destination, was considered their sacred place. On Sept. 10, 1684, British settlers changed the town’s name from Quinsigamond to Worcester.

During the Revolutionary War, Worcester served as a center for revolutionary activity. In 1775, determining that Boston was becoming too dangerous, Isaiah Thomas moved his newspaper The Massachusetts Spy to Worcester. On July 14, 1776, Thomas gave the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence in New England on the steps of Old South Church. He also founded the American Antiquarian Society in 1812. This research library holds nearly two-thirds of all items known to have been in print in America from 1639 through 1820. People from all over the world come to Worcester to study this unique and comprehensive collection of American history.

Known for its history in commerce, industry, education, and social thought, Worcester and nearby Blackstone Valley (the inspiration for Blackstone Hall) claim a historic role as the birthplace of the Industrial Revolution. Worcester factories gave birth to barbed wire, the monkey wrench, textile looms, and the envelope folding machine.

In 1908, the Royal Worcester Corset Factory was the largest employer of women in the United States, with more than 1,200 female workers. The first American-made valentine card was designed and manufactured in Worcester in 1847 by Esther Howland.

As a result of its importance as an industrial epicenter for skilled and unskilled laborers, Worcester was a prominent destination for immigrant populations in the 1800s and early 1900s. In fact, it has been the entry point of opportunity for many immigrant populations from around the world: Irish, Italians, Lithuanians, Poles, Swedes, Finns, Syrians, Lebanese, French Canadians, Vietnamese, Russians, Armenians, Greeks, Albanians, Brazilians, Libereans, and Congolese.

These immigrant populations formed “ethnic enclaves” that created a rich texture in the neighborhoods of Worcester. Swedes settled in Quinsigamond Village and the Greendale neighborhood; Italians along what is now Shrewsbury Street; the Irish, Polish, and Lithuanians in Kelley Square and Vernon Hill; and the Jewish immigrants built their first synagogue on Grafton Hill. The African American community has called Worcester home since colonial times. Worcester has always been a city proud of its diverse heritage and multiethnic identity.

As a city that built itself during the industrial boom, Worcester handled the accompanying population increase using an innovative form of affordable housing known today as “three-deckers.” Many immigrant families were able to settle together in these unique tenements. Today, three-deckers represent a significant portion of available housing in the Main South neighborhood.

Despite being a large city, Worcester and its surrounding areas remain a “wild place” for recreation, parks, and green spaces. In just minutes, you can change your environment from city to suburb—from the concrete jungle to lush, green parks and open spaces. While at Clark, be sure to check out Elm Park (one of the first public parks in the United States), Green Hill Park, Bancroft Tower, Boynton Park, the Blackstone River Valley, Shore Park, Lake Quinsigamond, Broad Meadow Brook, Mt. Wachusett, Coe’s Pond, Moore State Park, Rutland State Park, Purgatory Chasm, Tower Hill Botanical Garden, Hadwen Park, Lake Park, Institute Park, Indian Lake, or Doane’s Falls.

Not an outdoor person? Turn to page 60 for a listing of the wonderful restaurants, shops, museums, theaters, and entertainment that Worcester has to offer.

People often ask, “What’s so special about Worcester?” Here are a bunch of “Worcester Firsts” to impress your friends and family!

• The first national convention advocating women’s suffrage was held in Worcester in 1850.

• Candy Cummings is said to have thrown the first-ever curveball while playing in Worcester.

• Lee Richmond of the Worcesters pitched the first perfect game in Major League Baseball history on June 12, 1880, in Worcester.

• Clark’s first president, G. Stanley Hall, founded the American Psychological Association here; its first meeting was held on campus in 1892.

• Worcester resident Henry Perky became the first to mass-produce shredded wheat in 1895.

• Candlepin bowling was invented in Worcester in 1880.
• Physics Prof. Robert Goddard, A.M. 1910, Ph.D. 1911 — the “father of modern rocketry” — ushered in the Space Age with his launch of the first liquid-fueled rocket (which he had patented in 1914) in Auburn, Mass.

