Every year, Student Housing is home to over 6000 UC Davis students, most of whom are first-year freshmen and transfer students who live in the residence halls.

Living in Student Housing is not required; however, most students choose to live in the residence halls their first year for many reasons: instant connection with other first-year students who might become life-long friends; excellent academic and peer support programs; on-site computer labs and Academic Advising Centers; clean well-maintained buildings, many of them LEED certified; shared-interest communities; an award-winning dining program. There are many reasons to live in Student Housing!

Living on Campus
Residence Halls at UC Davis

RESIDENCE HALL LOCATIONS

THE VALUE OF LIVING IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS

Living in the residence halls is more than a university tradition or college right of passage. Living in the residence halls provides first-year students with a wonderful residential experience that combines the support and resources needed to transition and be successful with the opportunities to make new friends and have the fun needed to recharge outside of classes.

The following services and benefits are included for all students who live in the residence halls:

- Academic advising and tutoring in the residential Academic Advising Centers
- Transitional and social theme programming
- Professional and student-level support staff available 24 hours a day
- Healthy food options in three dining facilities and access to a registered dietician
- 24 hour computer labs
- Included Internet and cable television
- Facilities and custodial support staff
- Community-based intramural teams

National research\(^1\) demonstrates that a residence hall experience leads to students who:

- Do better academically
- Are more likely to persist in college
- Are more involved in and/or integrated to campus

\(^1\)Visit housing.ucdavis.edu/loc to view the research references for these statements.

HOUSING GUARANTEE

All incoming fall quarter freshmen and transfer students are guaranteed housing in Student Housing, provided they meet eligibility requirements and all Student Housing and university deadlines. Freshmen are guaranteed two years of housing. Transfer students are guaranteed one year of housing. For more information, visit housing.ucdavis.edu/prospective.

Continuing students, graduate students, and students entering the university after fall quarter begins should contact Student Housing to inquire about their housing options.
**ELIGIBILITY**

**Eligibility Table**
Table assumes a fall quarter move-in (except for Summer Session Students). Students wishing to move in during another quarter should contact Student Housing regarding their options.

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Notes: Students must be under age 24 and single to live in the residence halls. Incoming Transfer Students are offered residence hall space based on availability.

**ACCESSIBILITY**

UC Davis works with students to ensure every student can access university resources. Wheelchair-accessible rooms are available in every residence hall. Shared community spaces are ADA-compliant.

Students should advise Student Housing that they require special accommodations when applying for housing so the necessary arrangements may be made before move-in.

In addition, students should contact the Student Disability Center (sdc.ucdavis.edu) to learn about other resources available to them, and to coordinate their needs with their professors.

**SAFETY & SECURITY**

Student Housing strives to provide a safe and secure place to live. In order to do so, we utilize several services and systems.

**LOCKED 24/7**
All residence halls feature an electronic key-card access system for exterior entrances and all buildings are locked at all times. Access is limited to residents of the hall (and certain Student Housing and emergency staff), so the collective resident community controls and limits access to their building. Every residence hall bedroom has its own lock.

**UC DAVIS POLICE AND AGGIE HOSTS**
UC Davis proudly operates its own police department with sworn officers providing high-visibility patrol, response to criminal incidents and emergencies, and crime prevention education programs.

The Aggie Host Student Patrol, overseen by the police department, operates “Safe Rides”, a service that is available every evening to escort students traveling to and from residence areas as well as across campus. (police.ucdavis.edu)

**HOUSING STAFF ARE AVAILABLE**
Student Housing staff are available to help with any questions or concerns. Via an on-call system, staff are always available during non-business hours. In addition, Student Housing staff help develop and encourage a healthy, safe atmosphere. They facilitate workshops that support community values, including courtesy, sensitivity and respect, and that reject discrimination and hatred.
Living in the residence halls is an excellent way for first-year students to transition into the UC Davis community. There are a wide variety of opportunities to meet people, make friends, learn about campus, and establish roots. What also sets the residence halls apart are the support programs Student Housing provides.

Residence halls are home to more than 5,000 freshmen and transfer students each year - Student Housing takes pride in helping with their successful transition to university life.

WHAT IS A RESIDENCE HALL?

A residence hall is a moderate-size building containing many bedrooms and bathrooms, living rooms, study spaces, laundry facilities, and other shared indoor and outdoor spaces.

At UC Davis, residence halls are clustered into three areas on campus. Each residence hall area has a dining facility, a convenience store, an area service desk, academic support, transition services, and computer resources.

RESIDENCE HALLS AND AREAS

Student Housing operates 23 residence halls, totaling 29 residential buildings, in three areas on campus: Segundo, Tercero, and Cuarto.

