



FIT RESIDENTIAL LIFE OFFICE

# ON-CAMPUS

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## STUDY SPACES ON CAMPUS

Looking for a place to study for those finals? There's plenty of places right on campus!

**Cafeteria:** Starting Monday, May 17th the Cafeteria will be open **24 hours**. Hot tea and coffee will also be provided to get you through finals.

**Library:** Monday—Thursday: 8am-Midnight (4th and 6th floors until 10pm)  
Friday: 8am-6:30pm, Saturday: 10am-5pm, Sunday: Noon—9pm

## NEW COMPUTER LAB HOURS

Have you checked out the new computer lab hours?

**Sunday: Opens at 10am**

**Monday: Open 24 hours**

**Tuesday: Open 24 hours**

**Wednesday: Open 24 hours**

**Thursday: Open 24 hours**

**Friday: Open 24 hours**

**Saturday: Closes at 10:30pm**

**\*The only hours that the lab will be closed is Saturday 10:30pm-Sunday 10am**

## REMINDER! Declining balance meal plan participants

At the end of the semester any money remaining in your meal plan must be used or it will be lost. Monetary balances cannot be credited back to your student account, cashed out, or transferred to a meal plan for the fall semester.

Please plan accordingly to maximize the benefits of your declining balance meal plan. If you have any questions or you are unsure of the amount remaining on your declining balance, contact or visit FIT Dining Services.

## SUMMER HOUSING INFORMATION

Don't stress about finding a place to live this summer. Apply for summer housing by going to [MyHousing@FIT](mailto:MyHousing@FIT).

**For more information, check out: <http://www.fitnyc.edu/3220.asp> or email [summerhousing@fitnyc.edu](mailto:summerhousing@fitnyc.edu).**

# MOVE-OUT INFORMATION

The staff of the Residential Life Department wishes you the best of luck on your final exams and term projects. We ask that you are mindful of the fact that other residents will be completing projects and studying for exams through May 24<sup>th</sup>.

## HELPFUL END OF SEMESTER TIPS:

- Get some sleep. It is important that you carve out time to rest and get adequate sleep.
- Keep hydrated.....drink lots of water.
- Keep healthy snacks available....fruits, nuts are good choices.
- Keep your doors closed and locked at all times.
- Don't sneak people into the halls or sign-in strangers. Remain with your visitors at all times; you have a responsibility to the residents in your community.

## FINAL EXAM PERIOD:

- 24 hour quiet hours begin - Wednesday, May 19, 2010.
- Overnight visitation ends - Wednesday, May 19, 2010 @ 8:00 AM (The last night for overnight visitation is May 18, 2010)

## SPRING SEMESTER CLOSING:

**Residents must vacate** their room/suite and remove all belongings by 9:00 a.m. on the day following their last final exam or at the announced closing time (May 24, 2010), whichever is earlier.

**Graduating residents must vacate** their room/suite on Commencement Day, May 25, 2010 by 4:00 p.m.

**RESIDENTS WITHDRAWING FROM THE HALLS FOR FALL 2010 MUST TURN IN THEIR ID and key(s)**(residents staying for summer will receive separate instructions).

**RESIDENTS RETURNING TO THE HALLS FOR FALL 2010 WILL KEEP THEIR ID (ALL KEYS MUST BE RETURNED).**

Only residents who have paid for summer housing may remain in the residence halls after 4:00 pm, May 25, 2010.

Residents desiring summer accommodations should contact the Residential Life Office immediately. Check your travel plans now!

**Due to construction projects, Coed Hall and Nagler Hall will be closed as of May 28th.**

## ROOM CONDITION:

All rooms must be left in "move-in condition" (broom swept, drawers wiped clean, floors mopped, etc.). All unwanted items and garbage must be discarded by residents. Any items remaining will be disposed of by FIT maintenance staff at the resident's expense. Residents in suites are responsible for cleaning their refrigerator, stove, kitchen cabinets/sink and bath/shower/bathroom areas.