• Physics Prof. Albert Michelson received the Nobel Prize in 1907 for his experiments in calculating the speed of light. He was the first American to win a Nobel Prize in any science.

• Paul Siple, Ph.D. ’39, defined “wind chill” and created an index to measure it.

• The birth control pill was released by the Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology. One of its developers was Dr. Gregory Pincus, a Clark professor from 1938-1945, who conducted research (while at Clark) on female sex hormone biogenesis and metabolism.

• Charles Olsen, a Worcester poet and native, coined the term “postmodern” in 1958.

• Harvey Ball created the famous yellow smiley face design in 1963.

• The first federally licensed HIV/AIDS test was designed by Cambridge Bioscience Corp., based in Worcester, in 1988.

Many famous people also hail from Worcester, or spent considerable time in the city. Here are a just a few:

• George Bancroft, historian and founder of the U.S. Naval Academy

• Elizabeth Bishop, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and writer

• Jesse Burkett, baseball Hall of Famer

• Bob Cousy, NBA Hall of Famer; former Holy Cross Crusader and Boston Celtic

• Dorothea Dix, social reformer

• Abby Kelley Foster, women’s rights advocate

• Robert Goddard, father of modern rocketry

• Emma Goldman, anarchist

• Abbie Hoffman, 1960s radical who founded the Yippie party

• Stanley Kunitz, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet

• Denis Leary, comedian and actor

• Albert Michelson, first to measure the speed of light

• Frances Perkins, U.S. Secretary of Labor from 1933-1945; first female member of the U.S. Cabinet

• Cole Porter, songwriter

• Marshall “Major” Taylor, world-class cyclist and the first African American athlete to win an international competition

• Ernest Thayer, author of *Casey at the Bat*

• Judge Webster Thayer, judge of the Sacco-Venzetti trial

• Isaiah Thomas, patriot and member of the Sons of Liberty
LOCAL FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT, AND SERVICES

AREA DINING

MAIN STREET

Acoustic Java ★ L ☞
Coffee, sandwiches
932 Main St. 508-756-9446

Annie’s Clark Brunch ★ L ☞
Diner [cash only]
934 Main St. 508-756-1550

Armsby Abbey ★ ☞
American, Pizza, Bar
144 Main St. 508-795-1012

China Lantern L ☞
Chinese (take-out/delivery available)
930 Main St. 508-767-9995

Fantastic Pizza ★ L ☞
Pizza, Greek, Middle Eastern
(take-out/delivery available)
910 Main St. 508-798-5577

Hacienda Don Juan L ☞
Salvadorian, Mexican (free delivery available)
875B Main St. 508-756-2076

McDonald’s L ☞
(drive-thru available)
995 Main St. 508-757-535

Saigon L ☞
Vietnamese
976 Main St. 508-799-5250

Debbie’s Pizzeria ★ L ☞
Pizza
(take-out/delivery available)
974 Main St. 508-926-8175

PARK AVENUE

Altea’s Eatery
American, French
259 Park Ave. 508-767-1639

Applebee’s Neighborhood Bar and Grill ☞
American
632 Park Ave. 508-363-3032

Baba Sushi ☞
309 Park Ave. 508-752-8822

Bagel Time ☞
Bakery
194 Park Ave. 508-798-0440

Da-Lat Restaurant ★ L ☞
Vietnamese (take-out available)
425 Park Ave. 508-753-6036

El Basha ☞
Middle Eastern
256 Park Ave. 508-795-0222

Jamaica Thymes L ☞
482 Park Ave. 508-868-1511

New England Roast Beef ☞
33 Park Ave. 508-756-1991

Park Grill & Spirits
American
257 Park Ave. 508-756-7995

Peppercorn’s Grill & Bar L ☞
Italian
455 Park Ave. 508-752-7711

Wendy’s L ☞
(drive-thru available)
500 Park Ave. 508-831-9910

YoWay Café & Frozen Yogurt L ☞
395 Park Ave. 508-459-0611
Due to COVID-19, many local food, entertainment and services may have restricted access or take-out only. Please check directly with the Business and always wear your mask!

