Thank you for your interest in applying for a residence hall room at Northern Michigan University for the 2015-2016 academic year. Please complete the application and return it with a $125 residence hall advance payment to the Student Services Center – Residence Hall Advance Payment, 2201 Hedgcock, 1401 Presque Isle Avenue, Marquette, MI 49855. (Completed applications can be dropped off at the Student Services Center located at 2201 Hedgcock – building #9 on the campus map.) Make your check payable to Northern Michigan University with your (student’s) name and NMU IN (Northern Michigan University’s Student Identification Number) on the check. This advance payment, which includes a $50 non-refundable reservation fee, will be applied toward the amount due for your room and board.

**University Housing Requirement** All single undergraduate students must live in a University residence hall while enrolled for classes unless they: 1) live at home with their parent(s) or legal guardian(s) within 60 miles from campus, 2) have lived four or more semesters in a college or university residence hall, 3) have reached junior status (56 or more college credit hours), 4) are 21 years of age or older on or before the last official day of registration for the fall semester, 5) are veterans who qualify for veterans’ benefits for active service in the armed forces, or 6) are taking eight or fewer credits.

Any student may apply for an exception to the Housing Requirement, which is a Condition of Enrollment at NMU, for extenuating circumstances beyond the student’s control which may prevent him or her from living in a residence hall. Information about the procedure for doing so may be obtained on the University’s website – www.nmu.edu/housing/requirements - or by contacting the Housing and Residence Life Office (Office address: 3502 C.B. Hedgcock, Marquette, MI 49855; Phone: 906-227-2620, e-mail: housing@nmu.edu).

**Accommodations** The Housing and Residence Life Office seeks to provide reasonable accommodations for students with certified disabilities. Information about the procedure for requesting an accommodation may be obtained on the University’s website – www.nmu.edu/dso or by contacting the Disability Services Office (Office address: 2001 C.B. Hedgcock, Marquette, MI 49855; Phone 906-227-1700, e-mail: dso@nmu.edu).

**Residence Hall Contract** Students are required to sign a Residence Hall Contract when they check-in and, as long as they are enrolled, are obligated to the terms of that contract for the entire academic year, ending with the last day of the winter semester. If a student terminates his or her enrollment, the contract will also be terminated provided he or she follows proper check-out procedures. A student who wishes to terminate his or her contract in order to accomplish one or more academic program requirements out of the area or due to extenuating circumstances, must apply to have his or her contract terminated.

**Payment Information** In addition to payment in full by the appropriate due date, Northern Michigan University offers two options for the payment of tuition, fees, housing, and dining services charges – the Easy Pay Plan or the Deferral Payment Plan. To read more about these payment options, go to www.nmu.edu/paymentplans. Financial aid in excess of tuition, fees, room and board, and other financial obligations will be returned to the student.

**Terms** To make it easier for you, we have defined some of our residence hall terms below:

- **House**: One-half of a floor. The house is the most basic level of residence hall community. Each house has its own designation, name, identity, rules and guidelines, goals, student government, activities, etc.

- **Suite**: Most room assignments are suites – two student rooms (each normally occupied by two students) connected by a shared bathroom. Male and female students are assigned to separate suites.

- **Private Bathroom**: The bathrooms for rooms with a private bathroom are not shared with students from another room. Rooms with private bathrooms may be occupied by one or two students.

- **Two-Person Efficiency Apartment**: Only Spooner Hall has two-person efficiency apartments – a living/ cooking/dining area, a bedroom, and a bathroom.

- **Coed by Suite**: Men and women live in separate suites – two rooms connected by a bathroom - in the same house and share a TV, study, and laundry room.

- **Same Gender Houses**: Just men or just women are assigned to all of the rooms in these houses. These houses are not ‘coed.’

- **Study Houses/Hall**: These areas are for students who want a relatively quiet atmosphere, especially in the evening and at night.

