



## **AUXILIARY SERVICES**

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As a part of the Office of Business and Finance, the Auxiliary Services Division is responsible for providing support services to students, faculty, and staff members of the University. The Division includes the Bookstore, Dining Services, 1 Card Services, Parking and Transportation, Vending, Health Services (financial management) and Residence Life (financial management). Administrative offices are located in Room 129 of Converse Hall (phone 912-333-5706; fax 912-333-7419). For information about 1 Card Services, the Bookstore, Dining Services, Health Services, Parking and Transportation, or Residence Life please visit our web pages: <http://services.valdosta.edu/> Additional information about Health Services and Residence Life may be found at <http://www.valdosta.edu/vsu/dept/stuaff/>

Valdosta State University has been defined by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia as a residential institution. This means that the University must provide on-campus housing and dining service. All students who live in residence halls are required to participate in the meal program. The policy is a part of the total “Living-Learning” concept of the University and is supported by an amendment to the Georgia Eighteen-Year-Old Bill which reads, “Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the powers of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to adopt and enforce rules and regulations for the government, control, and management of the University System; nor shall this Act be construed so as to limit the authority of any institution in the University System of Georgia to adopt and enforce rules and regulations governing housing, conduct, discipline, and other related activities of the student body.” By Regents’ Policy the Auxiliary Services Division is totally self-supporting and receives no State allocations of funds.

### **HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE**

Valdosta State University administers a Freshman Residency Policy which requires that all Freshmen live on campus. To be exempted from this requirement, a student must apply for exemption and meet one of the following criteria: thirty semester hours of earned academic credit and sophomore status, age nineteen by September 30 of the current academic year, or residing with parent(s), spouse, or legal guardian. Exemption forms are available at the Office of Housing and Residence Life (912-333-5920).

## Housing Application and Contract

The Housing Application and Contract are sent to students after their acceptance to the University. Housing applications may be submitted only after the student has been formally accepted by Valdosta State University. All students applying for campus housing will be required to contract for housing for the academic year. All students who plan to live in campus housing must pay an application fee of \$25.00 when they submit their Housing Application and Contract. Additionally, each student must pay a \$300.00 reservation fee by the deadline established in the Housing Contract. This reservation fee is applied to the student's spring semester fees. The housing contract outlines conditions under which refunds may be made. Occupancy of a room is terminated at the end of each spring semester. Students currently enrolled should obtain an application for housing at the Office of Housing and Residence Life, located at 104 Georgia Avenue.

Refer to the housing contract for specific terms and conditions. Please read the contract carefully: it constitutes a fully binding legal agreement with the University. Any resident desiring release from the contract prior to the conclusion of the academic year must complete a *Request for Release from Contract*, available in Office of Housing and Residence Life.

## Residence Hall Schedule

The rate of \$945 per semester for 2000-2001, which includes the House Activity Fee and Post Office Box Fee, is in effect for each of the residence halls operated by the University. This rate is based on dual occupancy. The University reserves the right to require students to accept dual occupancy or, if a private room is available and requested, to pay an additional private room fee. It is the University's option to close any of its residence halls in any given semester or to reassign students to rooms at any time. Rates for future academic years will be posted on our web pages and available on campus once the rates have been established.

## Apartments

Converse Hall apartments are available at the following rates (including House Fee [\$17] and Post Office Box Fee [\$6] ) to students who are 19 years of age.

Efficiencies (one person only).....	\$1,280
One Bedroom (one person only) .....	\$2,191
(two people, \$1,107 each) .....	\$2,214

Housing charges are assessed on a semester basis and must be paid in full as part of the registration process at the beginning of each semester. Rates include all utilities. Rates for future academic years will be posted on our World-Wide Web pages and available on campus once the rates have been established.

## DINING SERVICES

Dining Services provides a nutritionally balanced, appealing selection of foods to meet the varying dietary needs, desires, and lifestyles of its customers. The Palms Dining Center, located between Hopper Hall and Langdale Hall on the main campus, houses the administrative offices of Dining Services and serves all meal plan holders. All students who live in residence halls are required to purchase a basic meal plan each semester. All students, faculty, and staff may purchase meal plans; individual meals may be purchased at reasonable prices.