**SHREWSBURY STREET**

111 Chophouse
American, steaks
111 Shrewsbury St. 508-799-4111

Boulevard Diner ★
24-hour diner
155 Shrewsbury St. 508-791-4535

Flying Rhino Café ☑
American
278 Shrewsbury St. 508-791-2030

Funky Murphy’s Bar & Grille
Irish pub
305 Shrewsbury St. 508-753-2995

Miranda Bread Inc.
Bakery, Brazilian
140 Shrewsbury St. 508-791-2030

Nuovo
Italian
92 Shrewsbury St. 508-796-5915

Parkway Diner
Diner
148 Shrewsbury St. 508-753-9968

Piccolo’s Restaurant
Italian
157 Shrewsbury St. 508-754-1057

VIA Italian Table ★ ☑
Italian
89 Shrewsbury St. 508-754-4842

Volturno Pizza
72 Shrewsbury St. 774-312-7220

**OTHER LOCAL DINING**

99 Restaurant ☑
11 E. Central St. 508-792-9997

Bocado Tapas Bar & Restaurant ☑
Spanish
82 Winter St. 508-797-1011

Boynton Restaurant & Spirits ★ ☑
American, pub
117 Highland St. 508-756-5432

Bushel N Peck ☑
Deli, sandwiches
643 Chandler St. 508-799-6305

Ciao Bella ☑
Pizza, sandwiches
402 Grove St. 508-756-2426

Culpepper’s Bakery
Bakery, diner
500 Cambridge St. 508-791-8393

George’s Coney Island Hot Dogs ☑
158 Southbridge St. 508-753-4362

Joey’s Bar & Grill
344 Chandler St. 508-797-3800

King Chef Chinese Restaurant
Chinese (take-out/delivery available)
205 Chandler St. 508-767-0209

Leo’s Ristorante
Italian
11 Leo Turo Way 508-753-9490

Mezcal Tequila Cantina ★ ☑
Mexican
30 Major Taylor Blvd. 508-926-8308

Moe’s Southwest Grill ★ ☑
3 Stafford St. 508-459-6060

Nancy Chang Restaurant ☑
Chinese, buffet
372 Chandler St. 508-752-8899

Panera Bread
120 Gold Star Blvd. 508-856-7007

Smokestack Urban Barbecue
BBQ, ribs
139 Green St. 508-363-1111

Subway ☑
399 Southbridge St. 508-755-7080

Texas Roadhouse
535 Lincoln St. 508-853-7266

The Sole Proprietor ☑
American, seafood
118 Highland St. 508-798-3474

Westside Steak & BBQ
2 Richmond Ave. 508-756-6328

Wings Over Worcester ★ ☑
Wings, BBQ
(take-out/delivery available)
1 Kelley Square 508-421-9464

Wooberry Yogurt
141 Highland St.

**COFFEE**

Acoustic Java ★ ☑ ☑
Coffee, café
932 Main St. 508-756-9446

Bean Counter Coffee & Bakery
113 Highland St. 508-754-3125

Boston Donuts ★ ☑
338 Park Ave. 508-753-4600?

Dippin Donuts ★ ☑
1001 Main St. 508-755-9700

Dunkin Donuts ☑
421-427 Main St. 508-791-5053
845 Main St. 508-753-9555
211 Chandler St. 508-798-8354
610 Park Ave. 508-753-9696

InHouse Coffee
225 Shrewsbury St. 508-363-1212

NU Café
335 Chandler St. 508-926-8800

Starbucks Coffee
1 W. Boylston St. 508-595-9315
PIZZA
Antonio’s Pizza by the Slice
268 Chandler St. 774-530-6000
Blue Jeans Pizza
270 Park Ave. 508-753-3777
Brick Oven Pizza
75 Maywood St. 508-755-1111
Domino’s Pizza
413 Park Ave. 508-754-2236
Fast Way Pizza
84 West Boylston St. 508-852-2300
Fresh Way Pizza
1406 Main St. 508-752-4131
Pizza Hut
1269 Main St. 508-753-8884
Worcester Corner Grille
806 Pleasant St. 508-754-8884
Worcester Pizza Factory
75 Maywood St. 508-755-1111

