

Housing

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Quality residential living is an important, indeed an integral, part of the total educational experience at BYU, and students should carefully consider the accommodations available in view of the type of living experience they desire, the time they have available for activities within their housing situation, and their economic needs. Housing is available on campus and in the surrounding communities, and programs have been established within campus residence halls and with off-campus landlords to integrate living experiences with the total university educational program.

On-Campus Housing

On-campus housing includes room-and-board residence halls and apartment-style living for men and women, each directed by a competent resident adult, and family apartments. Assisting the hall advisor in room-and-board areas and the apartment-style living are several resident assistants—mature, advanced students who reside with the student group. Students are known personally by the staff and have someone available to assist with normal student problems.

The residence hall program is designed to provide experiences in self-government, sharing relationships, and other responsibilities that encourage maturity and independence.

All residents have access to CougarNet, which provides them with an e-mail address, Internet access, printing capabilities on campus network printers, file storage, and access to the library (BYLINE) and registration (AIM) databases.

Residence Halls for Men and Women

Board and room in **Helaman Halls** and **Deseret Towers** is provided for both men and women. Each hall contains student lounges; study rooms; shower and restroom areas; laundry and storage facilities. Reading and writing labs, as well as math and computer labs, are also provided in the central buildings and are staffed by teaching assistants. The central buildings for each complex feature spacious cafeterias, dining rooms, reception areas, offices, and mail service for the entire residence area. Recreational facilities include a swimming pool, sports courts, and large lawn areas.

Apartment Living for Men and Women

Heritage Halls provides apartment-style housing for both men and women. Most apartments have a combination kitchen-dining-study room, three bedrooms (designed for two people each), and a bath. Each building has a large lobby/living area, recreation room, laundry, and storage facilities. Apartments are furnished, except for bedding and kitchen items.

The Heritage Halls Central Building includes a resource center, staffed with specialists who are available to provide information and equipment for residents, and a computer lab, staffed by teaching assistants.

Residences for Families

Accommodations for 1,324 student families are provided at Wymount Terrace and Wyview Park, and each apartment is furnished with an electric or gas range, refrigerator, blinds, and garbage disposal. A limited amount of rental furniture is available from the Student Family Housing Office. Sports courts, access to the Deseret Towers and Helaman Halls swimming pools, children's playgrounds, and large lawn areas are also available. These apartments do not have washer/dryer hookups, but they do have self-service laundry facilities. A dairy products outlet is located at both Wymount Terrace and Wyview Park, and the Housing Office at Wymount Terrace has a computer lab.

Wymount Terrace is located on the northeast side of campus and has 898 one-, two-, and three-bedroom apartments. **Wyview Park** is located northwest of campus on University Avenue and has 426 two- and three-bedroom apartments.

Foreign Language Student Residence

The College of Humanities sponsors the Foreign Language Student Residence, located near the Missionary Training Center. Students pledge to speak only the foreign language in their apartment while they live and study together under the supervision of a faculty advisor and a native speaker.

All rooms are double rooms, and male and female students eat together, with the cost of some meals included in the fees. For details, write to the program coordinator of the Foreign Language Student Residence, 1102 JKHB, e-mail flsrdept@byu.edu.

Applications for Campus Housing

Students who plan to enroll at BYU and live in a university residence hall are advised to contact the Campus Accommodations Office (100 SASB) about a year in advance. As soon as the housing agreement is received, students should complete it, enclose the \$50 housing application fee and \$100 security deposit, and mail it back. The application fee is nonrefundable unless the student is not admitted to the university or campus housing. The *security deposit* is refundable (1) if the student is not admitted to the university or campus housing, (2) if cancellation is received before the deadline shown on the agreement, or (3) at the end of the agreement if there is no debt owing the university.

Agreements are processed according to the date they are received by the Campus Accommodations Office. Students should be prepared to live by the terms of the agreement once they have acquainted themselves with its terms, signed it, and returned it to the Campus Accommodations Office; this will avoid any possible misunderstanding or financial loss. Agreements are made for the academic school year.

