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APPLYING FOR HOUSING

It is recommended that students apply to Campus Housing as soon as they are accepted to UK. It is important to note that applying for admission to the University and applying for housing and the Living Learning Program (LLP) are separate processes.

On-campus housing will be provided for those who meet all University of Kentucky and Campus Housing qualifications and deadlines.

Questions regarding the housing application should be directed to Campus Housing, which processes housing applications, assigns students to residence hall rooms, and notifies students of assignments (see Contact Information at the end of this section).

Apply Online
Apply by logging into myUK using your Link Blue credentials. Select “Undergraduate Housing” on the “Student Services > myinfo” tab.

LIVING ON CAMPUS

The University of Kentucky has 17 residence halls and apartments designed in several different room types, including four-person suites, 2-bedroom suites, 4-bedroom suites, as well as 2-bedroom apartments and 4-bedroom apartments. The on campus residence halls and apartments house over 7,200 undergraduate students.

The residential setting at UK is intended to contribute to a student’s education by providing a living learning environment. There are several living learning communities within undergraduate housing. For more information about each living-learning community, visit the Living Learning Program website at: www.uky.edu/housing/

UK’s residence halls are the foundation upon which a solid college experience is built. Many current students believe that living in a residence hall is the best way to make friends, meet new people, and become involved in campus life. Studies on UK’s campus indicate that students who live on campus, particularly those in living learning communities, tend to have higher grade-point averages and have higher retention rates than students living off campus. Students are encouraged to apply to live on-campus during their sophomore, junior and senior years.

UK’s residence halls are staffed with professionally trained personnel, including full-time resident directors, hall directors, and resident advisors who live on each floor. The hall director and resident advisors assist in creating a safe, inclusive environment, helping students in their academic efforts, planning social and educational programs, and developing hall governments. Residents are encouraged to participate both within the hall and in the campus community.

All on-campus undergraduate residents are represented by the Resident Student Association, a group whose goal is to improve residence hall life by planning and directing social, educational and recreational programs, and by providing a unified voice for residents. The Resident Student Association is a member of the National Association of College and University Residence Halls (NACURAH, INC.), enabling interested residents to attend regional and national leadership conferences.

Room Assignments

Housing assignments are based on the application for admission track (Early Action or Regular Decision) and the student’s housing application completion date. Acceptance into a Living Learning Program designates the specific residence hall. Residents have the opportunity select their room through the online Room Selection process. Applying early for housing is strongly encouraged.

If housing demand exceeds capacity, students may be placed on standby for housing until a permanent room assignment can be made. Each year, a number of housing recipients do not come to school, or come but do not stay, creating vacancies.

Roommates

Students may request roommates on the housing application. Two students who wish to share a room must indicate each other as the preferred roommate and request the same room types and area of campus. Living Learning Program participants will be expected to room with another student in the same LLP community.

HOUSING

UK’s residence halls and apartments have many attractive features. Housing rates include utilities, cable television, computer network connection and furniture. All residence halls are staffed by hall directors and resident advisors. Each front desk has a staff member monitoring the lobby area 24/7. Security cameras are placed in many areas of the halls. Residence halls provide convenient access to laundry facilities, game and television rooms, vending machines, lounges, and study rooms. Dining facilities are close to all areas of campus. Smoking and other tobacco products are not allowed on UK’s campus. UK Housing policies and procedures apply to all residents who sign a contract and live in one of the residence halls or Greek facilities managed by the University.

UK’s campus covers many acres. Students and faculty refer to the areas of campus as north campus and central campus. UK’s residence halls are located in both areas, and apartments are on central campus.

Students should learn about the facilities and the various living learning communities available.

North Campus

The north campus consists of five residence halls: Blazer Hall, Boyd Hall, Holmes Hall, Jewell Hall, and Wildcat Coal Lodge. North campus halls are close to many classrooms, the UK Bookstore, Memorial Coliseum, Rupp Arena, Blazer Dining, Bowman’s Den, Singletary Center, downtown, many eclectic shops and restaurants, and the UK Student Center with new residential dining scheduled to open in spring 2018.

Central Campus

Central campus consists of five residence halls: Donovan Hall, Haggin Hall, Lewis Hall, Lyman T. Johnson Hall, and University Flats. These halls are considered centrally located because they are close to the Fresh Food Company at The 90, many classroom buildings, as well as the William T. Young Library and UK Hospital.

