

## STUDENT HOUSING FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**1. How much does it cost to live on campus?**

The costs for the 2009-10 academic year are as follows (does not include June & July):  
\$800 for a single (two-bedroom) unit per month (\$4000 per semester)  
\$628 for a single (one-bedroom) unit per month (\$3140 per semester)  
\$536 for a double (two-bedroom) unit per month (\$2680 per semester/per person)

**2. How much is the deposit?**

You will need to send in \$150 with your housing contract. This deposit is refundable as long as there is no damage and you return your keys.

**3. If I submit a housing contract will I be guaranteed housing?**

Housing assignments are granted on a first come, first serve basis. Be sure to get your paperwork and deposit in as soon as possible.

**4. What is included in the monthly cost?**

Rent, utilities and wireless internet service are included in the monthly rate. Students are responsible for cable and phone service.

**5. When are my payments due?**

Students are required to pay by the semester at the beginning of each semester.

**6. Does financial aid cover the cost of living on-campus?**

Most loans that would cover on-campus housing should cover living in the apartments. You should review your loan requirements with the financial aid office.

**7. Are the apartments furnished?**

Yes, each unit is furnished. The dining rooms are equipped with a dining room table and chairs. The living room includes a couch, lounge chairs, coffee table, and end table. Each bedroom contains a twin size bed, a dresser, night stand, desk, and chair.

**8. Can I bring my own bed?**

Students are allowed to bring their own full or queen size bed. A \$40 charge will be assessed for moving and storage of the bed provided by NMC. This charge is assessed each time the student moves into an apartment.

**9. Can additional furniture be brought into the apartment?**

Additional furniture cannot be brought in. All furniture must stay in each unit since we do not have storage available for excess furniture.

**10. Can I rent a garage?**

Yes, you may rent a garage for an additional \$45 per month. Garages are assigned on a first come, first serve basis.

**Can I paint my apartment?**

No, you may not paint your apartment.

**11. Can I loft my bed?**

No, you may not build loft units for your bed.

**12. Can I have pets?**

No, pets are not allowed.

**13. How many square feet are the apartments?**

The one bedroom units range in size from 760 to 790 square feet. The average size of the bedroom is approximately 155 square feet and the living room is 212 square feet. The two bedroom units range in size from 960 to 1,000 square feet. The living room is approximately 265 square feet and the bedrooms are 125 and 155 square feet.

**14. How many people live in each apartment?**

We offer a combination of one and two bedroom apartments. The one bedroom apartments house one person and the two bedroom apartments house two people. Students who request a single two bedroom apartment will house one person.

**15. Are there washing machines available?**

Yes. All five buildings have washers and dryers.

**16. Do I have an assigned parking spot?**

No, you will not have an assigned parking spot; however, parking is available throughout the complex. Each resident is allowed to have one registered vehicle.

**17. If I am 21 years of age, can I drink alcohol in my apartment?**

The use and/or possession of alcohol is prohibited on campus.

**18. Can I smoke in my apartment?**

In accordance with Methodist Health System, smoking and the use of other tobacco products is prohibited in all public and private areas of the apartments.

**19. Will I be able to use the swimming pool?**

Yes, when the apartment complex opens the pool, you will have access to the pool. See the Campus Housing Handbook for further details.

**20. Can I have a grill on my balcony?**

No, due to safety issues gas or charcoal grills are not allowed on the balconies. There are grills available on the Josie Harper Campus and behind the Riley-Lienart Terrace.

**21. Do I need renter's insurance to insure my personal belongings?**

NMC does not accept liability for damage or theft of personal property of students living on campus. It is recommended that students carry renter's insurance to insure their personal belongings.

**22. Can I live on campus until I graduate?**

Housing contracts are signed on a yearly basis. You will be notified via mail. For further information, please see the Campus Housing Handbook.

**23. Is wireless internet provided?**

Wireless internet access is available in the rooms at no additional cost. In addition, you may use the computer lab in the Clark Center.

**24. Is housing available for married students and/or students with children?**

At this time, student housing is not available for married students or students with children. There are town homes available through the office of Whispering Pines.

**25. When will I find out if I am assigned an apartment and who is my roommate?**

You will be given the contact information of your roommate six to eight weeks prior to the move-in date.

**26. How are the apartments staffed?**

There are three Resident Assistants (RA) who are available to respond to your personal needs and concerns. They are on duty from 8pm-6am seven days a week. Additionally, the Housing Council is responsible for planning educational programs, managing the student housing finances and scheduling activities for students living on-campus.

**27. Can I have overnight guests?**

You are allowed unlimited overnight guests Friday and Saturday nights and an additional six nights through the remaining month. Guests staying more than two nights in a row are charged \$20 per night. See the Campus Housing Handbook for further details.

**28. Does security have a presence at night and on weekends?**

Yes, a security officer is on-site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Each building has secured access.

**29. What is the length of the housing contract?**

Housing contracts must be signed for either 10 months (does not include June or July) or 12 months. The 10-month contract is available only to students graduating in May or to freshman students.

**30. What happens if I break the contract because I no longer want to live on-campus?**

Once you sign the contract, you are held liable for all charges associated with the occupancy of the apartment for the entire length of the contract.