LIVE WHERE YOU BELONG

HOUSING AT UC BERKELEY
In UC Berkeley housing, you’ll discover the benefits of sharing space with equally passionate and enthusiastic Golden Bears.

YOUR BEST START
Our residence hall and apartment communities provide a welcoming home where scholars create memories, share ideas, and grow alongside friends. With housing options for every need, there are many reasons why living in the residence halls is the most popular housing choice for newly-admitted students.

ADVANTAGES OF LIVING ON CAMPUS
Living on campus is an energizing experience that extends beyond the walls of any building and leads to greater academic success. In the past five years, 96 percent of entering freshmen and over a quarter of transfer students have chosen university housing and the benefits that come with it.

As you transition to life at college, you can make the most of Berkeley’s world-class education by choosing to live on campus and alongside your peers. You’ll experience:

- **Academic Advantages**
- **Simplicity and Convenience**
- **Community Connection**

Explore this brochure for an introduction to the locations, buildings, resources, and benefits offered by Cal Housing. Find the latest rates, room layouts, amenities, disability accommodations information, and much more at: [housing.berkeley.edu](http://housing.berkeley.edu).
THRIVE AT BERKELEY

Your undergraduate years at Berkeley will be memorable and exciting as you rise to new challenges and develop a college lifestyle that fits you and your goals. Living on campus provides you an easy, safe, and convenient support system, including academic centers, delicious dining options, and rates that are all-inclusive of residential services.

DISCOVER VALUABLE ACADEMIC ADVANTAGES

Learning happens everywhere, especially at Berkeley. As part of an engaged campus community, you’ll find abundant knowledge in chance encounters, conversations after class, and late-night study sessions. Living on campus puts you at the heart of that energy.

Study and learn in an environment that encourages productivity and challenges you to be your best self. Achieve your academic goals with invaluable on-site academic support and resources:

- Faculty in residence
- Computer stations with printers
- Tutoring and exam review sessions
- Flexible, late-night study spaces
- Free computer and technical support
- Dedicated academic programs and staff

ENJOY SIMPLICITY AND CONVENIENCE

As you live away from home in an unfamiliar environment, perhaps for the first time, there are many ways living on campus can make your transition to Berkeley easier. Plus with the short walking commute to classes, libraries, and countless student events, you’ll have more time for studying (and study breaks!)

Value and Convenience

- No large upfront deposit
- Financial aid awards can be applied
- Payments auto deducted from student account
- Contracts are for the academic year (no year-long leases required)
- No credit checks or cosigning
- No extra expenses if a roommate leaves
- Easy to apply!

Housing Rates Include:

- High speed Wi-Fi & Xfinity streaming TV
- Utilities: gas, electric, water, garbage, recycling, compost
- Flexible meal plans & on-site kitchens
- Furnished rooms & living spaces
- On-site fitness centers & recreation rooms
- Facilities & custodial staff
- Laundry centers, mail services, bike storage
- Professional live-in staff available 24/7
- Three tiers of secured entry & access for buildings

Dining That Fits Your Lifestyle
caldining.berkeley.edu

Cal Dining is ranked as one of the best dining programs in the country. Our chefs and dietitians take pride in what’s on your plate. You’ll find:

- Fresh, organic ingredients from local farms to your fork
- Innovative menus highlighting California’s diverse cultures and flavors
- Locations across campus to dine in, or grab and go
- Vegan, kosher, halal, gluten-free, and allergen-safe choices

COMMUNITY CONNECTION STARTS IN THE HEART OF BERKELEY

Living on campus provides a wonderful residential experience that connects you with the student community, helps you navigate life at Berkeley, and supports you as you find where you belong.

On-site activities create opportunities to make lifelong friends and explore new experiences. From movie nights to open mic’s, from late-night chats with your resident assistant to fireside chats with faculty in residence, you’ll find community right at your doorstep.
INCLUSIVE LIVING AT UC BERKELEY

Welcoming and inclusive spaces are part of campus housing.

**Theme Programs**
themeprograms.berkeley.edu

These are living-learning communities where students sharing a scholarly interest live together and participate in programs specially designed around the community theme.

The seven Theme Programs are:

- African American (AATP)
- Asian Pacific American (APATH)
- Casa Magdalena Mora (CASA)
- Global Environment (GETH)
- Native American (NATP)
- UNITY (LGBTQIA+)
- WISE: Empowering Womxn in STEAM*

Each program is a partnership between Residential Life and an academic department, and includes an academic seminar. Theme Programs have a public service and community development focus and many are founded on concepts of identity exploration and equity.

