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Applicants with Felony Convictions

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Policy: In keeping with our values of diversity, equity, and inclusion in educational opportunity and access, Millersville University prohibits University-wide applications for admission from individuals with a felony conviction.

Post-Admission Inquiry

After offering admission to a student, Millersville University shall inquire about prior felony and misdemeanor convictions if the student:

1. Seeks housing that is owned and/or operated by Millersville University, or
2. Seeks to participate in clinical or field experiences, internships, or study abroad programs.

A “conviction” is an adjudication of guilt and includes pleas of nolo contendere (no contest). The University shall disregard minor traffic violations, summaries, offenses committed before an applicant’s 18th birthday which were adjudicated in juvenile court under a Youth Offender Law, and any charges which have been expunged by a court or for which the applicant successfully completed an Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition Program.

Students who have previously been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor are advised that their prior criminal history may impede their ability to complete the requirements of certain academic programs and/or to meet licensure requirements for certain professions. Although individuals convicted of a felony or misdemeanor may be eligible for admission into related academic majors/programs, some state professional standards and licensure requirements may bar the issuing of a license. Students who have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor are strongly encouraged to contact their academic advisor for clarity. Millersville University will provide early and proactive advising about the impact of a conviction on licensure so that prospective students understand, and can make an informed decision regarding, what degree path they wish to pursue. As a part of that effort, when Housing and Residential Programs receives an application for housing

¹ from an individual who has been convicted of certain criminal offenses and/or

