

# SOMETIMES LIVING WITH ROOMMATES CAN BE CHALLENGING. HERE ARE THE STEPS TO TAKE WHEN CONFLICT ARISES:



## TALK WITH YOUR ROOMMATE(S)

If you are having issues with your roommate(s), set up a time to share these concerns/issues **in person**. Your roommate will not know what's wrong unless you communicate. The sooner you talk, the easier it will be!

#### Tips to Approaching a Roommate:

- Use the Roommate Agreement as a guide to your conversation
- Use "I" statements
- Use active listening to hear all sides
- Be open and honest about how you are feeling
- Outline possible resolutions
- Be open to compromise



### GET YOUR RA INVOLVED

If issues/conflicts persist, talk to your RA! They will schedule a time to meet with all those involved to engage in a facilitated conversation.

Your RA will bring a copy of your roommate agreement to guide this conversation. Remember, you can always make changes

The goal of the mediated conversation is to identify compromises, which the RA will follow up on any progress regarding the issue.



### TALK WITH THE PRO STAFF

If you talked to your roommate(s) and RA but are still having issues, a Residence Life and Housing staff member will reach out for next steps.

They will be able to assess the situation and come up with a plan of action for the issue/concern.

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