

Supports and Services for Living on Campus: **BEAR POWER**



Living

Where do I live?

- Students in the Bear POWER program live on campus at Missouri State University for the duration of the program (i.e., 2.5 semesters). Students do not take classes or live on campus during the summer.
- All students in the Bear POWER program start by living in Hutchens House ([information here](#)).
 - Suite-style rooms (e.g., two rooms with a shared living space) that house up to four students per suite.
- Laundry is free (but bring your own soap!).

Who do I live with?

- Students complete an interest survey and are assigned rooms based on certain interests. For example, two students may be paired together because they both like to stay up late. Students can also submit a roommate request.
- Roommates may or may not also be enrolled in the Bear POWER program.

Who supports students living on campus?

- Resident Advisors (RAs) are trained on neurodivergent awareness.
- Peer mentors, called “Ambassadors,” provide individualized supports.
- Counseling supports offered to all Missouri State students, including students enrolled in the Bear POWER program.

Safety

How do I stay safe?

- Bear POWER students have access to all safety services and resources offered at Missouri State, including “Safe Walk” services and Blue Light telephones.



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Transportation

How do I get around campus?

- The Bear Line shuttle busses are free.
 - Buses are available Monday through Sunday when university offices are open.
- There are bike paths and bike racks on campus.
- Students with cars/license can drive to campus.
- eScooters called Bird Scooters (fee through app).
- Check Transportation Services for more information.

Dining

Where do I eat?

- Missouri State offers campus dining and chain restaurants (see Dine on Campus website for more information).
- The university accommodates dietary restrictions and choices.
- Campus dining runs a Teaching Kitchen where students can learn recipes that can be made in residence hall kitchens.

How do I pay for my food?

- Students have the option to choose a meal plan.
- Dining Dollars are loaded onto a student's Bear Pass Card and can be used to purchase meals at all campus dining locations.
- Chain restaurants take Bear Bucks, cash, or card.

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