# MYOHIOROOM

Ohio University has partnered with the MyCollegeRoomie app to offer a dynamic roommate finding tool for incoming OHIO students, called MyOHIORoomie. MyOHIORoomie allows incoming first year students to customize a profile, answer a compatibility questionnaire, and connect with other first year OHIO students. The platform is designed to help find roommates and friends prior to arriving on campus. This document contains a timeline, helpful hints, and step-by-step instructions on how to successfully search for and match with a roommate.

## HOW TO FIND A ROOMMATE

Log on to OHIO.MYCOLLEGEROOMIE.APP

Complete

**PROFILE & QUESTIONNAIRE** 

- **Review POSSIBLE MATCHES & CONNECT** WITH OHIO STUDENTS
- Match with a preferred roommate OHIO.EDU/MYHOUSING After May 1

Continue to CONNECT WITH OTHER BOBCATS After Room Selection

# **HELPFUL HINTS**

- Bookmark ohio.mycollegeroomie.com
- You must complete a profile on MyOHIORoomie to be searchable
- A tablet or computer is recommended when completing the questionnaire
- Before you select a room in your Housing Self-Service, make sure you are matched with a requested roommate
- There is no limit on how many friends you can connect with on MyOHIORoomie, but you can only match with up to three roommates on **Housing Self-Service**



# STARTING IN DECEMBER

Log on to ohio.mycollegeroomie.app. Complete your questionnaire and search for friends and a roommate.

## MAY1-20

Finalize all roommate matches on your Housing Self-Service before you select a room.

# MAY 20 - 23

Room selection takes place on your Housing Self-Service page (ohio.edu/myhousing). Before you make a room selection, make sure you are correctly matched with any preferred roommate(s).

MyOHIORoomie will be unavailable during this time to search for other roommate options.

## AFTER ROOM SELECTION

Continue to search for friends in your hall and connect with other Bobcats at ohio.mycollegeroomie.app

## **ALREADY HAVE A ROOMMATE?**

Match on Housing Self-Service beginning May 1 and prior to selecting a room. Log on to MyOHIORoomie at any time to connect with other Bobcats.





If you have any questions or concerns, email Housing and Residence Life at housing@ohio.edu, or text/call 740.593.4090

Housing Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8 a.m.- 5 p.m



1 The first time you log on, you will be asked to complete the preliminary profile questions and upload a photo.

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#### **COMPLETE YOUR PROFILE**

Under 'Update Profile', you can change your photo, create a short bio, add social media handles, and answer profile questions. This information is made available to other students who view your profile.

**2** To edit your profile, go to 'My Profile' and 'Update Profile.'

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The MyOHIORoomie questionnaire contains a variety of topics, all designed to help determine your lifestyle choices and assist with finding the qualities you are looking for in a roommate. This questionnaire is the basis for all match calculations on MyOHIORoomie.

Types of questions:

Lifestyle: Six questions about studying and sleeping habits

Social: Seven questions about extracurricular options and social engagement

Room: Seven questions about how you might function within your room over the academic year

Personality: Four questions about personal preferences

Special Programs/Circumstances: Three questions about special program affiliations on campus

If you have not completed a questionnaire, the system will prompt you to do so. Select 'Questionnaire' under your 'My Profile' tab and MyOHIORoomie will take you directly to the questionnaire.



For each question, rate the characteristics for both yourself (top scale) and your preferred roommate (bottom scale). To complete the questionnaire, follow the steps below for each question:





#### **RATE YOURSELF**

**4** Use the top scale to rate yourself.

In the example below, if you go to bed around 1 a.m., you would set the top button somewhere near the far right. If you go to bed around 10 p.m., you would set the button to the far left.

When do you normally go	to bed?
Lights out at 10!	Usually late, after 1 AM
Comfort Zone	I have no preference
Lights out at 10!	Usually late, after 1 AM

#### RATE YOUR ROOMMATE PREFERENCE

**5** Use the bottom scale to rate what you are looking for in a roommate.

For example, if you are looking for a roommate who will go to bed somewhere around 10 p.m. to 12 a.m., you would set the scale somewhere near the far right.

