

College of Agriculture Food and Rural Enterprise (CAFRE)

ACCOMMODATION ALLOCATION POLICY 2020/21

The College has 350 bedrooms across the three campus sites which are available to students. The accommodation varies from single and double rooms in halls, to en-suite single rooms and rooms within self-catering houses. Our accommodation is safe, of a high standard and priced competitively. While we will endeavour to allocate students to their preferred room type it is not always possible. It is therefore to be expected that there will be occasions when demand for our accommodation will outstrip supply. All **new students** are encouraged to apply for accommodation as soon as possible.

Having a residential place for one academic year does not guarantee a place in subsequent years and an application has to be made each year. **Returning students** are encouraged to apply as soon as possible once the application process goes 'live' on 1st June. Applications will be assessed annually using the room allocation criteria detailed below.

The Priority order for room allocation:-

1. Students enrolling on full-time education courses at CAFRE who are under 18 years of age at the 1st September before the commencement date of their course are allocated first.
2. Students enrolling on full time education courses at CAFRE who are 18 years of age and over at the 1st September, and first year on campus are allocated second. If there is over-subscription for rooms at this stage priority will be based on the following:-
 - a. Greenmount and Loughry Campuses: Distance from the campus to the student's registered home address with those furthest away getting priority.
 - b. Enniskillen Campus: Age with the youngest getting priority.
3. Any student enrolling on full-time education courses at CAFRE who is under 18 years of age at the 1st September before the commencement date of their course and has not applied before the last working day in August is allocated next. If there is over-subscription allocation is based on a first come basis.
4. Any student enrolling on full-time education courses at CAFRE who is over 18 years of age at the 1st September before the commencement date of their course and has not applied before the last working day in August is then allocated.
5. Students enrolling on full-time education courses at CAFRE who are 18 years of age and over at the 1st September, who have previously stayed in accommodation at the respective campus are allocated any surplus rooms. If there is over-subscription for rooms at this stage priority will be based on the following:-

- a. Greenmount and Loughry Campuses: Distance from the campus to the student's registered home address with those furthest away getting priority.
 - b. Enniskillen Campus: Age, with the youngest getting priority.
6. Students enrolling on part-time or day release courses at CAFRE will be offered any remaining rooms still available.
7. In any case where special circumstances are applicable the college will consider these circumstances on a case by case basis and reserves the right to allocate or withhold accommodation.