Segundo
- 8 residence halls (14 buildings)
- about 1500 residents
- located on the northwest corner of central campus

Tercero
- 12 residence halls
- about 2400 residents
- located on the southwest corner of central campus

Cuarto
- 3 residence halls
- about 1000 residents
- located one block northwest of central campus

Visit housing.ucdavis.edu/housing for more information about residence halls and areas.

Residence Halls
Communities on Campus
Sustainable Buildings

Residence halls incorporate design features and operational and maintenance procedures to reduce their environmental impact. Some buildings are in the process of or have already earned LEED certification.

Sustainable initiatives:
- ENERGY STAR label for qualifying buildings
- On-site solar photovoltaic and solar thermal systems
- Energy efficient lighting
- Low flow/flush bathroom fixtures
- High performance green cleaning products and procedures
- Filtered water bottle filling stations
- At least one bicycle parking space per resident

Visit housing.ucdavis.edu/sustainability for more information.

What Are Rooms Like?

Size
Residence hall rooms are around 100 sq feet (typically about 10x10 or 9x12, though size and shape may vary), carpeted, and have a window, a closet or wardrobe, and a place to hang towels.

Furnishings
All rooms are furnished with a twin-size bed and mattress (size varies), desk and chair, dresser, desktop bookshelf, desk lamp, and waste and recycling containers.

Internet, Television, Telephone
Each room includes high speed Internet service via an Ethernet port and/or a Wifi network, broadcast television programming, and access to Resident Select, an online on-demand movie service. Optional telephone service is available in most, but not all, residence halls.

Requesting Roommates

Residence hall applicants may submit a request to live with roommate(s) of their choice and, while not guaranteed, in most cases Student Housing is able to honor the request. Student Housing will provide access to RoomSync, a roommate matching Facebook application that will provide students a platform for connecting with other residence hall applicants. Otherwise, students will be randomly assigned to spaces.
Residence Hall Staff

Resident Advisors (RAs) and Senior RAs (SRAs) are undergraduate students who live in the residence halls, oversee building communities, engage students in various activities, advise, and development community. SRAs also assist professional staff with managing the residence hall areas.

Student Housing Professional Coordinator staff supervise the student staff and offer additional support to residents, academic support, leadership development opportunities, and guidance regarding policies and conflict resolution.

Area Service Desk

The Area Service Desk is the customer service and support center of the residence halls—the place residents go to get information, pick up mail and care packages, and borrow things such as games and cookware. It is also where students go to borrow a temporary key when they get locked out of their room.

Computer Centers

Computer Centers provide complimentary access to computers, printers (up to 250 free pages per quarter), scanners, Internet access, and space for studying and holding review sessions. Desktop computers and terminals run Windows, Microsoft’s Office Suite, iTunes, and Firefox. A Computer Center is available 24/7 in all three housing areas. Computer Center student staff provide computer and software support. Note: campus labs offer additional resources, including Apple desktops and accessible workstations.
OCCUPANCY DIAGRAMS

Single Occupancy Room

Double Occupancy Room

Triple Occupancy Room

Occupancy diagrams represent what an average residence hall room may look like. However, there are often a variety of ways in which the furniture can be arranged. Also, rooms do not all have the same dimensions, so not every furniture arrangement can be achieved in every room. Rooms are not to scale.

LIVING PREFERENCES

There are three categories for which prospective residents may submit preferences: Occupancy, Gender, and Shared-Interest Community.

In the residence hall application, students indicate their living preferences by selecting available options within each category in their order of importance. Because not every preference can be accommodated, Student Housing determines assignments based upon students’ priorities and available space.

Occupancy

Occupancy refers to the amount of residents in each room. Rooms are available in single-occupancy (one person; no roommate), double-occupancy (two total people), and triple-occupancy (three total people). Most rooms are double-occupancy; demand for single-occupancy rooms usually exceeds the availability; demand for triple-occupancy usually meets the availability. Occupancy choice affects the cost of housing.

Gender

Gender refers to the ability to live in a single-gender community or a mixed-gender community. Most communities are mixed-gender. Gender choice does not affect the cost of housing.

Living-Learning Community

Living-Learning Communities are special interest communities within the residence halls. Living-Learning Community choice does not affect the cost of housing. See page 9 or visit housing.ucdavis.edu/education/communities to learn more about Living-Learning Communities.

