Pre-Arrival

To prepare for arrival, please review all additional documents that are included in your Notice of Assignment email. These additional documents include: your parking pass for move-in, parent meal pass, and instructions on how to view your housing assignment and room PIN online.

Still need your Panther Card? Avoid the lines on move-in day by submitting an ID photo online in advance for your ID card! Your ID will be printed and ready for pickup before you arrive! The deadline for photo submissions is December 17th! www.pc.pitt.edu/card/photoid.php

Arrival

RESIDENCE HALLS

Residence halls open for the spring term on Saturday, January 6, 2018. We encourage you to arrive between 9 AM - 1 PM as we have reserved this time specifically for our new spring students. University classes begin on Monday, January 8, 2018.

Students who currently have their Panther Card or submitted an ID photo online in advance: when you arrive to campus, you should proceed to the welcome desk at your assigned housing accommodation*. When you check in with the welcome desk attendant, you will be required to show photo identification. If you currently have a Panther Card, you will update your card with the welcome desk attendant for access to your spring housing assignment. If you submitted an ID photo online, you will be able to pick up your new Panther Card at your welcome desk. If you don’t have a Panther Card and did not submit a photo online, you will need to stop by Panther Central prior to moving your belongings into your on-campus housing accommodation to obtain your Panther Card. Please bring a photo ID with you. You will need to show proof of identification to be issued your Panther Card.

*Please Note: On Saturday, January 6, 2018 from 9 AM to 7 PM residents of Towers A and B are able to pick up and update their ID cards at the Cart Station in the Towers Garage.
APARTMENT-STYLE ACCOMMODATIONS

Bouquet Gardens Residents: Please report to the Bouquet Gardens Building J Welcome Desk upon arrival. The welcome desk attendant will have an envelope for every new student who submitted a photo online in advance for their ID card. All others who still need their Panther Card will need to go to Panther Central before moving into their apartment.

Centre Plaza Residents: You will receive your room keys at your building’s welcome desk upon arrival.

Forbes-Craig and Ruskin Hall Residents: Forbes Craig mailbox keys will be available at your building’s welcome desk upon arrival. Residents of Forbes Craig and Ruskin will have all additional access added onto your Panther Card.

Unloading Areas
Attached you will find a parking pass that allows you to park for up to one hour at the designated unloading area for your accommodation. Please put it on your dashboard when you reach campus so that we may easily direct you to your accommodation. The parking passes are valid in designated areas on Saturday, January 6, 2018 through Sunday, January 7, 2018.

Temporary Parking:
- Ruskin Hall (Ruskin Ave Meters)
- Bouquet Gardens (SN Lot Meters)
- Litchfield Towers A&B (The Towers Garage)
- Litchfield Tower C (BQ Lot Meters)
- Sutherland Hall (U Lot)
- Nordenberg Hall (University Place Meters)
- Forbes Hall (Forbes Ave Meters)
- Lothrop Hall (Lothrop Street Meters)
- Schenley Quad (The Quad Meters)

On any other date or at any other location, a permit or payment is necessary.

Carts, Wristbands, and Welcome Gifts

Carts will be available on Saturday, January 6, 2018 and Sunday, January 7, 2018 from 9 AM - 7 PM to help you move into your building. You must have your Panther Card in order to sign out a cart; you are required to return you cart to the cart station when you are finished with it.

CART LOCATIONS

Towers Lobby Cart Station
- Available for residents of Towers and Schenley Quad
- Wristbands will be available for guests to assist with move-in*
- Make sure to pick up your Welcome Gift

* Please Note: A Cart Station will be available for residents of Towers A and B on Saturday, January 6, 2018 in the Towers Garage.

Lothrop Hall Cart Station
- Available for residents of Lothrop Hall
- Located in vending area past the welcome desk
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- Wristbands will be available for guests to assist with move-in at the welcome desk*
- Make sure to pick up your Welcome Gift

**Sutherland Hall Lobby Cart Station**
- Available for upper-campus residents: Sutherland Hall, Irvis Hall, Panther Hall, and the Fraternity Complex
- Wristbands will be available for guests to assist with move-in*
- Make sure to pick up your Welcome Gift

Carts and wristbands will be available at the welcome desks of Nordenberg Hall, Forbes Hall, Centre Plaza, Forbes-Craig, Ruskin Hall and Bouquet J. All residents of Bouquet Gardens may check out a housing cart from Bouquet J. Residents of these buildings may pick up their Welcome Gift from one of the three Cart Stations, Panther Central, or Panther Central Express.

*In order to receive a wristband, all guests and student must be present and student must present a valid ID.