Students can apply for Theme Programs in the housing application. There are no additional fees for Theme Program housing.

*WISE welcomes all who experience life through the lens of womxn in body, spirit, identity—past, present, future, and fluid.

**Transfer Living and Learning Community**
transfers.berkeley.edu

A community for motivated transfer students of all backgrounds, majors, and experiences ready to cultivate strong relationships with their peers.

The program offers diversity of perspective for students to learn from each other and grow together. Contact the Transfer Student Center for details.

**Substance-Free Environment**
housing.berkeley.edu/unit1

Freeborn Hall (in Unit 1) is designated as a substance-free environment. Residents actively agree to keep the community free of alcohol as well as recreational and illegal drugs. The hall hosts substance-free programs, events, and activities.

**Accommodations and Identity-Based Needs**
housing.berkeley.edu/accommodations

UC Berkeley works with students to accommodate and support disability, religious, cultural, or gender identity-based needs. Visit the website or note your needs in your housing application to receive information.

**Bathroom Facilities for Every Need**

From all-gender to single-gender bathrooms, we have housing designed to address almost every need. You can select between floor-wide or semi-private suite bathrooms and preference single- or all-gender floor/bathroom on the housing application.
**RESIDENCE HALL OPTIONS**

Residence halls frame the boundary of campus on the north, east, and south sides. Ideal plans are included with residence hall contracts.

**SOUTH CAMPUS HOUSING**

Conveniently located one block from the south side of campus, these options provide extraradial residential hall experience in the urban heart of Berkeley. All- gender and single-gender floors are available.

**NORTH EAST CAMPUS HOUSING**

Three residence halls are located on the quieter, northeastern side of campus, nestled near the Berkeley Hills with ample access to green space.

**Wadla**

A mini-neighborhood on the northeastern side of campus with shared apartments. Features single-occupancy rooms.

**Blackwell Hall**

Large studio housing complex with an interior courtyard. Priority given to freshmen and continuing students. Premium-style rooms.

**EXPLORE CAMPUS HOUSING**

**RESIDENCE HALL + APARTMENT HOUSING OPTIONS**

These complexes offer a combination of traditional residence hall and apartment layouts. Meal plans are included with residence hall contracts and can be added to apartment contracts.

**Clark Kerr Commons**

A mini-neighborhood on the southeast side of campus, these options provide extraradial residential hall experience in the urban heart of Berkeley. All- gender and single-gender floors are available.

**APARTMENT HOUSING OPTIONS**

Apartment housing options are conveniently located a few blocks from the south side of campus. Undergraduate apartments are only available to transfer and continuing students. Meal plans are not included with apartment contracts, but may be purchased separately via Cal Dining.

**APARTMENT HOUSING OPTIONS**

**South Campus Housing**

Low-rise buildings clustered around two south-facing courtyards. Features flat and townhouse apartments with single- and double-occupancy rooms in two to three bedroom units.

**Exclere**

Studio- and one-bedroom apartments, cafes, shops, and bookstores. Features a Mission-style design with terraces, variety of single and double rooms in shared apartments.

**New Sequoia**

Designed for more independent living, apartments overlook Telegraph Avenue in the urban heart of Berkeley and have access to a shared internal courtyard. Features two to four bedrooms with single- and double-occupancy rooms.

**Housing in 2021-2022:**

Campus plans to offer in-person instruction and student housing are contingent upon continued evaluation of public health conditions and compliance with state and local public health requirements.
ENSURE YOU RECEIVE A HOUSING OFFER

All newly-admitted students will receive a housing contract offer for their first year provided they:

1. Meet all housing application and university deadlines.
2. Are flexible about housing preferences.

HOUSING ESSENTIALS

Use your CalNet ID to apply for housing after you accept your offer of admission. Students may choose a Full Academic Year or Spring-only contract. Summer housing options are available through a separate application. Most residence halls close over Winter Break.

First-year students will usually be offered a contract for a triple room, the most common occupancy option. Housing is increasingly available for continuing students: most who apply with flexible preferences will receive an offer. Berkeley continues to actively expand campus housing, with new buildings to open in 2020 and future years.

HOUSING APPLICATION TIMELINE

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*Sign-up information to select a move-in time slot will be emailed a few days before the deadline.

Note: Waitlisted students will be able to apply for housing. Their housing application deadline will be the same as the deadline to accept their offer of admission.

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