Central campus consists of 12 residence halls: Baldwin Hall, Donovan Hall, Haggin Hall, Ingels Hall, Johnson Hall, Lewis Hall, Smith Hall, Woodland Glen I, Woodland Glen II, Woodland Glen III, Woodland Glen IV, and Woodland Glen V. University Flats, with apartments for upper-class students, is also located here. These residential communities are located near the Fresh Food Company at The 90, William T. Young Library, the E. J. Nutter Field House and Training Facility, the Hilary J. Boone Tennis Center, Lancaster Aquatic Center, Shively Field at Cliff Hagan Stadium, Bernard Johnson Student Recreation Center, and Kroger Field – UK’s football stadium.
Office of Residence Life

The mission of the Office of Residence Life is to create inclusive residential communities that promote student learning and personal growth. In order to promote student learning and personal growth, the Office of Residence Life incorporates the following key factors for student success into all residential communities.

- Academic Achievement
- Inclusion/Sense of Belonging
- Safety/Wellness
- Service
- Civility

The Office of Residence Life hires and supervises the staff members who live and work in the facilities, including Resident Directors, Resident Advisors, Peer Mentors, Office Assistants and Desk Clerks. Each of these staff members receives extensive training in the management of undergraduate housing facilities and can be a valuable resource in meeting any need that a student might have.

The Office of Residence Life also coordinates the Living Learning Program. The communities in this program offer students the opportunity to interact more with faculty and access resources related to their academic or other interests. For general questions about the Living Learning Program or the Office of Residence Life, please contact:

Office of Residence Life
575 Patterson Office Tower
University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY 40506-0027
(859) 257-4784
email: residencelife@uky.edu
www.uky.edu/housing/

RATES

The cost for living in UK Housing is listed in the Fees section of this Bulletin.

Rate Changes

Rates are subject to change at any time before the beginning of the academic year, upon action by the Board of Trustees. Rates are normally established in May for the succeeding academic year.

CANCELLATIONS

If, after completing the housing application and the Housing and Dining Contract, a student chooses to cancel the Contract, the student is required to do so in writing to the Campus Housing office and UK Dining by email at ukhousing@uky.edu and contactukdining@lsv.uky.edu, through the University Housing Portal, or by mail to the following addresses:

- Housing Cancellations: Campus Housing 125 Funkhouser Bldg. Lexington, KY 40506-0054
- Meal Plan Cancellations: The 90, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506-0139

The Official Date of Cancellation will be the date the cancellation notification is received in the Campus Housing office and UK Dining. For information about refund schedule, cancellation dates, and other important facts, visit: www.uky.edu/housing/sites/www.uky.edu.housing/files/2017-18_Contract_and_Cancellation_Policy_0.pdf

Graduate and Family Housing

The University provides housing options for full-time graduate students, professional students, and non-traditional undergraduate students. Student families can apply for one or two bedroom apartments in Shawneetown or Greg Page. Single students can apply for one-bedroom and efficiency apartments in Shawneetown and Commonwealth Village. Efficiency, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom apartments are available at 625 S. Limestone. A limited number of two-bedroom townhomes are available at 633 Maxwelton Court. These options are primarily reserved for single professional students.

Furniture is provided in the Commonwealth Village, Greg Page, and Shawneetown apartment complexes. The rent rate in these complexes includes the utilities, basic cable television service, and Internet connectivity. Pay laundry facilities are available in all these communities. 625 S. Limestone and 633 Maxwelton Court are unfurnished complexes, some appliances may be provided however basic utilities, internet and cable television are not.

Telephone service is not provided in any apartment complex. Please visit our Web site to learn more about the amenities provided for each complex, rental rates and other important information. A parking permit must be purchased through UK Transportation Services for all properties.

For more information and to access our application, please visit us at: www.uky.edu/housing/ and then choose “Graduate & Family” or contact our office:

Graduate and Family Housing
300 Alumni Drive
Greg Page Apartments #156
Lexington, KY 40503
(859) 257-3721
fax: (859) 323-1900
email: ukaphousing@uky.edu

UK DINING

UK Dining is about more than just food. It’s an experience. It’s a community. It’s a place to meet friends, to unwind, to celebrate, and even to study. When you dine on campus you’re sure to eat well and be well-nourished so you can excel in your classes. And if there’s ever anything the dining team can do to make your experience better, just ask. State-of-the-art facilities, restaurants you know and love, and people that care about what you eat are all on campus at the University of Kentucky. Let’s eat.

