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Northwest Iowa Community College to Open a New Residence Hall Fall of 2017

Just a short walk from classes, student housing at Northwest Iowa Community College is currently made up of three housing complexes: Cherokee Hall, [apartment style living](#); Lyon Hall, [suite style living](#), and O'Brien Hall, [suite style living](#). Starting in the fall of 2017 a fourth option is going to be offered. NCC will open the newest housing complex, Osceola Hall, which will offer single bedroom [suite style living](#).

Osceola Hall, which is currently under construction, will be a 19,000 square foot building that will open in fall 2017. Osceola Hall will consist of suites that will house four students each with their own bedroom. Each suite will consist of the following:

- living room
- kitchen
- 2 bathrooms (each bathroom will service 2 people)
- 4 individual bedrooms (students will have their own private sleeping space).

In addition, Osceola Hall will have a walk out basement that will feature a Gaming Room designed for several students to be playing at one time. Some of the features of the Gaming Room will be:

- 8 gaming stations that will include:
 - 70" TV's
 - Gaming consoles and games will be available for all TV's including: Xbox, Playstation, and Wii available, along with personal computers
 - Connections available for students to hook up personal consoles
- Cable TV available on all TV's
- High-speed internet (wired and wireless)

Students in all existing residence halls will be able to access the new Gaming Room as well as Osceola residents will have access to the other residence halls pool tables and ping-pong tables. The new residence hall will house forty students along with two residence assistant living spaces and accommodations for the onsite Residence Hall Director.

Nicole Steele, Coordinator of Residence Life and Student Activities, explains some of the benefits of NCC's residence halls and Osceola Hall in particular, "Housing at NCC is much nicer than most apartments I have looked at. And with all the amenities included such as free laundry, cable and internet, it is very cost comparable to what is offered off campus with the added benefit of not needing to drive anywhere. Also, with Osceola Halls addition of the game room and basement it adds a lot of fun activities and an improved safety feature for all of our housing students in case of inclement weather."

Steele says that students are excited for Osceola Hall to open. "There are some students who really like the idea of having their own room or space to retreat to. They can have things like their own dorm fridge and they will be able to lock their bedroom, but they can still have the college experience and three roommates with the suite format."

Shay Lund a Practical Nursing student from Paulina, Iowa, is excited for the new residence option, "The sweet life of living in the dorms has gotten even sweeter. I get my own room!"

Each resident on NCC's campus has access to a variety of amenities within or adjacent to the housing complex:

- Study rooms
- Computer lab
- FREE use of NCC's laundry facilities
- Wireless internet
- Cafeteria
- Cable paid by NCC
- Phone ready rooms
- Mail boxes
- All suite/apartments are furnished with:
 - Bed-(loft)/mattress
 - 3 drawer dresser
 - Desk & chair
- Recreation room with big screen TV and available game check-out
- Free parking
- Air conditioning
- Vending area
- Community activities
- Bike/exercise trail
- Counter top range (Cherokee Hall)
- Electric stove (Lyon/O'Brien Hall)
- Closet
- Dining table & chairs
- Blinds
- Full-size refrigerator
- Free access to the Lifelong Learning & Recreation Center

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- Check out the weight machines, free weights, treadmills, fitness bikes, gymnasium, locker rooms, walking/running track and towel service. Take part in an intramural volleyball or dodgeball tournament. Meet up with your friends after class for a 5 on 5 basketball scrimmage. Or wind down the day with a walk on the treadmill, watching TV, or selecting a virtual scenic location on your personal video screen! Free group fitness classes are also included.

For more information on Osceola Hall or any of the four residence halls or to schedule a campus visit, contact the Admissions office at studentservices@nwicc.edu, call 712-324-5061, 800-352-4907. Or visit our website at nwicc.edu. At NCC –Your Success is Our Story.