

WESLEYAN RENTAL HOUSING PROGRAM UPDATED October 19, 2015

Purpose of Program

A sustainable campus is important to Wesleyan and to the environment. Student and faculty interaction is valuable and increasing the number of faculty and staff who reside in the Wesleyan neighborhood and walk to work will promote sustainability and will improve the campus experience for all. Wesleyan owns and maintains a limited amount of rental housing units near the campus for the purpose of providing transitional living space for full-time faculty, professional librarians, and staff.

Eligibility Guidelines for Wesleyan Rental Housing

Priority access to rental housing, as available, is given to newly appointed faculty, then to professional librarians, or staff members, provided their residence at the time of their initial appointment is 25 miles or more from campus. If rental housing vacancies exist after newly appointed faculty, professional librarians and staff have been placed, these vacancies may be offered to existing full-time faculty, professional librarians and staff.

Maximum Permitted Period of Rental from the University

- Tenure-track faculty members receiving tenure will be expected to obtain non-university housing within three years following receipt of tenure. Tenured faculty will be expected to obtain non- university housing within three years of their original rental date.
- All others will be expected to obtain non-university housing within two years of their original rental date.
- Tenants who are no longer employed by the University as full-time faculty, professional librarian or staff will be expected to vacate the rental unit within 30 days.

Assignment of Personnel to Available Rental Housing

- The university's rental agent, in consultation as required with the vice president for academic affairs and provost and/or the vice president for finance and administration, assigns rental units to tenants on the basis of availability and type of housing requested by perspective tenant.
- Houses and apartments of three or more bedrooms are only available to multiple occupants.

Rental Fees

- Rental fees are comparable to fees typically charged for similar, non-university rental properties available in Middletown, Connecticut. Market comparability is assessed from time-to-time by the university.
- Rental fees are paid one month in advance through payroll deduction.

Lease Terms:

- Leases are typically one year in length, renewable each July 1 and are subject to lease modifications as required. Due notice is given before any lease is modified.
- Reassignment of an individual or a family to other rental housing at the request of the university will be made, in all possible cases, with three month's notice.
- Tenants and prospective tenants will be provided maintenance standards and a clear statement of responsibilities of the university and those of the tenant.