

# Everything you ever wanted to know about *Climate Control* but were afraid to ask Residence Life ...

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As we look forward to the seasons changing, we begin to prepare to turn off air conditioning and turn on heat in University residence halls. This flyer provides information about how we make the changes in all halls **except** Quaker Square and Townhouses. Temperature control in these halls is individually controlled by students in their rooms.

This time of year, temperatures fluctuate from highs in the 70's to lows in the 40's daily. Most buildings on campus are cooled by chilled water and heated by hot water in central plants on campus. This water is then circulated to fan coil units within buildings. This method is very efficient in heating/cooling our residence halls. However, buildings with this technology can only accommodate one type of water (heated or chilled) at a time. And it takes several days to convert from one type of water to the other. Residence Life and Housing cannot convert until the University makes its conversion ... after October 15<sup>th</sup> in the Fall and after April 15<sup>th</sup> in the Spring.

Given our climate and heating/cooling technology, we have taken great care to consider how best to change from air conditioning to heat in the Fall and the reverse in the Spring ...

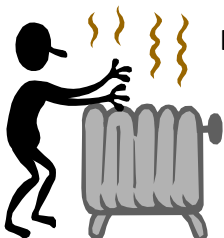
## Fall Semester Policy



**Air Conditioning** is operating in all halls when the semester begins.

**Heat** is turned on in all halls when we experience three days/nights with cold temperatures – daytime temperatures below 60°; nighttime temperatures below 40°.

## Spring Semester Policy



**Heat** is operating in all halls when the semester begins.

**Air Conditioning** is turned on in all halls when we experience three days/nights of warm weather – daytime temperatures over 75°; nighttime temperatures over 55° (after April 15 as this is when the University conve.