

# Supports and Services for Living on Campus: **PAWS**



## Living

### *Where do I live?*

- Students in the PAWS program are required to live on campus at the University of Missouri (UM) for the duration of the 2-year program.
- PAWS students live in dorms located in the Values Complex which has:
  - Suite-style rooms (i.e., 2 rooms connected by a shared living space and bathroom) that house up to four students in a room.

### *Who do I live with?*

- Depending on the number and gender of PAWS students enrolled in a cohort, PAWS students may:
  - Live alone
  - Live with one other roommate
  - Live with several roommates
- Roommates may or may not be enrolled in the PAWS program.

### *Who supports students living on campus?*

- Supports are provided by PAWS program staff and are individualized to support student-specific needs.
- PAWS students will continue to have access to existing county and/or vocational rehabilitation (VR) supports related to independent living.

## Safety

### *How do I stay safe?*

- PAWS students have access to all public/university safety resources including the Columbia PD and Mizzou Campus PD.
- PAWS students also take a Relationships Class that focuses on topics related to harm reduction, boundary setting, and relationship building with peers and coworkers.

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## Transportation

### *How do I get around campus?*

- UM has a university shuttle service called the Tiger Line Shuttle.
  - The shuttle runs seven days a week while classes are in session.
  - Routes vary throughout the academic year and during breaks.
- PAWS students can also use the STRIPES program which is a student-run, safe ride program that operates Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays when classes are in session.
- Students can also walk, roll, drive, or use Uber/Taxis to get around campus.

## Dining

### *Where do I eat?*

- There are a number of dining options around campus (see Campus Dining Services for more information).
- Students in the PAWS program conveniently live next to a new dining hall on campus.

### *How do I pay for my food?*

- Students can use their Mizzou ID to purchase food at dining halls if they use a dining plan (e.g., Tiger Cash or Gold Cash).
- All Campus Dining Services (CDS) locations are cashless; CDS also accepts Apple Pay, Google Pay, and credit/debit cards.

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