**PLEASE NOTE: ANY resident who fails to leave their room in "move-in condition" (see above) will be charged a cleaning fee to be determined by the maintenance department. If items are left in rooms and the student has NOT been accepted for summer housing, the student may be charged the equivalent of summer housing charges.**

**As a service to our students we have arranged the following:**

## CART AVAILABILITY:

- **Saturday, May 8 & Sunday, May 9, 2010:** 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM to 11:30 PM in Alumni Hall and Kaufman Hall lobbies
- **Saturday, May 15 & Sunday, May 16, 2010:** 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM to 11:30 PM in Alumni Hall and Kaufman Hall lobbies
- **Monday to Friday** - 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM in the Residential Life Offices and 6:00 PM to 11:30 PM from the RAs on duty.
- **Saturday, May 22 & Sunday, May 23, 2010:** 9:30 AM to 6 PM and 6:00 PM to 11:30 PM in Alumni Hall and Kaufman Hall lobbies

\*See cart schedule sign for more information\*

*Due to the limited number of carts, we encourage residents to have a cart or dolly brought from home for move out.*

\*Unattended cars will be towed or ticketed \*

## UPS SHIPPING:

A UPS store is conveniently located at 328 Eighth Ave (between 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> Streets). Hours of operation: Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm, Saturday from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm and Sunday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm. We encourage residents to consider packing and shipping items before becoming involved with finals and term projects. The residential life staff, in our residence hall mailroom, can assist you with questions regarding instructions for shipping.

Again, we wish you well with your final exams and projects and trust that the remainder of your semester will be productive and safe. We ask that you are mindful of the fact that other residents will be completing projects and studying for exams through May 24<sup>th</sup>. Please do not hesitate to visit the Residential Life Office if you have any questions or concerns.

# COLLEGE JOB SEARCH TIPS

There are many resources available to help college graduates (and students) with an entry level job search. From your college career services office, to alumni who have volunteered to help, to college job sites that provide job listings and job search tips specifically for students, you'll find a variety of resources available to help with a college job search.

## College Job Search: Personal Assistance

The first and most important college student job search tip, for both underclass students and graduating seniors, is to visit your college or university Career Services office. Most career offices provide college students with personal career counseling, job and internship listings, job search assistance, access to recruiting programs, and career networking assistance. In addition, the staff can help you create a resume, draft cover letters, and review your job search correspondence. Videotaped practice interviewing is also offered by many offices.

The FIT Internship Center is located in B202. You can also contact them via phone 212.217.3540 or email [internship\\_center@fitnyc.edu](mailto:internship_center@fitnyc.edu)

The FIT Career Services Center is located in B202. You can also contact them via phone 212.217.3000 or email [careers@fitnyc.edu](mailto:careers@fitnyc.edu)

## Online College Job Search

For college students about to enter the workforce, or seeking an internship or summer job, there are a variety of jobs sites dedicated to entry level jobs. Resources include job listings, resume posting, job search tips for college students, and a career advice.

Some of these entry level sites work only through college career offices. In those cases you will need a password from your career office to access the resources. Others are available for all job seekers interested in entry-level positions.

A great website to check out is:  
<http://www.mycareerx.com/>. Screenshot to right.



## Top College Grad Employers

There are employers that typically hire a large number of college graduates each year. CollegeGrad.com's Top Entry Level Employers (<http://www.collegegrad.com/press/top-entry-level-employers-for-2009-entry-level-job-opportunities-remain-stable.shtml>) provides a list of these employers. Use the list to target employers who will be hiring college candidates. In addition, check with your career office to see if they will be interviewing on campus or collection resumes from your school. Employers that are usually high on the list include Enterprise Rent-a-Car, PriceWaterHouseCoopers, IBM, Teach for America and the FBI.

## Consider an Internship

Not ready for a "real" job yet? A lot of college students aren't. So, keep in mind that your first job doesn't need to be a full-time or professional position. There are a variety of options available for college students including internships, short-term work experiences, or volunteering. For recent college graduates, as well as college students, an internship is a way to try a new job without making a permanent commitment.

