

DULUTH--UMD anticipates a shortage of 100 rooms for students living off-campus unless additional units are offered by Duluth residents by next September, Miss Patricia Theimer, UMD housing coordinator, said today.

"It will be almost two years before the new dormitory construction is completed," said Miss Theimer. "Even then, the balance between off-campus and on-campus housing may still be difficult because of rapidly rising enrollments."

One-hundred-seventy students now are housed in Vermilion Hall and Burntside Hall on the new campus, with 74 students living in Torrance Hall on the old campus.

About 750 students rented rooms off-campus during the past year, Miss Theimer stated.

She said students prefer single rooms within walking distance or within 10 minutes by bus providing direct service to the University, cooking facilities where possible, and a quiet atmosphere for study.

Each unit must meet specifications of the UMD housing code and be approved by UMD. "Householders are expected to support University housing rules and to exercise some supervision over the students," Miss Theimer said. "Students are happiest when they are extended a great deal of privacy, but friendly interest on the part of the householder is appreciated. Good housing not only affords a place to eat and sleep, but also provides an atmosphere of relaxation and quiet necessary to academic progress."

Inquiries should be made to the UMD Housing Office in Kirby Student Center.