

COVID-19: Housing Move-In Information

WELCOME TO AMDA'S RESIDENCE LIFE COMMUNITY!



WHAT WILL MY MOVE-IN PROCESS LOOK LIKE?

On move-in day, please report directly to your assigned residential hall at your scheduled appointment time (through SignUp Genius) to begin the process of moving into your room. As we've mentioned in earlier communications, please limit what you bring for move-in to what you can carry yourself, but no larger than what can fit into one moving cart (dimensions are 34 inches deep x 28 inches wide by 38 inches long).

Unfortunately due to safety precautions and in order to limit the possible spread of COVID-19 in our community, guests are not permitted inside the building to assist with move-in. We encourage any family or friends to help assist with placing items in bins as needed, but to remain outside of the building (i.e. staying with their cars, if applicable).

1 Arrive at your residence hall at your designated arrival time (selected through your SignUp Genius link).

2 Unload and move your vehicle (if applicable) to make way for other residents, borrowing an available moving bin if needed.

For students who are required to quarantine, this will be your time to say farewell to family and friends as you head inside for the remainder of move-in.

- 3 Upon entry into the building there will be a required temperature check. You will then receive your room key and Move-In Form, which will officially check you into the building.
- 4 Unload all items into your room and return the moving bin to the designated area in the lobby. If you are required to quarantine, please return immediately to your room to begin the 14-day quarantine.

Things to Note:



We recommend only bringing enough personal items to manage in one trip into the building



Please utilize the stairs whenever possible, as elevators will be delayed!



Wear a mask at all times.



Be prepared for all weather!

RECOMMENDED SHIPPING LIST

We strongly recommend that students ship items ahead of time and only bring with them what they can carry. Items we suggest shipping ahead of time:

- › Linens, sheets, pillows and towels
- › Non-perishable food
- › Winter jackets/clothes
- › Shoes
- › Toiletries
- › Books/School materials
- › Paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, etc.)
- › Trash bags
- › Yoga matt and small weights

Please ship items to the below address, and we will place these boxes into your assigned room.

Please ensure packages do not arrive earlier than October 1st:

<Name> and <Fall AMDA Student>
117 West 70th Street
New York, NY 10023

For students who are quarantining, we recommend bringing items that you would like access to during this time that you might find useful during the quarantine period such as:

- › Laptop
- › Books
- › E-readers
- › Music
- › Art supplies
- › Puzzles

In addition to the above, we suggest you bring:

- › Two weeks' of clean clothing (students will not be able to do laundry while in quarantine)
- › Medical and personal care items
- › Prescription and other medications
- › Non-perishable snacks
- › Hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes
- › Cloth face masks
- › Chargers for your devices

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

1. Quarantine Guidelines: Quarantining requires that you stay in your room/living quarters for a period of 14 days. Students in quarantine are prohibited from doing any of the following:

- › Leaving your room other than to use the communal showers and bathrooms on your floor (if you do not have a shared suite bathroom)
- › Visiting other students' rooms, meeting with others in common spaces, and visiting friends or family in the lobby
- › Using laundry facilities
- › Visiting other AMDA buildings
- › Shopping, going out for food, or taking a walk outside
- › Taking public transportation
- › You may only leave your room for emergencies, in which case you must contact NYERT@amda.edu immediately

2. Food delivery: Food delivery will be CONTACT-FREE.

Cooking with Corey staff will deliver student orders directly to their residence hall rooms. CWC staff members will knock on students' doors, leave food at the door, and back away from the room. CWC staff will wait to ensure the student opens the door and receives the food delivery prior to leaving. **Students must be present in their residence hall room during the entire delivery window. Students who are not**



present at the delivery time they selected will not be eligible for refund. Students will be able to easily order on the Cooking with Corey app (coming soon)!

- 3. Trash Collection:** Students will be required to keep all trash in bags, separated by paper, glass/plastic, and normal trash, which will be collected on specific “trash days” during the 14-day quarantine. Students will place trash bags outside their door at designated times, which will be collected by AMDA facilities. Students who are not in quarantine will place trash either in the trash rooms at the Stratford Arms, or in the trash bins in front of the Amsterdam Residence.
- 4. Community Building:** AMDA is creating daily programs for all our students, and specifically for those who are quarantining, including, but not limited to, fitness classes, meditation sessions, themed hangouts, shared reflective spaces, academically-focused offerings, skill-building activities, and other fun and useful options. AMDA Orientation Leaders and Resident Advisors will also convene smaller virtual groups of quarantining students to help build friendships and community.
- 5. Housing Placements:** In order to limit the possible spread of COVID-19 in our community, students will be placed in single rooms based on their cohorts (class groups). Due to this, the Office of Housing will not take specific housing requests at this time. Any student who needs a specific housing accommodation can reach out to NYAccessibility@amda.edu.
- 6. Health and Wellness:** Your health and wellness is first and foremost in our minds; that is especially true during quarantine. AMDA’s Mental Health Counselors, Katie and Anja, and Marissa, our Athletic Trainer, will be available to support your mental and physical health needs, as they arise. Please contact them at counselorNY@amda.edu or NYHealth@amda.edu should you need any assistance or support.
- 7. COVID-19 Updates:** We encourage students and their families to read [AMDA New York’s Return to Campus Playbook](#). For the most updated information regarding COVID-19, please always refer to the [Center for Disease Control](#) website as well as [New York State’s Coronavirus](#) update webpages

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND INFORMATION:

- › AMDA partners with NSSI, National Student Services Inc., to offer personal property insurance for our students. [Feel free to follow THIS link for more information!](#)
- › Our two AMDA Student Residential buildings are historic buildings converted from residential hotels. New York City housing regulations require that when a residence building undergoes a change in ownership and tenancy, the original residents may choose to stay in their housing units. Therefore, in each of the AMDA Residential Halls, there are a small number of original tenants living in their original apartments.
- › AMDA provides free Wi-Fi throughout the residence halls to allow student access to their AMDA email and student portal.