Couples and Family Housing Policy

Marriage Documentation

A. An eligible applicant who presents a valid marriage certificate may request couples/family housing.
B. Engagement to be married does not qualify applicants for couples housing, unless the applicant meets couples housing criteria through domestic partnership.

Domestic Partnership Documentation

Domestic partners are two individuals who live together with an exclusive, mutual commitment like marriage, in which the partners agree to be responsible for each other’s welfare and obligations.

To apply for NYU Winthrop couples housing, domestic partners must fulfill both of the following requirements:

A. Submit a Domestic Partnership Agreement at the time of application or within four weeks of arrival in New York
B. Be jointly responsible for each other’s common welfare, intend to maintain a common residence indefinitely, and share financial obligations, as documented by a Domestic Partnership Agreement PLUS two (2) of the following:
   1. A current or past joint mortgage or lease
   2. Ownership of an actively-used joint bank account or joint credit account for at least three months
   3. Joint ownership of a home or automobile
   4. Designation of domestic partner as primary beneficiary in a will or trust document
   5. Assignment of durable property or health care power of attorney to domestic partner
   6. Designation of domestic partner as beneficiary for life insurance or retirement benefits
   7. Other proof of prior domestic partnership for a period of at least six months (utility bills showing both names at the same address, a letter from an officiant for an upcoming wedding, etc.

Children and Qualifying Dependents

For children, the eligible housing applicant must provide a valid birth certificate, final adoption papers, or passport indicating the parentage of the child.

Siblings, parents, friends, etc. are not eligible for family housing consideration unless they are Qualifying Dependents. A Qualifying Dependent is a person who has been declared a dependent in the applicant’s US tax return for the tax year prior to the application being submitted. Documentation concerning Qualifying Dependents should be submitted via email to the NYU Winthrop Housing Office.

If you have questions, please email them to NYUWinthrophousing@nyulangone.org