Single Student Residence

How do you apply for residence?

If you are interested in residence, you must apply directly to each and every residence that you wish to be considered for. Please note: residence space is very limited. It is advisable to apply to the residences when you apply to the University -- do not wait until you have been admitted.

For details on the residences' application procedures and facilities, visit the Student Housing Service web site (www.housing.utoronto.ca), or contact the residences directly.

The following U of T residences will consider applications from graduate students:

**Apartment Style Residences, No Meal Plan**
Graduate House 60 Harbord St., Toronto, ON  
(416) 946-8888 Fax (416) 946-8887  
information.gradhouse@utoronto.ca  
www.sgs.utoronto.ca/residencegradtwo

**Dormitory-Style Residences, with Compulsory Meal Plan**
89 Chestnut Residence  
89 Chestnut St., Toronto, ON, M5G 1R1  
(416) 978-8863 Fax (416) 977-1136  
chestnut.residence@utoronto.ca  
www.utoronto.ca/chestnut

Knox College  
59 St. George St., Toronto, ON, M5S 2E6  
(416) 978-0168 Fax (416) 971-2133  
knox.residence@utoronto.ca  
www.utoronto.ca/knox

Loretto College (Women only)  
70 St. Mary St., Toronto, ON, M5S 1J3  
(416) 925-2833 Fax (416) 925-4398  
loretto.college@utoronto.ca  
www.utoronto.ca/stmikes/loretto

St. Michael’s College  
81 St. Mary St., Toronto, ON, M5S 1J4  
(416) 926-7127 Fax (416) 926-7276  
smc.dean@utoronto.ca  
www.utoronto.ca/stmikes/residence

Wycliffe College  
5 Hoskin Ave., Toronto, ON, M5S 1H7  
(416) 946-3545 Fax (416) 946-3535  
wycliffe.college@utoronto.ca  
www.wycliffecollege.ca

When will you know if there is a space in residence for you?

Generally, U of T residences begin their admission process in May, and continue throughout the summer. It is wise to apply as early as possible, to as many residences as possible, to increase your chances of receiving an offer. If you do not receive an offer from any residence by the end of July, contact the Student Housing Service at 416-978-8045. We will discuss your options (e.g. off-campus housing).

What is the cost of residence?

Rates for 2006/2007 have not yet been determined. In 2005/2006, Graduate House cost $608 per month. Residences with a compulsory meal plan cost $7,200 - $11,778 for the 8-month academic term (Depending on the residence facilities, type of room, etc.). Compulsory meal plans may be adapted for special dietary needs, but can not be opted out of.
Student Family Housing

U of T has two high-rise buildings on the St George Campus that provide unfurnished apartments to full-time U of T students with a spouse/common law partner and/or children.

When should you apply?

Apply as soon as possible. You need not wait for academic acceptance to U of T before applying. For those that require 2 months notice, the waiting period is approx. 12-18 months (this is only an average and depends on many variables, the most important of which is the supply of vacant apartments in any given month). If you can move with less than one month’s notice, the waiting period may be significantly less.

What is the cost?

As of Sept 1, 2005, rent for the bachelor, one- and two-bedroom units ranges from approximately $572 to $937 depending on the location and size of the unit, and is payable monthly.

For more info or to apply:
Family housing@utoronto.ca
Tel (416) 978-8049
Fax (416) 946-5466
www.housing.utoronto.ca

Off-Campus Housing

Housing Ads

The Student Housing Service maintains a registry of housing ads for students which are posted daily in a format very similar to newspaper classifieds. The registry is not available to the general public.

To view the ads on the web:
Current U of T student number and birthdate are required. Go to the Housing Login Page of the Student Housing web site: www.housing.utoronto.ca.

To view the ads in person:
Current U of T student ID, admission letter, or fees invoice is required. The ads are posted at the Student Housing Service, 214 College Street.

When should you start to look for rental housing?

The vacancy rate in Toronto remains high at 4.5%. This is good news for students! However, finding affordable accommodation suited to your needs can still be a challenge. Landlords rarely advertise more than 2 months prior to the occupancy date. To improve your chances of finding a suitable place, start your search between 3 - 8 weeks before your intended date of occupancy, and check the listings daily, making appointments to view places as soon as is convenient for you and the landlord.

Since accommodation listed with the Student Housing Service is not inspected, the quality cannot be estimated or guaranteed. Therefore it is very important for students to meet with the landlord and inspect the premises before entering any agreement.

What should you expect to pay monthly?

Shared Accommodation:
$350-$600
Private Accommodation:
Bachelor unit: $500-750
1-Bedroom apt: $550-900
2-bedrm apt: $800-1300
3-bedroom apt: $1200-1700

You may pay an extra 10% of your monthly rent to cover your share of heating, phone, electricity, cable, and/or water bills.

On a tight budget? The Student Housing office has a display board with housing ads in which rent in reduced in exchange for a service, e.g. childcare, landscaping, or tutoring.

While the rental market can be competitive, trust your own judgement at all times. If you are persistent and prepared during your search, you can avoid making unsatisfactory arrangements.