MALLS
Auburn Mall
385 Southbridge St. # 1775, Auburn
Greendale Mall
7 Neponset St., Worcester
Lincoln Plaza
525 Lincoln St., Worcester
Natick Mall
1245 Worcester St. # 1218 Natick
Solomon Pond Mall
601 Donald Lynch Blvd., Marlborough
The Shops at Blackstone Valley ★
The Shops at Blackstone Valley
70 Worcester-Providence Tpke., Millbury
Wrentham Outlets
1 Premium Outlets Blvd., Wrentham

MOVIE THEATERS
Blackstone Valley 14: Cinema De Lux
The Shops at Blackstone Valley
70 Worcester-Providence Tpke., Millbury
508-853-4000
Hoyt’s Cinema
Solomon Pond Mall
601 Donald Lynch Blvd., Marlborough
508-481-7993
Showcase Cinema North
135 Brooks St. 508-853-4000
West Boylston Cinema
101 W. Boylston St., West Boylston
508-835-8888

MUSEUMS
EcoTarium
Indoor/outdoor science museum
222 Harrington Way, Worcester
508-791-9211
Worcester African Cultural Center
33 Canterbury St. 508-757-7727
Worcester Art Museum ★
55 Salisbury St. 508-799-4406
worcesterart.org
Worcester Historical Museum
30 Elm St. 508-753-8278
worcesterhistory.org

WORCESTER NIGHTLIFE
Moynihan’s
Bar; billiards
897 Main St. 508-753-6150

OUTDOORS
Elm Park ★
Park Ave. between Elm and Highland Streets
Purgatory Chasm ★
Hiking Trail
Purgatory Rd., Sutton 508-234-3733
Tougas Family Farm
234 Ball St., Northborough
508-393-6406
Tower Hill Botanical Garden
11 French Drive, Boylston 508-869-6111
Wachusett Mountain Ski Area
499 Mountain Rd., Princeton
508-464-2300

ACTIVITIES
AMF Town & Country Lanes
405 Boston Turnpike, Shrewsbury
508-754-7050
Buffone Skating Arena
Ice Skating Rink
284 Lake Ave. 888-747-5283
Colonial Bowling Center ★
Candlepin bowling
248 Mill St. 508-754-7645
Crystal Caves
Family Entertainment Center
Mini golf; batting cages; ice cream
790 Southbridge St., Auburn
508-832-0797
SkyLite Roller Skating Center ★
648 Park Ave. 508-757-8640
Sky Zone Indoor Trampoline Park
290 Turnpike Rd. (Rte. 9), Westboro
508-870-5867
Worcester Center for Crafts
25 Sagamore Rd. 508-753-8183

★★ Clarkie Favorite
Walk Distance from Campus
★ Within Clark Escort Range
★ Worcesters Magazine “Best of 2018”
★ Accepts Clark Cash Card
THEATERS AND CONCERT VENUES (WORCESTER)

DCU Center ★
50 Foster St. 508-798-8888
dcucenter.com

Hanover Theatre for the Performing Arts ✔
2 Southbridge St. 877-571-7469
thehanovertheatre.org

Mechanics Hall
321 Main St. 508-752-5608
mechanicshall.org

Palladium ★
261 Main St. 508-797-9696
thepalladium.net

LOCAL SERVICES/AMENITIES

BANKS

TD Bank
370 Main St. #200 508-368-6529
500 Grafton St. 508-752-5090
ATM in Higgins University Center