- **Upperclassmen Areas**: These areas are for students who have already lived in a college or university residence hall for four or more semesters; are juniors, seniors, graduate students; or are at least 21 years old. Students in these areas prefer to live in a more subdued environment with others with common interests and who are looking ahead to life after college. In addition, students in these areas may possess and consume alcohol beverages in their residence hall according to specific guidelines provided they are 21 years of age or older.

**Residence Hall Preferences** The residence hall application requests a variety of preference information from each applicant. Every effort will be made to accommodate each applicant’s preferences when assignments are made, however due to space limitations not all preferences will be accommodated. Please complete the application carefully so it accurately states what you would like us to consider when making your assignment. Fall semester residence hall and roommate assignment information (including name, address, and phone number) will be emailed to each student in early August, in time for roommates to get in contact with one another. Winter semester assignment information will be emailed just before the start of the University’s Holiday break (approximately Monday, December 21st).
2015-2016 Dining Service Options and Rate Information  All residence hall students are required to be on one of the meal plans listed below. The options available to each student depend on his or her hall assignment and his or her class standing.

All Freshman Students Except Those Assigned to Spooner Hall All freshman students assigned to any residence hall, except Spooner Hall, will be required to be on the Platinum or Gold Constant Meal Plan. These meal plans provide students with ‘all-you-care-to-eat’ access to food served in either the Marketplace (located between Gant, Spalding, Payne, and Halverson Halls) or in the Wildcat Den (located next to West and Spooner Halls) whenever and as frequently as he or she wants from the time the facilities are open until they close. Please check the Dining Services web site at www.nmu.edu/dining or contact Dining Services (phone - (906) 227-2520 or email - dining@nmu.edu) with questions concerning operating hours.

Other Students: Students who have achieved at least sophomore status (earned at least 28 credit hours) may choose from the Platinum Constant, Silver 14 or Basic 10 meal plans.

Meal Plans:
1. Platinum Constant – The rate for 2015-16 is $4,720 ($2,360/semester) which includes Late Night access, 10 guest passes, $750 ($375/semester) in Dining Dollars, which can be used for purchases in any facility operated by Dining Services.
2. Gold Constant - The rate for 2015-16 is $4,498 ($2,249/semester) which includes Late Night access, 8 guest passes, $320 ($160/semester) in Dining Dollars, which can be used for purchases in any facility operated by Dining Services.
3. Silver 14 - Students who select this meal plan may eat any 14 meals they choose per week in either residential dining facility. The rate for 2015-16 is $4,244 ($2,122/semester) which includes 4 guest passes, $260 ($130/semester) in Dining Dollars that can be used for purchases in any facility operated by Dining Services.
4. Basic 10 - Students who select this meal plan may eat any 10 meals they choose per week in either residential dining facility. The rate for 2015-16 is $3,302 ($1,651/semester) which includes 8 guest passes, $100 ($50/semester) in Dining Dollars that can be used for purchases in any facility operated by Dining Services.

Students Assigned to Spooner Hall Students assigned to Spooner Hall (upperclassman and students over 21 years of age) may choose from any of the meal plans listed above or they may choose the Spooner Plan. The rate for this plan for 2015-16 is $1,738 ($869/semester). The entire value of this plan is Dining Dollars that can be used in any facility operated by Dining Services.

Smoking. As of August 1, 2014, Northern Michigan University is a tobacco-free campus. The use of any tobacco product including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco, and e-cigarettes is prohibited in or on any property owned by NMU (with the exception of the NMU golf course and personal vehicles with the windows closed). The use of tobacco products is still prohibited in university buildings, including all residence halls. Please visit www.nmu.edu/tobaccofree for more information.

Past Behavior/Criminal Activity Northern Michigan University reserves the right to determine at its discretion that past behavior and/or criminal activity on the part of an applicant for University housing is such that the interests of the University, students, and/or the applicant would be best served if the applicant was not permitted to live on campus.