When do you normally go	to bed?
Lights out at 10!	Usually late, after 1 AM
Comfort Zone	I have no preference
Lights out at 10!	Usually late, after 1 AM

If you do not have a preference for what time your roommate will go to bed, you would select the 'I have no preference' option. This action expands your match results.

Lights out at 10!	Usually late, after 1 AM
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Comfort Zone	I have no preference

6 When you have finished the questionnaire, select 'SAVE.'

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Room	$\checkmark$
Special Programs/Circumstances	~

This message will display: 'The changes to your questionnaire have been saved'. The next step will be to explore matches.



## **EXPLORE MATCHES AND CONNECT WITH STUDENTS**

1 Review your calculated matches under 'Matches'. While MyOHIORoomie pulls the highest matches to the top, you will be able to view all students who have completed a profile by scrolling through the 'Matches' page.



If you have just completed the questionnaire, you will see a message regarding a delay while MyOHIORoomie calculates your matches. This process may take up to ten minutes. In the meantime, you can edit your profile or review notices in the 'Announcements' tab.

#### **ADD FRIENDS**

2 To confirm friends, log on to MyOHIORoomie and accept the request. Friend requests will also generate an email to the student's OHIO email account.

When the student has confirmed your friend request, their information will then appear under the 'Friends' section next to 'Matches.'

New students added to the platform will appear under the 'New' section next to 'Matches' sorted by match compatability.

Profiles you have visted recently will appear under the 'Recently Viewed' section next to 'New."





## MATCH WITH YOUR ROOMMATE AT OHIO.EDU/MYHOUSING

Starting May 1, and once you have decided on your roommate, visit your Housing Self-Service to 'match' with your roommate. You can request up to three roommates. All roommates need to request each other to create a 'matched' group.

1 You can finalize roommate selections at ohio.edu/myhousing beginning May 1.

2 Choose 'Room and Roommate Selection' from the drop down menu and select 'Roomate/Suitemate.'

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	I am interested in the Women's Leadership Living Opportunity in Voigt Hall, a hall with only female students	○ Yes ○ No ○ (no preference)
	I am interested in living in the Substance Free Living Opportunity in Bush Hall	○ Yes ○ No ○ (no preference)
	I am an Honors or Scholar student, and am looking to reside in Washington Hall	○ Yes ○ No ○ (no preference)
	I am interested in a roommate with the following	I am interested in a roommate with the following

- **5** Your roommate request will be saved. All roommate requests must be accepted before the match is confirmed.
- **6** Confirm that the roommate group is fully matched prior to selecting a room.

For a tutorial on roommate matching, please watch this video, available on the OHIO Housing and Residence Life Youtube channel!



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mUf4nIeu-h0



### CONTINUE TO CONNECT WITH OTHER BOBCATS AFTER ROOM SELECTION

After the room selection process is over, we encourage you to continue to connect with your fellow Bobcats! You will not be able to select a roommate, but you will be able to search for students who will also be living in your hall or have similar interests.

#### A Final Note:

A successful roommate relationship is all about personal fit. Sometimes opposites attract, and sometimes a very specific characteristic, such as what time a roommate goes to bed, will be the core of a great roommate relationship. What is most important is that you are able to work with each other to build a cohesive and quality living environment.

It's okay if you don't find somebody on this system. That happens! If you were not successful with finding a roommate, you can still select a room, and your designated roommate will be the other student who also selects into that room.

The college transition is a big step. You may experience changes in your preferences, personality, and lifestyle choices, and your roommate's preferences might change as well. You will complete a roommate agreement after arriving to campus to help you navigate those changes. You can revisit and update this agreement throughout the year. Our in-hall staff will be ready to assist you with any concerns.

Housing and Residence Life is committed to providing you with the best service possible. You can text or call us at 740.593.4090 or email housing@ohio.edu.

We can't wait to see you on campus!



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