Commitment to Nutrition

UK Dining is committed to providing you a broad selection of great tasting, nutritious food and beverages. UK Dining offers an on-site dietitian who is available for consultations. Email contactukdining@lsv.uky.edu to schedule a meeting. The menus are created by experienced chefs who have a passion for food, and recipes feature fresh fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean proteins, and low or nonfat dairy options. Visit the “Eat Well” section of the dining Web site to find a pocket Vegan and Vegetarian Guide, and a Dietitian’s Pick brochure. UK Dining also recognizes and accommodates special dietary needs in a personalized, sensitive manner, including developing a step-by-step guide: Your Guide to Managing Food Allergies & Celiac Disease, available on the dining Web site.
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**Restaurants**
The University of Kentucky features two large, all-you-care-to-eat restaurants where students utilize the “meals” from their meal plan. North campus and the academic neighborhood are closest to Blazer Dining, a campus favorite with traditional and cutting-edge selections. Central and south campus are closest to Fresh Food Company at The 90, a state-of-the-art facility with an open kitchen design and an innovative menu prepared right in front of you. Across campus UK Dining provides so many options that you know and love like Chick-fil-A, Starbucks, Panda Express, Taco Bell, local favorites Aqua Sushi and Common Grounds, Wildcat Pantry convenience stores, and much more. What you see in every restaurant is a host of people that care about how your day is going and want to make sure you get a great meal. They’re here because of you.

**Meal Plans**
Every student, whether you live on campus, walk to campus, or drive to campus has the benefit of saving money to get great food with a meal plan. All students living in a residence hall must choose a meal plan as part of the fall 2017-spring 2018 housing contract (All Access, Blue 14, Flexible 100, White 10, and Basic 7). All students living off campus can choose any of the traditional meal plans or plans created especially for their varied needs. A full list is available on the “Meal Plans” page of the dining Web site: www.uky.campusdish.com. Students can get advice on how best to utilize their plan and map out locations close to their classes by visiting the UK Dining Center on the top floor of The 90.

Meal plans include both “meals” and “Flex Dollars” –

**Meals:** With a meal plan you receive credit for all-you-care-to-eat meals at Blazer Dining and Fresh Food Company. This is where many students will eat the majority of their meals.

- To use a meal at one of these locations, simply present your WildCard ID to the cashier upon entering the restaurant.
- Each time you swipe your card a meal will be deducted from your remaining meals.
- Meals are reserved for the account holder. Some meal plans offer “guest meals” that can be used to treat friends, family, or even yourself.

**Wildcat Deals:** When a meal is used at a location other than Blazer Dining or Fresh Food Company it is referred to as a Wildcat Deal.

- Wildcat Deals are offered as a convenience and allow you to exchange a “meal” for a designated combo meal at a participating retail venue.
- Wildcat Deals are not meant to fully replace meals in residential dining.
- Wildcat Deals are only available to meal plan members.
- Participating retail venues are located on the dining Web site.

**Flex Dollars:** Flex Dollars supplement your meals and are included in each meal plan. Flex Dollars work just like a debit card and may be used at all UK Dining locations.

- Flex Dollars are not taxed at the time of your purchase.
- Flex Dollars can be added anytime in the semester and there is no fee to add Flex Dollars.
- Unused Flex Dollars will carry forward from fall to spring for students enrolled in the spring semester.

Meal plans are for the academic year. You will be automatically billed each semester. You will begin the spring semester on the same meal plan that you have at the end of the fall semester. Unused Weekly Meals cannot be refunded, accumulated, or carried over for the next week. Unused Block Meals cannot be refunded or carried over to the next semester. All Flex Dollars are non-refundable, non-transferable and expire at the end of the spring semester.

Meal plans save time and are less stressful. With a meal plan you don’t have to worry about preparing your own food. There isn’t the hassle of shopping, cooking, and cleaning after every meal. We’ve got you covered. When you don’t have to worry and are well-fed from a meal plan, you’re better nourished and have more energy. We want you to succeed at UK by offering a plan that fits your needs best.

