

Housing

Living on campus can be an important part of your educational experience. Whether you are a freshman or a transfer student, you should consider living on campus if you want to take the opportunity to develop friendships and participate in the academic atmosphere of the university.

Residence Hall Living. You will find that the convenience of being on campus makes going to and from class easy. It encourages the use of campus facilities, such as the library and computer/science laboratories, along with attendance at such activities as dances, plays, lectures, and concerts occurring during evenings and weekends.

The halls have a variety of interesting and enjoyable programs designed to add an exciting dimension to residence hall living. Social activities include dances, special hall and floor dinners, picnics, and movies. A swimming pool and computer lab are available for exclusive use by residence hall students.

Individual Halls. The housing complex consists of nine residence halls, an administration building, and the residence dining hall. Baker, Graves, and Homan Halls each house 212 students in a design that encourages building unity. The other halls are generally referred to as Commons although each building is named for easy identification. Birch, Cedar, and Sequoia surround the south quad, while Aspen, Ponderosa, and Sycamore surround the north quad. Most of the halls are coed. Coed buildings are characterized by men living on one floor or wing and women living on another. A total of 1,200 students live on campus.



Almost all of the rooms are shared by two students, although approximately 100 single rooms are available if you want greater privacy.

Staff. Trained professionals are available to help make your stay in the residence halls enjoyable. Specialists in programming assist you in developing social, cultural, educational, and recreational programs and activities. Other professionals offer guidance in resolving personal problems.

Augmenting this staff are the senior resident adviser and resident adviser staffs. Students who have previous residence hall living experience are selected to serve as student leaders on each floor. Their understanding of life in the residence halls is valuable in helping new and returning students adjust to residence hall living.

Resident advisers receive training in such areas as counseling and first aid and understand the workings of the university so they can assist students with academic-related issues, emergencies, and personal concerns. Once you have lived here, you may want to consider becoming a resident adviser. You'll find this an excellent opportunity to develop valuable leadership skills while receiving free room and board.

How to Apply. The housing application process is completely separate from the university admissions process.

Applications are available starting in March for the fall semester and in October for the spring semester. You are urged to apply early as on-campus space is limited. All students must agree to live in the halls for the entire academic year.

All individuals applying to the university for the first time automatically receive housing information. You need not wait until you are officially accepted by the university, and if you are denied admission, your deposit will be refunded to you once you notify us.

To receive a housing application, contact the University Housing Office by calling (209) 278-2345.

Off-Campus Housing. An apartment brochure, published annually, identifies apartments within the vicinity of the campus. Our experience indicates that most students find this publication helpful in locating good, affordable housing. Listings of houses, rooms, and students looking for roommates are also available at the University Housing Office. ■

