Joe E. Berry, Jr. Residential Hall  
(636 Students, Co-ed by Floor/Tier 2 Double Occupancy Fee)

Berry Residence Hall is a six story building at the corner of Calhoun and St. Philip Streets. Constructed in 1988 and renovated in 2014, Berry Hall is the housing for the Honors College (2\textsuperscript{nd} and 3\textsuperscript{rd} floor by invitation only) and Living and Learning Communities (4\textsuperscript{th}, 5\textsuperscript{th} and 6\textsuperscript{th} floors for first year students with themes on each floor. The Living-Learning Community themes will be the basis for academic and social programming throughout the semester. Students explore specific interests while being supported by peers, faculty, and residential staff.

Berry Hall features numerous community spaces including the 1\textsuperscript{st} floor Activity Center with activity rooms, offices and a central lounge. Laundry rooms are located on each floor. Each upper floor (levels 2-6) contains north and south residential villages connected by a central “Town Center”, with a group kitchen TV lounge, laundry facility and study room. To ensure resident safety, this building contains a multi-zone fire alarm system, fire sprinkler system, digital security camera system and 24-hour information/security desk.

Berry Hall is arranged with all suites opening to inside corridors. Each suite consists of 2-3 bedrooms, 1-2 bathrooms and 1 living room with kitchenette. All suites are shared by 4-6 students with bright white walls and ceilings, charcoal grey door trim and baseboards, natural oak doors, and full-spectrum “daylight quality” lighting. Bedroom lighting is limited only to the closet area. Desk, floor or table lamps are encouraged to brighten up the sleeping areas of the bedroom, but halogen lamps are not allowed. Each bedroom contains:

- White floor tile, chosen over carpeting for easy maintenance and sensitivity to our students with allergies. Students may bring their own area rugs for a personal touch. Typically, there are 4’ of aisle space between the beds. A standard 3’ x 5’ rug easily fits and a 5’ x 8’ rug fits when the edges are under the beds.

- Two metal frame beds, 36” wide x 80” long with 12 1/4” clearance underneath. Reinforced plastic risers are the only permitted method to increase the clearance (by about 6 inches). Risers can usually be found at Bed Bath & Beyond, Linens-n-Things and similar stores. These beds accept only “twin-long” sheets.
• Two wardrobe cabinets with cherry finish, 36" wide x 24" deep x 72" high. The bottom portion of the unit contains 2 drawers (36" wide x 24" deep). Wardrobe cabinets are equipped with a “hasp” that allows students to lock the wardrobes (but not drawers) with their own padlock.

• Two desks with cherry finish, 36" wide x 27" deep x 30" high. All desks have a retractable keyboard and mouse surface with rear storage. Knees pace is wide open to allow for vertical computer towers. There is no shelving above the desk, but you are allowed to provide your own lightweight shelving (think plastic & stackable) as long as it is supported solely by the desk and not attached to the wall. There are four electrical outlets above each desk, as well as telephone and wired internet outlets. However, these are the only outlets in the room, so extension cords (Residence Life approved only with three prong connections) are required in many cases.

• Two desk chairs, purple upholstered seat and back with cherry wood frame

• One shared TV Cube, 24" wide x 24" deep x 30" high, in cherry finish. This unit will hold a TV on top and VCR or DVD player on a middle fixed shelf with the remaining space below suitable for a small stereo, CD's, tapes, etc. Please note that an extension cord (3-pronged with surge protector) is required for the TV cube, along with a coax cable to connect your TV to the provided (basic) cable TV outlet.

• One window, variable in size according to floor. 1st floor windows are 66 1/2" wide x 65" high. 2nd, 3rd and 4th floor windows are 26 1/2" wide x 65" high. 5th and 6th floor windows are 26 1/2" wide x 54" high. All windows are covered by 2" plantation blinds. We do not allow wall or frame fastened curtain rods, but students may drape fabric from the valance of the blinds.

**Common Areas:** Each suite has a common area with cafe table and barstools, one lounge chair, one sofa (in 3 bedroom suites) or loveseat (in 2 bedroom suites), one end table and one TV cube, all in a cherry wood finish. Upholsteries contain multiple colors in their patterns to coordinate with almost anyone's color preferences. Floor tile is white with colorful multi-color strips (orange, purple, turquoise, olive and blue). Each common area has cabinetry with a small microwave and compact refrigerator (about 3.6 cubic feet of interior capacity).

The compact refrigerators provided by Residence Life will be shared by 4-6 people, so students may bring an additional unit for their room, provided they do not exceed 4.0 cubic feet of interior capacity and plug into standard 3 prong 120 volt outlets. Only one supplemental refrigerator is allowed per bedroom, so coordination with bedroom mates is required. Extra microwaves brought by students are not allowed. These kitchenettes are not equipped with sinks or stoves and are designed for light meals. Larger group kitchens are located on each floor equipped with sinks, microwaves, cooktops, ovens and refrigerators for larger meals.
**Bathrooms:** Suites have 2-3 bathrooms used by 2-4 people, but are compartmentalized with separate small rooms for the toilet, tub/shower and a 6’ wide vanity area with two sinks. The vanity is the only space available for toiletries storage with two 24” wide x 24” deep cabinets below the sinks and four 24” wide x 24” deep drawers in the center.

We encourage students to keep their more valued belongings with them in their bedrooms. For added storage space, some students have purchased over-toilet cabinets that are floor supported via poles (wall attachment isn't allowed).

Each tub/shower room has two 24” wide towel bars, as well as the tub/shower rod that is 60” wide. New white vinyl shower curtains are placed in the bathrooms each year. Students can dress up the space by adding a decorative curtain to the front if desired.

**Typical Bedroom Dimensions:** Room dimensions vary according to specific location, but 90% of the rooms are L-shaped with the main area (containing the beds and desks) measuring about 10’ x 10’ and the long strip (containing the wardrobe cabinets, TV cube and open storage area) is about 5’ x 10’. Some rooms are slightly larger.