GO ONLINE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT UC DAVIS RESIDENCE HALLS

Visit housing.ucdavis.edu/housing to learn more about the residence halls. Read about the three housing areas and which residence halls are in each area, review residence hall features, and view photographs, maps, floor plans, and room layouts/occupancy diagrams for each residence hall.
Student Housing provides a comprehensive in-house academic first-year experience program. Professional staff work with academic departments to deliver academic programming and support services developed specifically for first-year students. Emphasis is placed on “advising services”, ensuring students have the greatest chance of a successful transition into a research-based university setting.

Located in each housing area, Academic Advising Centers (AAC) provide convenient, personalized academic support for every residence hall student through Residence Hall Advising Team peer advisers and Student Academic Success Center tutors.

Peer advisers from all four Colleges–Letters & Science, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, Biological Sciences, and Engineering–and the First-Year Experience program provide academic planning assistance, major exploration, grading options, internship information, and connections with other campus resources.

In addition to peer advisers, tutors from the Student Academic Success Center (SASC) are available most evenings on a drop-in basis for free assistance with common first-year courses such as math, chemistry and writing.

For more information, including hours and locations, visit housing.ucdavis.edu/current/academic_advising_center.asp.

- Augments in-class learning in a convenient and comfortable atmosphere
- Improves advising for first-year students and eases the transition into university life
- Encourages development of proactive academic practices
- Bridges a connection to the College Dean’s Office early in the college experience
- Connects students with faculty members which aids in academic achievement and retention
- Improves understanding of resources available on campus
Living-Learning
Themed Communities

SHARED-INTEREST COMMUNITIES
While Student Housing staff work to develop cohesive communities in all residential areas, some students find living with students who share a common interest further enhances their experience. Student Housing has designated some living-learning communities to bring students with similar interests together in their living space. Some of these interest communities are specifically related to academics while others are more related to living preferences (such as quiet community). There are many options which have been generated by student input over many years, all of which can be seen in the on-line housing application. For a complete list of Living-Learning Communities, visit housing.ucdavis.edu/education/communities.

BENEFITS OF LIVING IN LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITIES
In addition to the benefits that all students receive from living in the residence halls, students living in Living-Learning Communities have the opportunity to engage in meaningful dialogue with students who share a common interest. If the Living-Learning Community is academically related, students in the communities often form study groups and share information about meaningful opportunities to continue their education outside of the classroom. For some academically related Living-Learning Communities one-unit seminars are offered within the community during fall quarter. In these seminars, faculty members lead discussions on topics directly related to the theme of the community; they also provide opportunities to learn about academic, internship, research and career options and to network with faculty and students in similar fields.
UC Davis offers one of the best programs in collegiate dining: exceptional recipes, local and sustainable food sources, and options for a wide range of dietary needs, including vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free. A full-time nutritionist is available to assist students with planning a healthy diet, including management of food allergies.

DINING COMMONS
Dining commons (DCs) are Student Housing dining facilities located in each residence hall area. DCs offer comfortable community dining featuring seasonal menus served at various themed kitchen “platforms”. These include soup and salad bars, a grill, sautéed and pasta entrees, specialty entrees, an open fire brick pizza oven, a Mongolian Wok, and a variety of desserts. A wide range of beverages are available, including Fair Trade coffee and infused water and teas.

Daily Meals
During the week, DCs are open for breakfast, lunch and dinner; on weekends, they’re open for brunch and dinner. The DCs reopen after dinner for a “late-night” meal period Mondays through Thursdays.

DINING ON CAMPUS
There are many places to get food on campus. There are three dining commons in the residence hall areas. Several restaurants operate at the Silo Union and Memorial Union. The ASUCD CoHo (Coffee House) brews coffee and espresso, and bakes a variety of cookies, pastries and other snacks. Convenience stores are located near the dining commons. Starbucks is located at the Activities and Recreation Center (ARC) and the Silo. Other food and coffee retailers can be found around campus, including the Sciences Lab building and in the Health Sciences District.

C-STORES
There is a convenience store, or “C-Store”, in each residence hall area. C-Stores sell a variety of food, including house-made microwavable meals and a variety of salads and sandwiches. Snacks, chips, candy bars, gum, ice cream, and beverages, including water, tea, Fair Trade coffee, smoothies, and energy drinks are also available. C-Stores are open from morning until late evening every weekday, and during evenings on the weekend.
DINING PLANS

Every residence hall contract includes a meal plan to be used in the dining commons, and Aggie Cash for non-dining commons purchases.

MEAL PLANS

There are five meal plans from which to choose:

• 90 meals (per quarter)
• 120 meals (per quarter)
• 150 meals (per quarter)
• 180 meals (per quarter)
• unlimited meals (per quarter)

Students may choose any of the meal plans and, to decide, should estimate how many meals (per week) they expect to eat on campus based upon their schedule, eating habits, and expectations for staying or leaving campus on weekends.

