Faculty housing is a critical strategic resource used by the University to recruit and retain exceptional faculty and to create a vibrant and dynamic residential and academic campus. Currently, the University provides housing near Washington Square to more than half of its tenured and tenure-track faculty and although that represents a significant number of housing units, it is not nearly sufficient to address the housing needs of the University community. Accordingly, in light of its limited resources, the University has adopted the following guiding principles and priorities with respect to the allocation of University housing.

Principles and Priorities in Allocating Faculty Housing Units

- In general, housing allocations are made and prioritized in a manner designed to support and further the Deans’ and the Provost’s academic priorities in the recruitment and retention of faculty.

- The University’s first priority is to recruit outstanding tenured and tenure-track faculty, with priority afforded to newly-recruited faculty who do not otherwise have a residence in the metropolitan area. Equally as important, University housing is a tool utilized to retain faculty who have been determined to be of high retention importance. The University also provides housing to a limited number of administrators whose positions at the University require that they reside on or near campus to support the health, safety, and welfare of the University community. Since meeting the foregoing needs exhausts much of the University’s available housing stock, other housing-related requests, including requests for transfers within University housing, although seriously considered, are sometimes unable to be met or may take a considerable amount of time to be met. Continuing contract faculty and administrators may be accommodated in exceptional circumstances only.

- Although the University makes every effort to take family size into account, family size alone is not determinative in a housing assignment. To accommodate growing families, members of the faculty whose family size has decreased or whose children have grown may be offered leases for alternative apartments more appropriate to their now-current situations.

- University housing is intended to be used as a primary residence only, as more fully described in the lease.

- At present, leases are issued for three-year terms, subject to continued employment and other housing eligibility requirements. At retirement, tenants who have no alternative housing options and who are otherwise eligible may normally downsize to a studio apartment.

The University may modify these principles and priorities at any time in its sole discretion.

Additional detailed information and resources related to housing options and assignments are available from the Office of Faculty Housing and can also be found at the Faculty Housing website at http://www.nyu.edu/faculty/faculty-housing.html. Only the Provost and the Office of Faculty Housing as authorized by the Provost have the authority to assign University housing.