Bank of America
255 Park Ave. 800-432-1000

Commerce Bank
386 Main St. 508-767-6840
11 Park Ave. 508-797-6970

People’s United Bank
120 Church St. 508-890-5199

Webster Five Cents Savings Bank
266 Chandler St. 508-890-5990

DRY CLEANING

Note: Residence hall laundry facilities are free of charge

Trippi’s Tailors and Cleaners ☑
1025 Main St. 508-756-9438

Zoots Dry Cleaning ✔
633 Park Ave. 508-363-3700

HEALTH SERVICES

UMass Memorial Medical Center ✔
508-334-1000
Hahnemann campus: 281 Lincoln St.
Memorial campus: 119 Belmont St.
University campus: 55 Lake Ave. North

Planned Parenthood Center of Central Massachusetts
470 Pleasant St. 508-854-3310

SUPERMARKETS/PHARMACIES/ CONVENIENCE STORES

7-Eleven ✔
409 Park Ave. 508-753-7154
973 Main St. 508-751-8515

Big Y Supermarket ✔
100 Mayfield St. 508-793-9011

CVS Pharmacy ✔
400 Park Ave. 508-792-3866

Farmer’s Markets (Seasonal)
306 Chandler St.: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
University Park: Saturday

Honey Farms ✔
24-Hour Convenience Store
443 Park Ave. 508-767-1326
(Bank of America ATM location)

Living Earth ☑
Organic groceries
232 Chandler St. 508-753-1896

Price Chopper ☑
24-hour Supermarket
50 Cambridge St.
221 Park Ave. 508-363-4870

Price Rite
117 Gold Star Blvd. 508-853-7443

Shaw’s Supermarket
68 Stafford St. 508-755-5808

Santiago’s Market
664 Main St. 508-438-3666

Trader Joe’s
77 Boston Tpke., Shrewsbury
508-755-9560

Walgreen’s ☑
Open 24 hours
320 Park Ave. 508-767-1732

PUBLIC AGENCIES

Internal Revenue Service
120 Front St. 508-793-8227

The UPS Store
210 Park Ave. 508-757-1700

Registry of Motor Vehicles
611 Main St. 617-351-4500

Social Security Administration
51 Myrtle St. 866-331-9069

Worcester Public Library ★
3 Salem Square 508-799-1655

U.S. Post Office
484 Main St. 508-795-3745
381 Chandler St. 508-752-1558
4 East Central St. 508-795-3600

PRINTING SERVICES

Note: There is no charge to print at Academic Commons.

Curry Copy Center
165 Southbridge St. 508-751-6600

FedEx Store
77 Boston Tpke., Shrewsbury
508-756-1977

UPS Store
210 Park Ave. 508-757-1700
TRANSPORTATION

Note: Clark University operates a free Safety Escort van service for Clark students that runs 2 p.m.–10 p.m., 7 days a week during the academic year, and provides service within a quarter-mile of campus. (508-793-7777)

Clark University Student Council runs a free, scheduled shuttle service to area malls, and periodically provides a free bus to Boston and Providence, on weekends during the academic year.

AIRPORTS

Logan International Airport
1 Harborside Drive, Boston
1-800-235-6426

T.F. Green Airport
2000 Post Road, Warwick, R.I.
401-691-2471

Worcester Regional Airport
375 Airport Drive 508-799-1350

BUSES

Union Station ★
Greyhound/Peter Pan Trailways Bus Lines
34 Washington Square 508-754-3247

CABS

Red Cab ★
508-792-9999

Yellow Cab Co.
508-754-3211

LIMOUSINE

Knight’s Airport Limo Service
508-839-6252

Worcester Airport Limousine Service
508-756-4834 or 1-800-660-0992

TRAINS

Union Station
Amtrak: 508-755-0356
MBTA service to Boston: mbta.com
34 Washington Square
For the most up to date information regarding the 2020 - 2021 academic year, please visit clarku.edu/offices/registrar/academic-calendars

NOTE: School of Management and School of Professional Studies students should refer to their departments’ academic calendars, as many dates differ from those shown above.