Residents may eat in any dining commons for any meal—they are not limited to the one in their area—so they have the flexibility to eat based upon their schedule or preference.

CHANGING MEAL PLANS

Students who determine their meal plan isn’t appropriate for their needs may change from one meal plan to another. Students may change their meal plan during the “meal plan change period” in between each quarter; they may not change a meal plan at any other time.

ADDING EXTRA MEALS

Students who run out of meals before the end of a quarter may purchase additional meals in blocks of 10. Dining Services publishes a meal planning guide to help students decide how best to manage their meal plans.

AGGIE CASH

Aggie Cash is a declining balance (“debit”) program built right into the Aggie Card that is included with every meal plan. An alternative to carrying cash, Aggie Cash adds greater flexibility to the meal program as it can be used to purchase food and drinks at participating on campus locations. Each plan automatically comes with $100 in Aggie Cash per quarter. Plans may be upgraded to $200 or $250 in Aggie Cash per quarter.

Visit myaggiecash.com to learn more about Aggie Cash and its participating locations.

NUTRITION AND SUSTAINABILITY

The professionals at Dining Services place an emphasis on planning and serving nutritious meals using food that is in season, local and sustainable whenever possible. Vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free options are available at every meal. Each entree can be customized to meet a student’s special nutrition needs/allergy limitations.

The dining program composts or recycles over 95% of its waste. Dining Services reduces food waste and water usage by removing trays from the dining rooms and offering a reusable dishware program for student events in the residence areas.

The dining program offers a dynamic educational program focused on giving student guests the skills and knowledge they need to live in a sustainable manner and nourish their bodies outside of the residence halls.

A registered dietician is available for students with special dietary needs or concerns. Please contact Student Housing for more information.

Dining Plan options, including meal plans and Aggie Cash, are subject to change. Check housing.ucdavis.edu/dining for the most recent information.
Getting Around
Transportation Options Abound

GETTING AROUND

Some of the best characteristics of both UC Davis and the City of Davis relate to the variety of travel options available. UC Davis is a large campus, but much of it can be traveled in a timely fashion on foot. For those in need of a different form of transportation, there are several options.

CYCLING-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

Davis is home to more bicycles per capita than any other U.S. city and offers more than 50 miles of bicycle paths. Due to its cycling-friendly design, the city is home to the U.S. Cycling Hall of Fame (ushhof.org). An extensive bicycle path system connects all of UC Davis and the city, and there are thousands of bike parking stalls throughout campus, allowing the majority of students to bike to their classes. When in need, parts and service may be found at the Bike Barn on campus (bikebarn.ucdavis.edu) and at the many bicycle shops in town.

UNITRANS BUSES

The Unitrans bus system is run by the Associated Students of UC Davis (ASUCD) and serves both UC Davis and the Davis community. Buses run extensive routes throughout the city, operating 16 hours each weekday during the academic year. Undergraduate students receive unlimited access to Unitrans. Learn more: unitrans.ucdavis.edu.

PARKING ON CAMPUS

First-year freshmen residence hall students are not eligible to purchase campus parking permits and may not bring a car to campus. Residence hall students walk, bike, and utilize public transportation to get around the campus and community.

Transfer students who are assigned to an on-campus residence hall space may apply for a parking permit that may be used only in the designated on-campus lot. Permit applications are available after students move into the residence halls.

OTHER MODES OF TRAVEL

Visit taps.ucdavis.edu and click on Alternative Transportation to learn more.
Next Steps
Applying, Fees, Deadlines

HOW TO APPLY

Before applying for housing, students must first submit their Statement of Intent to Register (SIR). Students who submitted their SIR and are eligible to live in the residence halls may then proceed to apply for housing.

Go to myadmissions.ucdavis.edu and select “Housing Application Request” to begin the application. Be sure to read the Terms of Use and all contract information. Students must complete their application by the Housing contracts deadline to qualify for guaranteed housing. Applicants filing after the deadline will be offered housing based upon available space.

Reservation Fee

A $500 reservation fee is due by the application deadline, and can be paid online when the application is submitted by selecting “Pay my reservation fee”. The reservation fee may also be sent by mail.

RESIDENCE HALL FEES

Residence hall fees vary based upon two factors: room occupancy and meal plan. Residence hall area and Shared-Interest Community options do not affect rates.

Payments are made in three installments, due September 15, December 15, and March 15. Student Housing does not invoice for these fees, but an online statement is available at MyBill.ucdavis.edu.

