EXCEPTIONS

Students who are over the age of 21 or under the age of 17 by the 1st day of class.

Students who have active duty service in the United States Military.

Students who have legal dependents.

Students who are legally married.

Students who live in New Hanover, Pender or Brunswick counties and reside with their legal guardians will be granted an automatic exception and no additional paperwork is required.

Students living with non-legal guardians such as: grandparents, aunts/uncles, cousins, brothers/sisters, family owned homes, etc. will not qualify for the exception.

Students with disabilities for whom off campus housing options are necessary for maintaining reasonable health and general safety.

A student may request to have their Two-Year Residency waived by submitting a written appeal if they meet one or more of the following exceptions:

• Students who are over the age of 21 or under the age of 17 by the 1st day of class.
• Students who have active duty service in the United States Military.
• Students who have legal dependents.
• Students who are legally married.
• Students who live in New Hanover, Pender or Brunswick counties and reside with their legal guardians will be granted an automatic exception and no additional paperwork is required.
• Students living with non-legal guardians such as: grandparents, aunts/uncles, cousins, brothers/sisters, family owned homes, etc. will not qualify for the exception.
• Students with disabilities for whom off campus housing options are necessary for maintaining reasonable health and general safety.

WAIVER OF THE TWO-YEAR RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

If a student feels they meet one or more of the exceptions listed above and wishes to waive the Two-Year Residency Requirement for on-campus housing and meal plan waived, they should follow the below instructions for a written appeal.

1. Fall under one or more of the exemption categories listed above.
2. File a formal request for a residency waiver. Please visit the policy on our website:
   https://uncw.edu/housing/prospective_students/two-year-residency-requirement.html
3. Provide requisite information and documentation in support of the request.

Send requests and supporting documentation by May 1, 2021 to the following address:
UNCW Housing and Residence Life
601 S. College Road Wilmington, NC 28405-5959
Appeals received after May 1st will be considered on a case by case basis.

At any point a violation of the Two-Year Residency Requirement is discovered, the student will be charged for one full-semester of housing as well as the default “Hawk Silver Meal Plan”. The student will then be referred to the Office of Dean of Students for additional sanctioning, which may include a requirement to move on campus.

Questions regarding the Two-Year Residency Requirement should be directed to UNCW Housing and Residence Life at housing@uncw.edu or 910-962-3241, while questions about the associated meal plan requirement should be directed to Auxiliary Services at mealplans@uncw.edu or 910-962-3560.