



DORM LIFE at CQP



OUR DORM: GRISSOM HALL

Grissom has three clusters of four suites each. Each suite has four double-occupancy bedrooms, a living room, and a shared bathroom w/ two sinks, two toilets and at least 1 shower. Everyone has a roommate (assigned by Charlie). Suite occupancy is usually four to six participants. Grissom is not air-conditioned, but everyone will have one desk fan, courtesy of ResLife.

If you have environmental issues or health conditions (e.g. asthma, diabetes, etc.), please contact Nancy (S1 Dean) to discuss what kind of arrangements can be made for your comfort.

UPON ARRIVAL

You will get a room key, a magnetic campus ID card for outside door access & meals (see “FRED card”), your Internet ID/password (for both WiFi access & Library computer lab use), and your sheets/towels/pillow/blanket. We can’t use the elevator but it’s only one flight up to your room.

FRED CARDS

The “FRED” card allows access to Grissom Hall, which is locked 24/7; and it is your meal card. Cafeteria staff will swipe your card at every meal, and they will not let you in without it. If you leave it at the dorm, you’ll have to go get it (although, you’ll be locked out, so...?). You are allowed 3 meals a day, except Sunday which is 2 meals: brunch & dinner.

FRED cards can be used to pay at campus vending machines and at Starbucks (in the University Commons, below the cafeteria). You must “load money” onto your card by using a FRED card machine: swipe your card, feed cash into machine and you have “credit”. There’s one in the lobby of the University Commons (as well as an M&T Bank ATM).

PARTICIPANTS’ CARS

If you are bringing a car to campus, please let the Deans know, as we may need your help in driving students to local parks for evening fun or to runouts. We will buy some gas for you ☺. Parking on campus is free; there are two designated lots. See the *Travel Memo for Drivers* for details.

KITCHEN

Grissom Hall has a nice full-size kitchen, w/ fridge, microwave and stove. It’s fine to use it for making snacks and storing food; it is **not** fine to use it for making meals (see “Dining Hall” in *Campus Life at CQP*). You can check out utensils & pans from the Dorm Office (from a Dean or assistant, not from the Resident Director), but *please* remember: You Use The Kitchen, You Clean Up The Kitchen. If messes are constantly left behind in the kitchen (dirty dishes, trash lying around), we will ask the Resident Director to cut off the power to the appliances.

Also, the Kitchen is adjacent to the Resident Director’s apartment. Please remember that this is not just a dorm: it is the R.D.’s HOME. It’s OK to make late-night snacks; it’s not OK to hang out in the kitchen after 10pm making noise. Please party elsewhere! Again, if students can’t comply, we will allow the R.D. to cut off power.

LINENS/LAUNDRY

You will be provided w/ two flat sheets (no fitted), a pillowcase, two towels, a pillow, and a blanket by Campus Services. They are perfectly adequate, but if you are fussy about that sort of thing, bring your own or plan on buying something nicer at Walmart. [...cont’d]

Fredonia will launder their sheets & towels once a week, delivering clean sets to the lobby on Fridays. You can pick up a fresh set when you drop off your dirty ones, no later than Sunday night.

There is a laundry room in the basement w/ 6 washers & 6 dryers, and they’re free! Talk w/ your suitemates about buying a bottle of HE detergent after you arrive, for sharing.

MAIL

Quartet Program – Grissom Hall
[YOUR NAME]
280 Central Ave.
University Commons
Fredonia, NY 14063

Include your cell # if that's part of the label

- ◆ This applies to U.S. mail, UPS, and FedEx.
- ◆ Packages must ARRIVE between June 1 and July 20.
- ◆ NO SATURDAY DELIVERIES!
- ◆ All mail & packages go to the campus mailroom. The Grissom resident director will pick up mail on weekdays and deliver to our dorm by late afternoon.
- ◆ The most critical parts of the address are “Quartet Program”, your name & “Univ. Commons”.

INTERNET & COMPUTER INFO *See “Campus Life at CQP”*

WARDROBE ADVICE

Everyday The weather varies wildly from chilly to hot, & can be rainy. Make sure you've got some kind of sweater/hoodie/jacket, and an umbrella or rain poncho.

Concerts *See “Concert Life at CQP”*

GAMES/MOVIES/TV ROOM

There is a nice lounge with lots of tables/chairs and couches, a large flat-screen TV, a foosball table, and a pool table, plus a ping-pong table in a side room. If you bring an HDMI cable, you can stream from your laptop. There are board games, DVDs, and game equipment in the dorm office that can be checked out by leaving your FRED card.

“WALMART RUNS”

We are happy to take small groups of 3 - 4 students to the grocery store (Topps Market) or local Walmart for various necessities. The best time is usually after evening practice/rehearsals, around 10pm, but around 6:30-7 (right after dinner) often works too. Ask a Dean at mealtime, or text them, to arrange.

There is also a RiteAid store just a short walk from campus, about 15-20 minutes, as well as a JCPenney and a Big Lots. Most other stores are driving distance.

Downtown Fredonia is an easy 15-minute walk. There is a bank, post office, hair salons, a convenience store, and a few cafes.

T-SHIRTS

We will take orders for CQP t-shirts, sweatshirts, and hoodies during the first week of each 3-week session. A Google form signup will be available until Thursday of those weeks, and clothing will be delivered during the last week of that session. You can pay cash or check (to Quartet Program); cost is usually around \$15 for tshirts, \$25 for sweatshirts, and \$30-45 for hoodies.

NIAGARA FALLS TRIPS

Sundays are “days off” (no lessons scheduled, and we try not to schedule coachings). Every year we make at least one trip to Niagara Falls State Park on a Sunday, leaving at 10am and returning by 6pm for dinner. This is Charlie's treat: he pays for a bus so there's no transportation cost for students. The Park has a number of attractions which can be paid for separately or in a one-day pass; typical expense for the day (for park attractions & food) is around \$40-45. However, there are also lots of trails and sightseeing spots at no cost.

If you're **over 18** and have a passport, you can also visit Canada by walking across the Rainbow Bridge. If you're **under 18**, we request you stay on the U.S. side, due to Customs & Immigration requirements for minors—it's just too complicated. (Sorry!)

GOING OFF-CAMPUS *See “Campus Life at CQP”*