Contact Student Housing or visit housing.ucdavis.edu/fees for more information about rates and payments.

2014-2015 Rates*

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$100 of Aggie Cash is automatically included in all meal plans. Aggie Cash program upgrades can be made to any meal plan for an additional fee. Visit the Student Housing website for more information and current rates and changes.

*Note: Housing rates are projected to increase 1-3% for 2015-2016.

DEADLINES & CONTACT INFORMATION

Refer to the back page of this brochure for a list of Important Dates and application deadlines, as well as contact information for Student Housing and a selection of other campus departments.

QUESTIONS

Call or email Student Housing at 530-752-2033 or studenthousing@ucdavis.edu, and visit the Student Housing website at housing.ucdavis.edu for tour schedules, photographs, important dates, or additional information about our residence halls. The website also features AskMe!, Student Housing’s frequently asked questions database.
As part of the “Freshman Housing Guarantee”, Student Housing provides second-year housing to any student who lives in the residence halls during their first year (and who qualified for the Freshman Housing Guarantee when entering UC Davis in the fall).

**HOW IT WORKS**

Student Housing will make housing offers to eligible students beginning in January. Students who accept the offer will be required to make their reservation payment no later than February. Housing assignments will be sent in August. Specific housing locations are subject to change and will be finalized no later than April 1.

Many international students attend UC Davis each year. Some international students come to study for a short amount of time—a few weeks, perhaps a quarter—while others enroll for a year or more, often pursuing a degree. Student Housing offers housing to meet international students’ needs.

**LIVING HERE A LITTLE WHILE**

International students attending UC Davis for less than a year are eligible to live in Student Housing. Students may live in the residence halls, apartment communities, or the cooperatives. Housing space is subject to availability, and not all students qualify for all types of housing. Contact Student Housing to learn more about housing availability, pricing, and how to apply.

**LIVING HERE FOR THE YEAR**

Most international students entering UC Davis in the fall as a freshman or transfer student are eligible for housing either in the residence halls and/or Student Housing Apartments, provided they meet eligibility requirements and deadlines. Those who are eligible can apply for housing after they submit their SIR. Those who do not qualify for guaranteed housing or require different accommodations should call Student Housing to learn about all of their options.
What others are saying

I would encourage new students to live in Student Housing because it becomes a much needed family in your beginning stages at Davis. When you have a bad day, you can come back to RA's that will help you come out on top. When you ace a test, you will have floor mates cheering you on. And of course, when you move beyond the parameters of Student Housing, the family you made will always be there from the memories you cherish to the friendly faces you will see around campus.

- Alexandra Doerschlag, Class of 2016

Because that is the best way for students to get connected on campus. The extra investment in cost more than pays for itself in building the social network, learning to navigate the campus systems, and reducing time to graduate.

- David B. Tanner, parent of a UC Davis student

Our son’s UC student housing in Malcolm Hall (Segundo) provided a modern and surprisingly spacious room, an instant social group, plentiful and incredibly healthy meals with flexible meal plans, and easy access to all areas of campus. He came to Davis not knowing anyone, and finished his freshman year with lifelong friends from a variety of backgrounds and with varying interests. This was exactly what we had hoped his freshman year dorm experience would provide for him, and we were not disappointed.

- Cheryl Leff, parent of a UC Davis student
IMPORTANT DATES
Decision UC Davis........................................... spring
Statement of Intent to Register (Freshmen)........ May 1
Statement of Intent to Register (Transfers)......... June 1
Housing offers .................................................. after SIR
Housing application deadline (Freshmen) .......... early May
Housing application deadline (Transfers).......... early June
Room assignments emailed............................. late-August
Move-In Weekend............................................ mid/late Sept
Welcome Week / Freshmen Orientation .......... mid/late Sept
Fall quarter classes begin.............................. Sept/Oct

Visit housing.ucdavis.edu/calendar for specific dates.

CONTACT INFORMATION
Student Housing........ 530-752-2033 / 530-752-4345 (fax)
........................................ housing.ucdavis.edu
Admissions.............. 530-752-2971 / admissions.ucdavis.edu
Financial Aid......... 530-752-2390 / financialaid.ucdavis.edu
Orientation............. 530-752-4443 / orientation.ucdavis.edu
Fall Welcome.......... fallwelcome.ucdavis.edu
IET (computers)...... scg.ucdavis.edu
MyBill.................... mybill.ucdavis.edu
Disability Center...... 530-752-3184 / sdc.ucdavis.edu
MyUCDavis.............. my.ucdavis.edu
SISWeb.................. sisweb.ucdavis.edu
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