

UPMC Hillman Cancer Center Academy

Residential Quick Reference

This is a quick reference sheet about the relevant information and policies that any students staying in the dorm should know. Some minor specifics may change year to year, such as the dorm or exact curfew hours, but overall policies are consistent.

Location:

Forbes Hall - <https://pc.pitt.edu/housing/halls/forbes.php>

3525 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Students, Doris Duke, Interns, and Resident advisors will be staying in Forbes Hall. The dorm is located on the west side of the university campus.

University Policies:

Students in the dorms will be expected to follow all University of Pittsburgh Housing policies, in addition to the policies of the Hillman Academy.

A detailed look at the policies can be found here - <https://www.pc.pitt.edu/housing/policies.php>

You can also contact Panther Central for any questions related to Pitt or the dorms. (info below)

The most important ones to note are the Guest, Technology, and Substance policies.

Transportation:

Transportation to and from your lab, keynote addresses, and events will be provided. We hire a private shuttle to take students to and from these required events. Anyone staying in the dorm will have access to the Pitt shuttle but not to the Port Authority (the public transit system in Pittsburgh). Getting transportation aside from these times is up to the resident. Students whose labs are located in the Oakland area are allowed to walk to their lab as they are within a few blocks.

Resident Advisors:

The dorm will have (usually) 3-5 Resident Advisors who will stay in the dorm with the students. RAs are responsible for the dorm students while they are not in the labs. The RAs will facilitate events, chaperone students, and be around to address the general non-research needs of the students.

RAs are in charge in the dorms, they make the call in terms of quiet hours, settling disputes should they arise, creating dorm events and requiring participation, and can set any guidelines or rules that they need.

In the event that an issue arises that cannot be resolved by an RA, then either student or RA can go to the Program Coordinator (Solomon Livshits, sol39@pitt.edu).

Curfew and Quiet Hours:

High School dorm students are required to be back from their labs by 5:00 PM. They will check in with the RA and then be allowed free time from 5-8. **Students must be back in by 8:00 PM and have checked in with the RA on duty.** Exceptions can be made if the lab requests it, or with written parental permission for a specific purpose (ex. Sports practice, outside visit, etc.)

Quiet hours will be decided by the RA based on student input and their judgement. By 8:00 PM students must be back in the dorm. By 10 or 11 we ask that they return to their rooms and remain quiet, however they can still do non-disruptive activities.

Free time – Free time is 5-8 pm but is subject to change based on the decisions of the RAs. Students are allowed to go within a designated area of the campus (this will be clearly shown to them by the RAs during orientation). **They are required to be with at least 1 other student or RA.** This is a privilege for the students as we want them to experience an authentic college setting. **If we find that this time is being abused, we will immediately take it away.**

Supervision:

Students are supervised by their mentors in the lab and the RAs in the dorms. At events they will be required to stay with the group. During free time they are required to be with a buddy from the program and to check in at the designated times. Dorm students may not go anywhere else unaccompanied, unless given specific permission.

Rooming:

Rooms will be a double set up. Each student will likely have one roommate. Girls and boys will be on separate floors or sections.

Resident advisors will have either a double or a single depending on availability in the dorm.

Each floor has a communal lounge that all students have access to.

Meals:

Breakfast- Will be provided at the dorm. Usually something small like cereal, fruit, granola. We take into consideration the tastes of the students as we learn what they like.

Lunch- Will be provided at their specific research site.

Dinner: Students will get a meal card that allows them to use the UPMC Presbyterian Cafeteria. There are a variety of options and students will have ~\$7 a meal.

RAs are responsible for their own meals.

Important contacts:

Program Coordinator – Solomon Livshits, sol39@pitt.edu, 412-624-5534

Panther Central (FOR DORM INFORMATION ONLY) - <https://www.pc.pitt.edu/> 412-648-1100