For more information about UK Dining, please contact:

**UK Dining Center**
The 90, Second Floor
Phone: (859) 257-2220
email: contactukdining@lsv.uky.edu
www.uky.campusdish.com

**STUDENT PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS**

When parking on campus, students must purchase and properly display a University of Kentucky parking permit. Permit control signs at the entrance to each parking lot display the type of permit required and the hours when the lot is controlled for permits. Student permit types include residential, commuter, periphery (Stadium) and evening; permit sales will begin in Summer 2017, with an exact date to be announced on www.uky.edu/transportation.

The University of Kentucky has a robust and growing alternative transportation network that all students are encouraged to use, regardless of whether or not they choose to bring a personal vehicle to campus. In fact, less than half of students bring a vehicle to campus, a decision from which everyone benefits—our campus, our community and our environment. With a variety of car-free options readily available, it is easy to access campus and explore Lexington without a personal vehicle.

Parents and students can access information on topics related to bicycle parking, bus routes and schedules, parking, permit application, motorist assistance, and FAQs online at www.uky.edu/transportation. Additionally, students can conveniently register for and renew permits, check their license plate number for unpaid citations, and pay and appeal citations online. Check online for hours of operation and for information on satellite locations.

Periodically, Transportation Services sends vital information on campus transportation to parents and students who subscribe to Parking e-News and Bicycle e-News, the department’s email newsletters. Stay informed by signing up for Parking e-News and Bicycle e-News at www.uky.edu/transportation.

**Campus Buses & Shuttle Routes**

Over 40,000 people come to the University of Kentucky campus each day, and the free campus shuttle system helps them get around campus. All campus buses are equipped with wheelchair lifts, and most have bicycle racks.

All areas of campus are less than a 5 minute walk from a bus stop, providing easy access in either direction so that students and employees arrive at their destinations faster than it would take to walk the same distance. Buses serve stops every 7-10 minutes, with more frequent service during peak arrival times.

When the University is open but classes are not in session, campus transit will continue to operate with a reduced number of buses.

All campus routes—as well as the Red Mile (Lextran 15) service frequently used by the campus community—are viewable real-time on Transloc, UK’s GPS-based bus locating system. Transloc can be accessed at https://uky.transloc.com/ and via the free Transloc Rider Android, iPhone and Blackberry apps.

Route and schedule information is available at: www.uky.edu/transportation/buses-and-shuttles
Late Night Bus Service

Buses traverse campus throughout the day, but as night approaches, UK’s bus service becomes increasingly important from a safety perspective. Nighttime campus bus service operates until 5 A.M., Monday through Friday, and until midnight on Sunday. For information about late night bus service options, visit: www.uky.edu/transportation/buses-and-shuttles

Kentucky Wildcab

Kentucky Wildcab is a free, late night, on-demand transportation option for students, provided by Student Government and operated by students through Transportation Services. The service operates Thursday through Saturday from 10 P.M. to 3 A.M. during fall and spring semesters. Rides must be requested through the TransLoc Rider app. Get more information at: www.uky.edu/kentuckywildcab

Lexington Bus Service

Students ride all Lextran city routes FREE through the BluPass program. This allows students to commute to and from campus, run errands and go shopping. Students simply need to show their Wildcard ID to the bus driver on any of Lextran’s routes. For more information on Lextran routes and schedules, please visit www.lextran.com. For more information on BluPass, visit: www.uky.edu/transportation/alternative-transportation_blupass

Campus Shuttle to Blue Grass Airport

Transportation Services offers free shuttles to Blue Grass Airport at the start of Thanksgiving, Winter, and Spring Breaks with daily pick-up times of 6 A.M., 8 A.M., 10 A.M., noon, 2 P.M., 4 P.M. and 6 P.M. Students must make their own arrangements back to campus at the conclusion of the break. For more information, visit: www.uky.edu/transportation

Ride Home Express

Transportation Services offers an alternative travel option for students and employees in visiting a variety of destinations during academic breaks. The Ride Home Express operates at the start and end of Thanksgiving, Winter and Spring Breaks. For more information, visit: www.uky.edu/transportation

Bicycle Parking and Registration

The University of Kentucky recognizes bicycles as vehicles and encourages bicycling as a mode of transportation. In an effort to provide the campus community with a safe, secure, and efficient cycling environment, the University requires bicyclists to observe established regulations for operating and parking bicycles and campus and strongly encourages cyclists to obtain and display a bicycle permit, available at no charge. For more information, visit: www.uky.edu/transportation

Bicycles may only be parked at bicycle racks, located at all residence halls, classroom buildings, and throughout campus. This means that bicycles may not be parked on benches, railings, trees or anything other than a bike rack. Parking at locations that are not bike racks poses a number of safety issues, and bikes parked in such a manner may be cited or impounded.