There are two questions in this regard on the application. A student who answers ‘yes’ to either question must send a full statement of relevant facts with appropriate documentation from either the school or the court that adjudicated the charges to the Housing and Residence Life Associate Director, 3502 C.B. Hedgcock, Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI 49855-5301 no later than 10 days after submitting the housing application and prior to moving into University housing. If any ‘no’ answer changes to ‘yes’ after the application is submitted, but prior to the applicant’s moving into University housing, the student must submit the statement of relevant facts within three days of the event(s) which resulted in the change and prior to moving into University housing. The applicant’s statement and documentation will be handled confidentially.

A student who answers ‘yes’ to either question will not be assigned to University housing until a determination of the applicant’s eligibility is made following a review of the statement and documentation by the Director of Housing and Residence Life or a committee consisting of one representative each from the Housing and Residence Life Office, the Admissions Office, the Dean of Students Office, and the Public Safety and Police Services Office. The student will be notified of the decision in writing. Any false statement in this regard may lead to a rejection of the residence hall application or immediate termination of the student’s residence hall contract.

Canceling Your Application Should your plans change and you will not be living on-campus, you must notify the Housing and Residence Life Office in writing (3502 C.B. Hedgcock, Marquette, MI 49855), or e-mail housing@nmu.edu by August 1, 2015 for the fall semester or January 3, 2016 for the winter semester to receive the $75 refundable portion of your advance payment. Reservations will be held until 1:00 PM on the first day of classes (Monday, August 24 for the 2015 Fall Semester and Monday, January 11 for the 2016 Winter Semester).

Questions If you have questions about the residence halls at NMU, please call the Housing and Residence Life Office (906/227-2871 or 2620) or e-mail housing@nmu.edu and include “Residence Halls” on the subject line.

Information about dining services is available at www.nmu.edu/dining. If you have questions about dining services, please call the Wildcat Express Office (906/227-2645).
Residence Hall Preferences Please indicate your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd residence hall preferences in the spaces on the far left below. Check the additional spaces provided to indicate your specific option preferences. While it cannot be guaranteed, every effort will be made to accommodate one of your three preferences. Additional information about the residence halls is available by going to Residence Halls on the NMU website - www.nmu.edu/housing.

__ Gant Hall __ is a welcoming, social, easy-going community that is home to a variety of adventurous personalities. These primarily underclassman students provide a supportive, open-minded atmosphere for one another. Gant residents share a sense of pride and responsibility for the traditions within their spontaneous and close-knit community. Loft kits manufactured to fit the beds are available for rent. Options: ___ Male-only, ___ Coed by suite

__ Halverson Hall __ - Students who live in Halverson have an open-door community where neighbors become friends very quickly through house, hall, and campus activities. This positive environment helps students create a healthy balance of their academic and social interests. Halverson’s positive reputation makes it more than just a place for students to live; instead they are like “one big family.” Options: ___ Female-only, ___ Male-only, ___ Coed by suite

__ Hunt Hall __ was completely renovated in the summer of 2008. The students there pride themselves on their open-minded, active enjoyable community with a “family feel.” Home to primarily underclassman students, Hunt is known for its traditions, fun environment, and friendly people. Hunt Hall residents enjoy having fun, but they also know how to be respectful. Due to the type of furniture that is installed in student rooms in Hunt Hall personally constructed lofts will not be permitted. Manufactured loft kits that fit the beds will be available for rent. Option: ___ Coed by suite

__ Magers Hall __, completely renovated in the summer of 2005, is also home primarily to freshman and sophomore students. Magers hall is a place where leaders are shaped. The students living there have pride in individuality while still thriving as a connected community. Friendly people help one another balance social and academic interests and encourage each other to reach their full potential. Due to the type of furniture in student rooms in Magers Hall personally constructed lofts are not permitted in this building. Loft kits manufactured to fit the beds are available for rent. Option: ___ Coed by suite

