GENERAL OVERVIEW

In Chadbourne, air-conditioning and heating can be used in either the heating or the cooling season. Heat is provided via hot water and cooling via chilled water through a radiator near your window. Having issues with the temperature of your room? Please submit a maintenance request at: mars.housing.wisc.edu.

GUIDELINES & HELPFUL HINTS

• Try small adjustments first to avoid overheating/cooling your room
• Make sure furniture, bedding, or belongings aren’t pushed against convectors as this could block air flow
• During heating season, open curtains and blinds during the day when you are home to allow the sun to warm your room naturally, and close them at night to decrease drafts; during cooling season, do the reverse
• Keep doors and windows closed when the heat or air conditioning is on
• Dress for the season: instead of turning up the heat, use blankets and sweaters

HEATING & COOLING CONTROLS

Your room’s temperature can be set from 65 – 75 °F and can be changed via a thermostat located under a small hinged panel on the upper left of the radiator (see photo). You may have a slightly different thermostat depending on your room. Temperature is controlled by a round dial. To increase temperature, turn the dial left (counterclockwise) and to decrease temperature, turn the dial right (clockwise). The other dial/slider controls fan speed.

• During heating season, the radiator cannot be turned off — the fan will run when there is a demand for heating or cooling
• During the cooling season, the fan will run continuously unless you change the fan to “off”

HUMIDITY TIPS

• When possible, keep your room door open to promote air movement and introduce fresh air
• Take wet clothing or towels to a laundry room to be washed/dried ASAP to reduce moisture
• Run a fan to help circulate air in your room
• When possible, keep your blinds open to prevent air from being trapped against the window
• Consider the items you have in your room: fish tanks, plants, humidifiers, and diffusers can contribute to humidity/moisture levels in your room