## College Student Job Search Strategies

- Be flexible and focused. Broaden the number of fields you are considering.
- Apply for as many jobs and recruiting opportunities as possible.
- Network as extensively as possible.
- Do an internship this spring or the summer after graduation.

If you have waited until the last minute to start a job search, don't panic. The college hiring season is not as compressed as it was in the past and there will be plenty of opportunities to apply for.

<http://jobsearch.about.com/od/teenstudentgrad/a/collegejob.htm>

# HAVE YOU LOST SOMETHING???

Please Check with the Office of Security, located in D-442 or call 212-217-7777 to Report or Claim any Missing Property

## RECYCLE AND DONATE!

2 easy ways to help NYC & FIT stay green:

### 1) Donate!

As you are packing, we encourage you to set aside items that can be donated through Goodwill bins that will be located in the residence hall lobbies. There will be collection bins in the residence hall lobbies from May 19th--24th to benefit Goodwill of the Greater NY and Northern NJ areas.

### Goodwill accepts your donations of:

- Clothing and shoes
- Books, records, CDs, videos and DVDs
- Small Working Electronics - DVD players, Video game systems, Radios

- E-Waste: Computer & Peripherals
- Holiday Decorations
- Sports Trading Cards
- House wares — dishes, kitchen utensils, lamps, rugs and small appliances
- Bric-a-brac, Antiques and collectibles
- Clean domestics — curtains, linen, bedspreads, blankets, etc.
- Sporting goods and Bicycles

### 2) Recycle!

FIT has placed recycling stations on each floor of the residence halls. The stations are located in corridors or trash rooms and are labeled as follows:

- Blue Label--beverage cartons, bottles, cans, metal and foil
- Green Label--mixed paper

Non-recyclable waste should be placed in containers labeled "Trash Only" found on each floor, in the trash chutes, or in the large dumpster located on 27th Street between Nagler and Coed Halls. Your donation and recycling efforts are very important and taking the time to sort through your items can make a real difference!

# RESIDENCE HALL COUNCIL

UPCOMING RHCC PROGRAM:

## FIT'S FAR OUT FESTIVAL

Saturday, May 1st from 12-4pm on 27th St.  
Performances! Activities! Food! Prizes!

Come to the FINAL RHCC meeting of the year, our Town Hall. We will have representatives from Residential Life and Security to hear your concerns

9:45pm in the Cafeteria on  
Wednesday, May 5, 2010

## CHECK OUT OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

The Residential Life Department is hosting an Off Campus Housing Meeting to provide information and assistance to graduating students looking for off campus housing. Want to learn more about how to secure rentals and shares?

Please join us in the Coed Basement on  
**Monday, May 10th at 1:00pm**

Can't make the info session? Come speak with Clare Corrigan in Residential Life located in Alumni Lobby: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9AM-4:30PM or email [clare\\_corrigan@fitnyc.edu](mailto:clare_corrigan@fitnyc.edu).

## GET TO KNOW YOUR RES LIFE STAFF

**Name:** Joshua Wilkin  
**Position:** Resident Counselor-Coed Hall  
**Years at FIT:** 4 years  
**My favorite thing about working at FIT is...** Working with a diverse and creative student population  
**I love the website...** [www.msn.com](http://www.msn.com)  
**My favorite place in NYC is...** when I am running/rollerblading down the Chelsea Piers  
**The one food I could never live without is...** Hunan Chicken  
**My happy-life mantra...** is to reach for the stars and be true to yourself!

**Name:** Melissa Vidam  
**Position:** Resident Counselor-Kaufman Hall  
**Years at FIT:** 2 years  
**My favorite thing about working at FIT is...** people's reactions when I tell them I work at FIT and working/living in NYC.  
**I love the website...** [officeplayground.com](http://officeplayground.com). They have cool stuff for your office desk to keep you entertained at work!  
**My favorite place in NYC is...** Empire State Building. I am obsessed with the different color lights each night  
**The one food I could never live without is...** pasta and bread. If I could eat it everyday I would.  
**My happy-life mantra...** I have found that if you love life, life will love you back-Arthur Rubinstein