

# Western Oregon University Housing Contracts: YEAR vs. LIMITED TERM - *in black & white*

<http://www.wou.edu/housing/printed-documents/>

## ACADEMIC YEAR CONTRACT =

- Required for students right out of high school
- Optional for students more than one year out of high school
- Live on campus an entire academic year (Fall - Spring terms)
- EARLY TERMINATION? Requires a petition. If still attending Western, you must pay \$10/day cancellation fee for every day remaining in the entire Academic Year Contract. (Includes live-in waivers\* granted mid-year.)  
*Students granted a live-in waiver\* before they check in will not have a cancellation fee charged to their account.*

## LIMITED TERM CONTRACT =

- Optional for students more than one year out of high school
- PAY \$150 BEFORE MOVE IN
- Live on campus for one term ONLY. May NOT stay for breaks
- Move off campus at end of term - NO cancellation fee
- May renew for Winter term - pay another \$150
- May convert to Academic Year Contract - get \$50 refund
- Not needed if graduating or studying at WOU for one term only.

Housing contracts are written documents for both the student and University Housing to understand the rules about living and eating on campus. These contracts are legal documents that refer to living on campus anywhere - not in a specific room or apartment. They include important dates like when to move in or move out, extra costs for staying during breaks, what happens if housing property is damaged, etc.

***Students that have been out of high school for at least one full year are eligible to choose between the Academic Year Contract and the Limited Term Contract.***

The Academic Year Contract is for the academic school year (fall through spring terms). The Limited Term Contract (LTC) was created for those individuals who are eligible (see above) and want to live on campus for just one term while they learn about Monmouth, make friends and see if residential life is right for them. The LTC gives qualifying students the option to move off campus at the end of that term - without having to pay the \$10/day cancellation fee. The LTC does require however, a \$150 LTC fee to be paid at the time the LTC is requested. (Prior to moving into the halls).

The Limited Term Contract is about choice. For students who are eligible, the \$150 LTC fee is a small price to pay for the **CHOICE** to move off campus early vs. the cost of paying the \$10/day fee for the remainder of the Academic Year for breaking the Academic Year contract.

If you purchase a Limited Term Contract and find that you just really like living on campus and don't want to move out at the end of the term - no problem! We can convert your LTC into an Academic Year Contract and then refund \$50 of the LTC fee. You will then continue to live in your same room/apartment through the end of Spring Term.

LTCs are available for Fall and Winter Terms only. If you purchase a LTC and find that you are still unsure of whether or not you want to stay on campus through the entire academic year, you have the option to purchase a second LTC for Winter Term as well. **NO LTC FEE** would be needed or collected for Spring term as it is the last term of the year

If you purchase a LTC for Fall Term and find that you simply cannot adjust to living on campus and choose to leave the halls before the end of Fall term, you would still be charged the \$10/day cancellation fee - but only for the remaining days in FALL TERM. **(NOT THE ENTIRE ACADEMIC YEAR).**