Dining Services programs are as follows:

Board Plan A .....	\$995
Breakfast, lunch, and dinner Monday through Saturday; breakfast and lunch on Sunday	
Board Plan B .....	\$975
Any two meals Monday through Saturday; breakfast and lunch on Sunday	
Board Plan C .....	\$1,085
Ten meals a week (7 days), with \$300 credited to a discretionary account.	
A la carte Meal Service (valid at all Dining Services locations) see below	
Available to students officially ranked as sophomores or above; minimum deposits are as follows:	
Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors .....	\$500 minimum
may be increased in \$25 increments up to \$1,000.	
Off-campus .....	\$50 minimum.

Each purchaser of a meal plan will receive a coded meal card, which is validated each semester with the applicable meal plan. A replacement meal card costs \$15.00.

The Blazer Grill (University Union) and The Food Court (University Center) feature daily breakfast and luncheon specials, plus a variety of snack items. The Oasis Snack Bar (Education Center) serves short order items and a full line of snacks. The Night Owl Convenience Store is in Langdale Hall.

## BOOKSTORE

The VSU Bookstore (University Union) provides quality products and services to enhance the educational and social experiences of the students, faculty, and staff of the University. In addition to providing all course-related textbooks and materials, the Bookstore offers stationery, limited fraternity and sorority items, imprinted clothing, personal computers, and software. Graduation announcements and class rings are also available through the Bookstore. The Bookstore sponsors a textbook buy-back service during the first three days of class and at the end of the semester during final examinations.

The average semester cost for all course-related textbooks, materials, and supplies is approximately \$375, depending on the student's designated area of study.

## **HEALTH SERVICES**

The Farber Health Center is a 9-bed infirmary located adjacent to Langdale Hall. Staffed by a physician, a physician's assistant, registered nurses, a pharmacist, and a medical technologist, it is open 24 hours a day while the University is in session and provides health care for students who register for six or more credit hours. All students living in campus housing regardless of the number of hours in which they are enrolled are required to pay the Health Fee.

All new students are required to provide evidence of inoculation for mumps, measles, and rubella. The University Health Service recommends additional inoculations for diphtheria, tetanus, polio, and influenza.

## **PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION**

All motor vehicles parked on campus must properly display a current parking permit at all times. Parking on campus is by permit only and is a privilege which may be withdrawn for cause at any time. All campus community members (students, faculty, staff, and visitors) are responsible for knowing and obeying parking regulations. Moreover, campus citizens are responsible for their guests and should ensure that they as well are aware of regulations. A parking regulations brochure (available to students, faculty, staff, and visitors) may be obtained at the Parking and Transportation Office. Detailed information about parking lots and instructions is also available on our web pages. Campus parking and traffic regulations are enforced under the authority of Georgia Code, Section 20-3-21. Parking Policies will be in effect and uniformly enforced at all times. Citations will be issued for infractions of parking policies. Fines may be paid at the Departmental Office at 114 Georgia Avenue (912-293-PARK).

VSU operates a shuttle bus service. A Blazer Express Shuttle Guide, available at the Parking & Transportation Office, indicates stops, routes, and operating hours. Maps may also be found at each bus stop and on our web pages.

## **“VSU 1Card” SERVICES**

The VSU1 card is a multipurpose identification and on-line debit card. It is an important part of every student's life. It may be used to make purchases at the VSU1 card office, Dining Services, Parking and Transportation, and the VSU Bookstore once a deposit has been made and the FLEX account has been activated. The FLEX account allows access to most types of financial aid for Bookstore purchases. It does not accrue interest and no cash refunds are given. Refund checks are limited to one per semester. The VSU1 card is necessary to access a meal plan, enter your residence hall, be admitted to athletic events, check out library material, obtain services at Student Health, vote in SGA elections, cash or write checks and to use facilities at the student union.

VSU1 cards contain a photograph of the student which is made during orientation or registration. VSU1 cards are issued at the P.E. complex during the registration dates of the student's first semester **after** payment of current semester fees. A photo ID must be presented to obtain the card. Each subsequent semester, the VSU1 card

must be presented at registration for validation by Financial Services Cashiers and Dining Services. Initial VSU1 cards are issued at no cost to the student. Lost cards **must** be replaced and will cost \$15.00

The VSU1 card is the property of the University and must be surrendered to University officials by the student upon request. Students are responsible for controlling their VSU1 and must have it in their possession at all times. The VSU1 cards must be presented, upon request, to any University official. Use of the VSU1 card is restricted to the individual to whom it is issued. Any misuse of the VSU1 card will result in deactivation and account closure.