**Furniture and Furnishings**

**RESIDENCE HALLS**
Each bedroom contains the following furniture:

- Single bed with an extra-long twin mattress
- Desk and chair
- Chest of drawers and closet or wardrobe
- Carpeting and window blinds or curtains

**The following items are not provided:**

- Pillows, sheets, pillowcases, towels, bedspreads, and blankets
- Lamps*, Televisions**, and MicroFridges+
- Telephones are provided in rooms upon request; each building has hallway phones for student use.
- Trash cans

*Please do not bring high-intensity quartz lamps, particularly the torchiere type. Quartz lamps generate high heat and are a fire hazard.

**Televisions are provided in Bouquet Gardens Building J living rooms and in Nordenberg Hall bedrooms.

+ MicroFridges are provided in Brackenridge Hall, Nordenberg Hall, Panther Hall, and Irvis Hall.

**APARTMENT-STYLE ACCOMMODATIONS**
If your accommodation is in Forbes-Craig, Bouquet Gardens, Centre Plaza, or Ruskin Hall, you will be residing in apartment-style housing.

Each apartment includes a kitchen and a living/dining room area. Each kitchen is equipped with a refrigerator, dishwasher, stove, and microwave. Each living room (excluding Centre Plaza, which contains a two-seat sofa) is equipped with a sofa, a love seat or chair, and a coffee table. All apartments have either a dining table with chairs or a counter area with stools.

Each bedroom contains the following furniture:

- Single bed with an extra-long twin mattress
- Desk and chair
- Chest of drawers and closet or wardrobe
- Carpeting and window blinds or curtains
Spring Move-In

The following items are not provided:

- Pillows, sheets, pillowcases, towels, bedspreads, or blankets
- Televisions**
- Kitchen accessories
- Toilet paper and shower curtains
- Trash cans (only provided for Bouquet Gardens and Ruskin Hall)

*Please do not bring high-intensity quartz lamps, particularly the torchiere type. Quartz lamps generate high heat and are a fire hazard.

**Televisions are provided in Bouquet Gardens Building J living rooms and in Nordenberg Hall bedrooms.

Mail Services

Student Mail Services maintains seven mail centers located in or near each on-campus housing building. Resident students are assigned a mailbox in order to receive U.S. and campus mail. Student mail center hours will be posted at each location. To receive your mailbox combination, visit your building’s mail center.

Letters and packages mailed to you should be addressed as follows. Please be sure to tell your relatives and friends to use your nine-digit zip code! It is essential for fast mail sorting.

Make sure the following information is included on mail and packages:

- Student’s Name
- Building, Room, and Bed number
- Street Address
- City, State, and Zip Code

Please visit pts.pitt.edu/mailserv/mailing/15213.html for your specific building address and mail center location.

Security

All residence halls and most apartment-style buildings are staffed 24 hours a day, seven days per week, throughout the academic year. Valid Panther Cards are required for residents to enter their facilities. Visitors can be scanned in by building residents only if they present photo identification.

Bouquet Gardens Buildings A–H, and the Fraternity Complex are patrolled regularly by University Police. Valid Panther Cards are required for residents to enter their facilities. Visitors may only access the facility if permitted by the student residents. The Student Code of Conduct and judicial procedures will be distributed shortly after your arrival.

Dining Services

The spring term meal plan will begin on Saturday, January 6, 2018.

If you still need a meal plan for the spring, visit pc.pitt.edu/publications.php and download the meal plan application form.

Cable Television

High definition Comcast digital cable television, including basic channels, is provided in each bedroom in every on-campus accommodation and in the living areas of suites and apartments.
If you are planning to bring a television to campus, your television must be equipped with a QAM or Clear QAM digital tuner in order to be compatible with the Comcast digital cable provided on campus. You will need to check your owner’s manual and/or the manufacturer’s website to determine if your TV is equipped with the QAM or Clear QAM digital tuner. If you determine that your TV is not equipped with the QAM or Clear QAM tuner, you will need to purchase a digital converter box from your local electronics vendor.

**Telephone**

Telephones are available in the hallway of each building, rather than in individual rooms.

**Panther Card**

Your Panther Card is the only card you need on campus.

**Use your Panther Card to:**

- Access your housing accommodation and meal plan.
- Borrow books from the library.
- Access computer labs and fitness centers.
- Ride fare-free on and off campus on buses and shuttles.
- Get free or discounted admission to some of Pittsburgh’s most popular attractions.

- Use as a “stored value” card to make purchases. It’s simple: You load Panther Funds onto your Panther Card, then you can use it to make on-campus purchases like meals and snacks, books, event tickets, Pitt merchandise, and parking services. You can even use Panther Funds in campus laundry, vending, and copy machines. Panther Funds also are accepted at more than 40 off-campus merchants, such as restaurants, grocery, and drug stores.

**Panther Central**

**WE’RE AT YOUR SERVICE.**

All of our staff would like to welcome you and wish you success at the University!

For more information on housing, dining, and Panther Card services, visit Panther Central at pc.pitt.edu or call 412-648-1100.