All Lextran and some campus buses are equipped with bicycle racks for your convenience.

Bicycling on Campus and Beyond

Biking as a mode of transportation has a number of advantages: it’s good for you and the environment, saves you money and is often faster than other ways of getting around. The University of Kentucky is committed to educating its community about safe bicycling practices and improving bicycle facilities on campus through the Bicycle Advisory Committee. To learn more about these efforts and about upcoming BAC events, visit: www.uky.edu/transportation/BAC

Here is a list of campus and community bike resources to help you get started on two wheels:

- Transportation Services’ Bike Info: www.uky.edu/transportation/alternative-transportation_bicycle-information
- Wildcat Wheels Bike Library: www.uky.edu/sustainability/wildcat-wheels
- Campus Bicycle Route Map: https://maps.uky.edu/bicycle
- State Bike-Related Traffic Laws: www.lrc.state.ky.us/kar/601/014/020.htm

Guest Parking

Family and friends visiting campus during the week may pay to park in the Sports Center Garage (PS #7, near Kirwan-Blanding), in the South Limestone Garage (PS #5, next to Kennedy’s Wildcat Den), or at parking meters. Guests or the students they are visiting may also stop by Transportation Services, located in the Press Avenue Garage (PS #6), at the corner of Press and Virginia Avenues, to obtain a temporary parking pass. After hours and on weekends, visitors can also park in lots not controlled for permits. A permit control sign at the entrance to each parking lot displays the hours when the lot is being controlled for permits.

Football Game Day Parking Relocation

Vehicles parked at Kroger Field and in the Sports Center Drive Lots must be removed from any stadium parking lot before 7 A.M. on the day of a home football game. No parking is permitted on University Drive after 7 A.M. on days of home football games. Failure to move any vehicle from the stadium parking lots could result in a citation and impoundment at the owner’s expense.

Vehicles may be moved to most game lots after 3:30 P.M. on Friday and should be returned to Kroger Field by 5 A.M. on Monday. Specific lot relocation information, please refer to the Football Game Day Parking map located at: www.uky.edu/transportation/alternative-transportation_football-game-day-parking

Motorcycles and Motor Scooters on Campus

Scooters, motor scooters and motorcycles are required to obtain a parking permit from Transportation Services and utilize motorcycle parking areas on campus. These areas are conveniently located throughout campus and are marked by the presence of signage, green lines or both.

Scooters, motorcyclists and mopeds are not authorized to park at bicycle racks, or in any area that is not listed above. This policy is designed to encourage safe operating and parking procedures for these vehicles and free up bicycle parking areas for bicycle-only parking.

Additionally, scooters, motorcycles and mopeds are not permitted to drive or travel on sidewalks, bike paths or lawns.

Off-Peak Permits

Parking on campus does require a valid University permit until 7:30 P.M. in most instances. However, any valid permit can be used in most Employee (E) lots after 3:30 P.M. as a general rule of thumb. Refer to the permit control sign at the entrance to each parking lot for specifics. Students who choose to operate a vehicle on campus during evening hours as a safety measure, and don’t have another valid University parking permit, may consider the off-peak parking permit as an option. This permit is offered at a reduced rate compared to other student permits, and is valid in most campus lots after 3:30 P.M.

Motorist Assistance

Transportation Services has developed a motorist assistance program for students and employees who have valid parking permits, which includes free on-campus battery jump-start service 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Additionally, the University offers other motorist assistance services at a discounted rate to valid UK parking permit holders. For more information, visit: www.uky.edu/transportation/help-and-resources_motorist-assistance
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For More Information
Contact us at:

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721 Press Avenue
(800) 441-0555 or (859) 257-5757
www.uky.edu/transportation
www.twitter.com/UKParking