special notes about housing, dining services, and accommodation for students with medical conditions and disabilities

1. first- and second-year students are required to live on campus unless they are married or are at least twenty-one years of age. Requests for permission to live off campus for either of these reasons must be submitted in writing to first-year.affairs@yale.edu (freshman.affairs@yale.edu) by Monday, May 6. Eli Whitney students are not eligible to live in the residential colleges.

2. Yale College understands that some students may wish to live in the residential college that an immediate family member lived/lives in. Incoming students may request a specific residential college if and only if a parent/guardian, sibling or grandparent lived/lives in that residential college as a Yale undergraduate. If you have a sibling who will be enrolled in Yale College during this upcoming school year, you may opt into or opt out of their residential college. Siblings (same-year or different-year) may individually request to either be assigned to the same college or randomly placed. Please note that we will not house siblings (same-year or different-year) in the same suite.

3. A student who requests special consideration in rooming because of a disability must complete the online registration form for the Resource Office on Disabilities. Please complete all fields and include enough information so that the ROD can fully understand the situation in order to make appropriate accommodations. Supporting medical documentation must be uploaded and attached to this registration form. Guidelines for documentation requirements can be found on our website. A timely response is especially important because once a rooming assignment has been made it will not be possible to change it. Although students will learn their college assignments on Wednesday, June 26, most assignments will be made during the last week of May. Please note: many physicians have
very busy practices. It is important that you contact your doctor well in advance of the Monday, May 6 deadline so that you have appropriate documentation in hand.

4. Students with food allergies must notify the University so that plans can be made for necessary dietary considerations in dining halls. Please complete the ROD online registration form to begin the process of notifying the appropriate parties. You will have the ability to upload supporting documentation outlining your needs on this form.

Academic Advising Information

Academic advising at Yale is a collaborative effort shared by the residential colleges, academic departments, and offices connected to the Yale College Dean’s Office. Residential college deans in each of the fourteen colleges provide general academic advice about matters such as selecting courses, choosing a major, and satisfying requirements for promotion and graduation. A first-year counselor and a college adviser affiliated with your residential college will assist with your transition to Yale and help you identify other relevant resources on campus. Your first-year counselor is a senior in your residential college who will live near you in your entryway. Your college adviser is a faculty or staff member and a fellow of your residential college who has volunteered to advise you about your academic and other interests, adjustment to Yale, and your goals for your Yale College education.

In addition, designated faculty in each of the academic departments and programs provide specific advice concerning placement in courses and requirements for the major. You will have an opportunity to meet many of them at the Academic Fair, held the day before fall-term classes begin. Advisers in offices allied with the Yale College Dean’s Office offer guidance about a wide range of interests, including summer opportunities, study abroad, premedical planning, fellowships, and post-graduation plans. You can also learn more about first-year advising at Yale through the “Your Adviser and Advising” section of the Advising Resources Website.

It is important to understand that you have a critical role to play in your advising relationships. Your advisers are conversation partners, not information dispensers, and you should prepare to participate in these conversations by first reflecting on your interests and goals. You can begin that conversation by thoughtfully answering the questions that relate to your academic and extra-curricular interests on Housing and Advising Form below.

• Complete the Housing and Advising Form
• You will need to retrieve and activate your Yale NetID before you access the Housing and Advising Form.