Guide to Living on Campus
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LIVE HERE

At the University of Minnesota, Housing & Residential Life is your partner in living and thriving in a safe community where every individual is cared about, invested in, and included. This guide features important information about your choice of on-campus living options so you can take advantage of the full University experience.
Campus Housing

Housing & Residential Life at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities creates supportive, fun, safe, and healthy communities in on-campus residence halls and apartments. Meet friends and get involved in campus life!

SAFE CAMPUS
Community safety for all residents is a top priority. We work closely with University leadership to manage COVID-19 response and other concerns. Find the latest information at safe-campus.umn.edu.

GREAT LOCATION
Close to class, libraries, dining, wellness facilities, arts venues, sporting events, parks, trails, and more, all a quick walk or bike, bus, or lightrail ride away.

CONNECTIONS
Enjoy rich cultural and social experiences, get to know all types of people, and create lifelong friendships in an inclusive community.

SUPPORT SYSTEM
Every building has a Residence Director and Community Advisors to take care of your community year-round and help you navigate campus life.

24/7 INFO DESK & SECURITY

WORK WHERE YOU LIVE
Join fellow Gophers who work in a variety of roles from the info desk and dining center to the facilities, tech, and residential life teams. Provide outstanding programs, services, and support for campus residents.

Tour Our Rooms
Visit campus anytime! Check out 360-degree photos of different room types and watch video walkthroughs of our buildings online at z.umn.edu/housing-options.
How to Apply

Your preferences are important to us! We use the information on your housing application to assign you to a space that most closely matches your choices. Be sure to list all the options you are interested in.

Before making an assignment, we look at the following items:

1. Housing Application Date
2. Living Learning Community
3. Mutual Roommate Requests
4. Building Preference
5. Room Type Preference
6. Roommate Matching Questions

Living Learning Communities

Connect with other students who share similar interests, academic goals, and personal direction in one of 30+ communities. LLCs bring students to live together in a dedicated area of a residence hall. Take advantage of this unique opportunity to expand your college experience through exploration and collaboration with campus departments and academic programs.

APPLY EARLY!

Some LLCs will fill up before March 1. Many programs use the housing application date to create priority, and each LLC has a limit on the number of participants.

Talk to your prospective roommate. Some programs do not have space to accommodate roommates who are not part of the LLC.

LLCs are free! You do not have to pay extra to participate.

Think about your classes. Some LLCs require or recommend a course. Some accept any student who has an interest in their program. Some only allow students of a specific major or program to be a part of the community.

Learn more at housing.umn.edu/community/llcs.
Roommates

Have a specific roommate in mind? It needs to be a mutual request, so enter their Internet ID on your application and be sure they put your information on their application.

If you do not have a specific roommate in mind, we will do the matching for you based on the application questionnaire or you can use our search system available in the spring. Roommate Search is constantly updated with new listings as new students apply for housing, so be sure to check back often.

Gender Open Housing

This housing option is focused on creating an inclusive environment where students can live together regardless of sex, gender identity, and/or gender expression. Learn more at z.umn.edu/gender-open-housing.

Application Checklist

☐ Apply early at housing.umn.edu/live/apply.
  ☐ Submit your $50 non-refundable Housing Application Fee.
  ☐ Enter your LLC, building, room type, and meal plan preferences.*
  ☐ Add, change, or remove specific roommate requests.

☐ Send signature of parent or legal guardian (if under 18 at the time).

☐ After you confirm your U of M enrollment with the Office of Admissions, you will also need to confirm your housing preferences by submitting your $200 housing guarantee payment (or payment extension request) by May 15.

Guaranteed students will receive their housing assignment by July 31.

* PREFERENCES MAY BE UPDATED THROUGH MAY 15.
Residence Halls and Apartments

Get details and compare options at z.umn.edu/housing-options.

17th Avenue Hall
Community Size: 600
Neighborhood: Dinkytown

Bailey Hall
Community Size: 504
Neighborhood: St. Paul

Centennial Hall
Community Size: 690
Neighborhood: Superblock

Comstock Hall
Community Size: 553
Neighborhood: East River

Frontier Hall
Community Size: 735
Neighborhood: Superblock

Middlebrook Hall
Community Size: 911
Neighborhood: West Bank

Pioneer Hall
Community Size: 758
Neighborhood: Superblock

Sanford Hall
Community Size: 530
Neighborhood: Dinkytown

Territorial Hall
Community Size: 695
Neighborhood: Superblock

Keeler Apartments
Community Size: 164
Neighborhood: Dinkytown

Radius Apartments
Community Size: 769
Neighborhood: Dinkytown

Wilkins Apartments
Community Size: 144
Neighborhood: Dinkytown

Yudof Apartments
Community Size: 505
Neighborhood: East River

FEATURES AND AMENITIES
Unlimited utilities, laundry, air conditioning†, WiFi, Gigabit Ethernet‡ internet, streaming TV, furnished rooms, study rooms, lounges, game rooms, music practice rooms, security, 24/7 info desk, and more.

Some buildings are exclusive to particular types of students.

Frontier, Sanford, and Territorial are for first-year students.
Keeler, Radius, and Wilkins are for returning students.

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† BAILEY-EAST WING AND SANFORD HAVE NO AIR CONDITIONING.
‡ RADIUS HAS NON-GIGABIT INTERNET.
Campus Dining

With a University meal plan, there’s no need to worry about buying groceries or cooking; you’re just a U Card swipe away from breakfast, lunch, and dinner! A meal plan is required for all students living in residence halls.

You can use your meal plan at any of the six residential restaurants on campus. The wide variety of plans and food options ensures that you’ll be able to eat healthy, balanced meals every day.

MEAL PLANS
Meal plans provide unlimited meals throughout the day as many times as you choose.

FLEXDINE
FlexDine is included with every meal plan. It works like cash to purchase beverages, snacks, or full meals in residential restaurants, as well as on-campus cafés, restaurants, and convenience stores.

Visit dining.umn.edu for the retail options available throughout campus.
Apply Today

Housing assignments are made based on the date of your housing application first, followed by other factors like roommate or Living Learning Community preferences.

You don’t have to wait until you know the status of your admission to the University of Minnesota to apply. Applying early puts you in a better position to get one of your preferred buildings or room types, and all that is needed is a non-refundable $50 housing application fee.

Apply today at housing.umn.edu/live/apply!

MAY 1 HOUSING GUARANTEE

First-year students who have confirmed their University of Minnesota enrollment and completed a housing application by May 1 are guaranteed a space in housing. This space could be in the West Bank, East River, Dinkytown, Superblock, or St. Paul neighborhoods.

Preferences on your housing application cannot be guaranteed. Students who apply closer to the May 1 deadline are typically assigned to a lower or not preferenced hall, an expanded (temporary) housing space, or in remaining available spaces.

For more information regarding the housing guarantee and expanded housing, visit housing.umn.edu/guarantee.

Contact

Whether you are a prospective U of M student, a current resident, or a family member, our goal is to provide you with the best service possible. Contact us anytime at housing@umn.edu.