__ Meyland Hall __ was completely renovated during the summer of 2006. Meyland Hall residents ask, “Don’t you want to go where everybody knows your name?” They describe their hall as a place where residents feel like “it’s all in the family.” Students living in Meyland know each other and are very supportive of one another. Meyland Hall hosts events each year that central on diversity awareness. Due to the type of furniture in student rooms in Meyland Hall personally constructed lofts are not permitted. Manufactured loft kits that fit the beds are available for rent. Option: ___ Coed by suite

__ Payne Hall __ has a friendly, studious atmosphere that has been described by the students who live there as “quiet, but not too quiet.” Payne Hall has been designated as a “study hall” with predetermined quiet hours - from 7 in the evening until noon the next day. This does not mean that the students in Payne Hall are not social; the opposite is true. Students living in Payne Hall take full advantage of opportunities to create and participate in house, hall, and campus activities. Loft kits manufactured to fit the beds are available for rent. Options: ___ Female-only ___ Male-only, ___ Coed by suite, ___ Academic achievement (requires a minimum 2.75 GPA) - Recommended for Honors Program students/coed by suite

__ Spalding Hall __ is a healthy balance of everything. It is a vibrant community where friends are more than just friends, they are family. Residents are known for their Wildcat Spirit, their welcoming, safe atmosphere, and their involvement in and around the community. Spalding’s competitive nature is prevalent in hall competitions and intramural sports. Someone’s door is always open and there is always something to do. Loft kits manufactured to fit the beds are available for rent. Options: ___ Female-only, ___ Coed by suite, ___ Study house with specific quiet hours (7 PM until noon the next day)/coed by suite

__ Spooner Hall __, centrally located near most of NMU’s facilities, Spooner Hall is a smaller residence hall that is home to upperclassmen (junior status or higher) and students 21 years of age or older. They characterize their hall as relatively quiet, comfortable, enjoyable, and family-like. Spooner residents enjoy hockey games and occasional hall parties. Loft kits manufactured to fit the beds are available for rent. Options: ___ Two-person, same gender efficiency apartments, ___ Single room/coed by suite

__ Van Antwerp Hall __, completely renovated during the summer of 2007, has a relaxed, inviting atmosphere that promotes personal commitment to both social and academic success. The atmosphere in Van Antwerp promotes an overall wellness of mind, body, and spirit. Due to the type of furniture in student rooms in Van Antwerp Hall personally constructed lofts are not permitted. Manufactured loft kits that fit the beds are available for rent. Options: ___ Female-only, ___ Male-only, ___ Coed by suite ___ Academic achievement house (requires a minimum 2.75 GPA) - Recommended for Honors Program students/coed by suite

__ West Hall __ is a uniquely diverse, fun-loving, supportive community. Residents are consistently striving to be a close-knit family unit. They openly exchange ideas and discuss issues that are important to college students. Students who live there describe it as a positive academic environment with an active social atmosphere. Option: ___ Coed by suite ___Two-person, same gender efficiency apartments (very limited number available)
Private Bath  If one is available, do you want to be considered for a room with a private bath for an additional charge?  ___ Yes ___ No
All residence halls, except Spooner Hall, contain at least one room that has a private bath – the bathroom is not attached to another room and, therefore, is not shared. Students who request a room with a private bath will be assigned on the basis of date of application (earliest first). The additional charge per student for a room with a private bath for 2015-16 is $128 per semester for a two-person room and $256 per semester for a single room.

Lifestyle and Personal Preferences  All students, including those who request a specific roommate or a single room, are urged to complete this section. Students will be matched to the best possible roommate based on their responses to the questions below. Please check the answer to each question that most accurately describes you. It is very important that all students answer the questions as honestly as possible.

