2020 Census Response Guide for University Students, Parents and Faculty and Staff

Spring Semester of 2020
1. Students, Parents & Clarion University Responsibilities
2. How to Respond to the 2020 Census
3. Additional 2020 Census Resources & Information

2020 Census University Count

Counting Students Who Live in Clarion University Housing

• **Clarion University** – Will count on campus students as part of their response to the 2020 Census.

• **Students** - No actions needed.

• **Parents** - *Do not include* your child on your family’s response to the 2020 Census.

• **Reminder**: Students who left campus housing due to **COVID-19** will still be counted by Clarion University and should not be counted by their parents in their 2020 Census response.

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2020 Census University Count continued…

Counting Students Who Live at Home and Commute/Take Online Classes

- **Parents – Include** your child in your household response to the 2020 Census.

- **Students – Remind** your parents to include you on their household response to the 2020 Census.

- **Clarion University** – No action needed.

- **Rule of Thumb:** Students should be counted at the place where they were living and sleeping most of the time as of April 1, 2020 (Census Day).

2020 Census University Count continued…

Counting Students Who Live in Privately Owned Rental Locations (Off Campus)

- **Students** – **Respond** to the 2020 Census. ONE PERSON from a shared apartment or house should fill out the census on behalf of the entire household and include information on everyone who lives there. See slide 6 for response options.

- **Parents** - **DO NOT** count your child on your household response to the 2020 Census.

- **Clarion University** – No action needed.

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Responding to 2020 Census is Easy…

How to Respond Online

How to Respond by Phone

How to Respond by Mail

2020 Census Faculty & Administration Guide

Why Should Everyone be Counted?

It’s about fair representation.

Every 10 years, the results of the census are used to reapportion the House of Representatives, determining how many seats each state gets.

It’s about $675 billion.

The distribution of more than $675 billion in federal funds, grants, and support to states, counties, and communities are based on census data. That money is spent on schools, hospitals, roads, public works, and other vital programs.

It’s about redistricting.

After each decade's census, state officials redraw the boundaries of the congressional and state legislative districts in their states to account for population shifts.

It’s in the Constitution.

The U.S. Constitution mandates that everyone in the country be counted every 10 years. The first census was in 1790.

Taking part is your civic duty.

Completing the census is mandatory; it's a way to participate in our democracy and say “I COUNT!”

2020 Census Resources

1. Counting College Students - What you need to know:
   • Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B4Ee8ol_LxY

2. Five Ways the Census Can Shape the Future for 2020 Grads:
   • https://2020census.gov/en/what-is-2020-census/focus/grads.html

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5. Help and FAQs