First-Year Residency Requirement
2011-12 Academic Year
Effective August 2011

Definitions:
First-year students – All first-time CSM students
Full-time status – For the purpose of this requirement and the residence hall contract, full-time status is 12 or more credit hours per semester.

Policy Statement:
Subject to the availability of space, all full-time first-year students are required to live in the residence halls for the entire academic year (fall and spring semesters). Limited exceptions may be granted on a case-by-case basis, according to a waiver process that will be fairly and consistently enforced. Additionally, all students who live in the residence halls are also required to carry a residential meal plan.

Nothing in this policy shall supersede the conditions of an existing fully executed residence hall contract, including all conditions for terminating the contract.

Possible Criteria for Exceptions:
Students who meet one or more of the following criteria, evaluated on a case-by-case basis, may be granted an exception to the first-year live-on requirement:
1) Are married or have a registered domestic partnership,
2) Are the parent or legal guardian of a child(ren) that resides with them,
3) Are 21 years or older prior to the first day of classes for the fall semester,
4) Have lived on-campus at another post-secondary institution for at least two semesters,
5) Will live at home with their parent/guardian(s) at their parent/guardians’ permanent residence within 20 miles from campus and commute to campus daily,
6) Are approved to live in a fraternity or sorority house for the spring semester, if the Greek organization has met specific standards identified through the ALPHA program,
7) Have served in the United States military for a year or more, or
8) Transfer students who first enroll for the spring semester may be required to live in the residence halls for the spring semester only.

Exception Requests:
To request an exception to the first-year residency requirement, please submit the request to bwaller@mines.edu.