- Are you a smoker?  ___ Yes ___ No  Note: Although smoking is not permitted in any residence hall student room or public area, the Housing and Residence Life Office will do what can be done to match non-smokers with non-smokers and smokers with smokers when making room assignments for those students who do not have a specifically requested roommate.  Please see important information in the instructions.
- Do you prefer to go to bed: ___ relatively early (generally before midnight) or ___ relatively late (generally quite a bit after midnight)?
- When you are studying are you: ___ easily distracted, preferring relative quiet or ___ able to ignore background noise or actually prefer to have some background noise (e.g., music)?
- Do you expect your room to be: ___ a fairly private place to relax and study or ___ a place where your friends and your roommate’s friends come to socialize?
- Do you prefer a roommate who does not drink alcohol?  ___ Yes ___ No  Note: The possession/consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in all residence halls except Spooner Hall (which is designated for juniors, seniors, graduate students, and students at least 21 years old).
- Do you prefer to: ___ keep your room neat with everything in its place most of the time or ___ not worry about how your room looks letting it get cluttered sometimes or even most of the time?

Single Rooms  If space is available, do you want to be considered for a single room for an additional charge?  ___ Yes ___ No
Note: A limited number of single rooms will be available for 2015-16. If space is available, students who request a single room will be assigned to one on the basis of total cumulative credit hours earned prior to the start of the semester (highest first). The additional charge for a single room is $658 per semester for 2015-16.

Roommate Preference (Optional)  My preferred roommate is:
Name: _______________________________ Roommate’s NMU IN: _______________________________(Must be included and must be correct #.)
Note: Students wishing to live together as roommates must request each other on this form or in writing to include e-mail (housing@nmu.edu).

Meal Plans  All students living on campus are required to be on a meal plan. (See attached application instruction page for additional information.)

Freshman Assigned to Residence Halls except Spooner Hall  All freshman students assigned to any residence hall, except Spooner Hall, must be on the Platinum or Gold Constant Meal Plan.

Other Students  Students who have achieved at least sophomore status (have earned at least 28 credit hours) assigned to any residence hall, may choose from the following options:

___  Platinum Constant Meal Plan includes $375 in Dining Dollars
___  Gold Constant Meal Plan includes $160 in Dining Dollars
___  Silver 14 Meal Plan includes $130 in Dining Dollars
___  Basic 10 Meal Plan includes $50 in Dining Dollars

Students Assigned to Spooner Hall  Students assigned to Spooner Hall may choose any of the options listed above (please √ above) or:
___  Spooner Hall Meal Plan

Behavioral/Criminal History
1. Have you ever been suspended or expelled from any secondary school, college, or university for a semester or more due to inappropriate behavior involving drugs (other than alcohol), theft, violence (assault, assault and battery, criminal sexual conduct, stalking, etc.), arson, threats against people or property, etc.?  ___ Yes ___ No
2. Have you ever been convicted of or pled guilty or no contest to any criminal offense involving drugs (other than alcohol), theft, violence (assault, assault and battery, criminal sexual conduct, stalking, etc.), arson, threats against people or property, etc., or been found to be delinquent by a juvenile court for any such offense(s), or are there such charges pending against you at this time?  (Please note that current Holmes Youthful Trainee Status for these offenses does not exempt you from this question.) ___ Yes ___ No

Confidential Contact (Optional)
All students living on campus have the option to name a confidential contact, other than the “Next of Kin” listed on his/her Application for Admission, to notify within 24 hours if it has been determined he/she is missing. This is a requirement of the Clery Act, a federal statute, for colleges and universities with on-campus student housing.

Name (First Last): _______________________________ Phone: _______________________________
(Please print) (Include Area Code) Email:

By signing this application, I declare that my responses are true and complete and authorize staff from the Housing and Residence Life Office to verify the information as necessary. I understand that any false statement on this application regarding my previous behavior or criminal history can lead to rejection of my application or immediate termination of my residence hall contract. I understand that NMU’s acceptance of my application will ensure that I will be assigned to a residence hall room, but, due to space limitations, does not guarantee me the specific preferences I have requested. I also understand that the residence hall contract I sign at check-in is for the entire academic year or from the time of arrival until the end of the winter semester.

Signed ________________________________  Date ______________________________

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