For student family housing, the completed application must be returned with a nonrefundable \$25 application fee. Placement into on-campus housing is made according to the date the application or agreement is received by the Campus Accommodations Office.

Acceptance to the University: Validation of any campus housing reservation is contingent on the student's official acceptance and admission to the university.

Time of Arrival: Residence halls are not open to students before the announced opening date, which is usually the day before Orientation begins. The university does not advise students who are going to live on campus to arrive before that date.

Off-Campus Housing

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Brigham Young University is committed to creating an atmosphere conducive to intellectual and spiritual development for all of its students, including those who live off campus. The BYU Off-Campus Housing Office was established to assist in this task by:

1. Aiding students in locating off-campus housing.
2. Encouraging landlords to maintain and improve rental facilities.
3. Advising and giving counsel to students and landlords in their relationships with one another.
4. Attempting to ensure that BYU living standards are maintained off campus.

To help achieve these ends, single BYU students are required to live in university-approved housing (see below). At present, more than 22,000 rental spaces have been approved by the university for single students living off campus. For further information concerning off-campus rentals and BYU regulations, contact the Off-Campus Housing Office between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

BYU Housing Referral Service

The BYU Off-Campus Housing Office maintains a complete referral service for all university-approved rental facilities. Thousands of rental units of all types are available, including large apartment complexes, condominiums, duplexes, houses, basement apartments, and sleeping rooms. Some housing for families is also listed, although family student housing is not subject to university approval.

Detailed lists of current vacancies are available at the Off-Campus Housing Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Listings are also available at our Web site (listed above). A guide with housing tips and essential rental data on the large apartment complexes will be mailed on request and may also be found at our Web site. Consultants are also available to help students who have problems finding suitable off-campus housing.

University-Approved Housing

All BYU students are required to provide the local address where they reside (not a post office box) as part of the registration process. Unless specifically excused by the Off-Campus Housing Office, all single BYU students are required to live in university-approved housing either on or off campus. The requirement may be waived by the Off-Campus Housing Office for the following students:

1. Single parents with children.
2. Single students living with parents.
3. Single students who are in graduate school or 25 years of age or older.

4. Under certain conditions, as determined by the Off-Campus Housing Office, the university housing requirement may be waived for other students who have a special circumstance or hardship.

Hotels, motels, and studio apartments are not approved housing for single students. A studio apartment is a living unit that does not provide a separate bedroom but combines the living and sleeping area.

Students who do not provide their local address or who live in housing not approved by the university and who are not excused by the BYU Off-Campus Housing Office are subject to the following sanctions:

1. Future registration may be stopped, current registration may be discontinued, and activity card privileges may be withheld until the student verifies that he or she is living in or will be living in university-approved housing.
2. Students falsifying their addresses will be subject to the above consequences as well as disciplinary action by the university for Honor Code violations.

When a student has contracted to live in a facility not approved by the university and has not been excused from the university housing requirement, these sanctions will be applied even though the student's tenancy extends beyond the current semester or term in which the student is enrolled. A student in this situation will have to either move from the unapproved housing unit, regardless of the consequences, or forego registration and other privileges at the university until complying with this policy.

The university approves off-campus living units whose owners have agreed to:

1. Adequately separate single men and women.
2. Exercise reasonable efforts to maintain the BYU Residential Living Standards.
3. Maintain the facilities in good repair.
4. Not abuse basic tenant rights.

The university cannot guarantee that owners and managers are employing their best efforts to maintain our standards, that all residents are complying with BYU standards, or that approved living units always meet our physical criteria. Thus, students are individually responsible to carefully choose an acceptable apartment and compatible roommates. Students should, of course, inform the BYU Off-Campus Housing Office if they suspect that the standards and the physical criteria are not being maintained.

Because a student's living environment has a profound influence on academic performance and spiritual growth, BYU promotes an environment in approved off-campus housing facilities that is consistent with its mission and with the moral virtues taught by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Specifically, the BYU off-campus housing program *sets guidelines* for landlords and students, which, if followed, will cultivate that desired moral climate. BYU off-campus housing personnel attempt to rectify any deviations from these standards and policy guidelines.