

UTM Residence Application Guide

2023 - 2024

Follow us on social media! @UTMResidence



ive near

Land Acknowledgment:

Leaving home for education is a major, transformative experience for any student. We recognize that in Canada, this experience carries in part the history and legacy of the residential schools system, that Indigenous peoples, settler Canadians, and newcomers must face together, as we all live in this place. In committing to diversity and inclusion, we hope to commit to the idea that UTM residence will be a community where students recognize and support the many origins of their peers, and the many destinations to which their living and learning will take them.

We wish to acknowledge this land on which the University of Toronto operates. For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and the Mississaugas of the Credit. Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.





We are excited to welcome new UTM students from around the world this coming Fall. Residence at UTM is exciting and vibrant where international and domestic students are welcomed in a supportive and engaging community.

Our campus is beautiful with 225-acres of protected greenbelt along the Credit River with an abundance of nature, trails and outdoor space. This green campus is close enough to access everything downtown Toronto has to offer.

Living in residence at UTM has a real impact on first-year students' retention to second year and persistence to graduation. We provide academic workshops & seminars and facilitated study groups directly in residence.

Community is central to everything we do. We will help you make friends, develop connections in your academic program, and ensure you have engaging first year experience.

We are eagerly planning for your arrival and we look forward to 'Welcoming you Home' in the Fall!

Have a safe summer!

Brian Cunha Director, Student Housing & Residence Life

Table of Contents

- **4** On/Off-Campus Comparison Chart
- 5 First Year Guarantee
- 6 How to Apply & Accepting Your Offer
- **8** Room Comparison Chart
- **9** Housing Styles
- **13** Campus Map
- **15** Housing Fees
- **17** Living Learning Communities
- **18** Get Involved in Residence
- **19** Support in Residence
- 21 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)
- **22** Dates & Deadlines



HOW TO APPLY

On/Off Campus Comparison Chart, Residence Guarantees, How to Apply



On/Off-Campus Comparison Chart

	On-Campus Housing	Off-Campus Housing
Ease of Search		×-/////
Access to Live- In Support		
On-Campus		/
Trustworthy Landlord	University Landlord	Unknown
Monthly Rent Payments	2 Installments Housing Fees see pg.15	
Meals Supplied	Meal Plan see pg. 21	
All Inclusive (Utilities, Furniture, etc)		×
Contract Length	8-month Academic Year contract with re- application for 4-month Summer Housing	12-month contract
Experience	 Access to a Don & 24/7/365 support REF Program & academic support Community building & living with other first year students Connections with faculty Residence Council Events: Orientation, ARTSFest, Colman Cup, World Cafe, Spooktacular Volunteer opportunities & getting involved: Work Study, Residence Student Staff, Residence Committees, and Student Housing Advisory Committee Get Involved in Residence see pg.18 	

First Year Guarantee

How to Apply

Applying for Residence is easy! Complete these three steps to be qualified for residence:

- 1. Complete Step 1: The Residence Guarantee Application on residence.utoronto.ca
- 2. Receive and accept your offer of admission to the University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM).
- This step will be emailed to you once you accept your UTM offer. Complete Step 2: The UTM Undergrad Academic Year 2023 - 2024 Application on StarRez (<u>residence.utoronto.ca</u>). To submit your application, you will be asked to pay a \$350 non-refundable and non-transferable application fee.

More information on applying can be found here: www.utm.utoronto.ca/housing/applying

When you get an offer of residence on June 16, 2023, you will accept it through these steps:

Accepting Your

Offer

- 1. Log on to StarRez (residence.utoronto.ca)
- Visit Step 2: the UTM Undergrad Academic Year 2023 - 2024 Application and go to "Application Offer"
- 3. Accept your offer and pay the \$1,650 acceptance deposit by July 4, 2023.

The acceptance deposit is applied towards the total cost of living in residence and is non-refundable and non-transferable. Residence fees are applied to the students ACORN in two installments with the first installment due by September 30, 2023 and the second installment due by November 30, 2023.





Residence is guaranteed for all new full-time students entering their first year of University in an undergraduate program for the first time, provided they have completed Step 1: The Residence Guarantee application by March 31. Additionally, the student must have received and accepted an offer of admission to the University of Toronto Mississauga by June 1, and completed Step 2: The UTM Undergrad Academic Year 2023 - 2024 Application by June 8, 2023. In addition to meeting the above deadlines the student must meet all residence eligibility requirements.

Room Comparison Chart

RESIDENCE STYLES

Room Comparison Chart, Housing Styles, Campus Map, Housing Fees



	Traditional Style	Premium Townhouse Style			Suite Style		Townhouse Style	
	OPH	MC	PP	LL	MV	EH	RH	SW
Total # of Beds	~400	~140	~100	~130	~80	~260	~180	~25
Undergraduate								O
First Year					\bullet			
Upper Year						lacksquare		
Room Style	Single	Single	Single	Single	Single/ Super Single	Single/ Super Single/ Double	Single	Single
Shared bathroom with X other people	1	3	3	3	1	2-3	1	3
In-Suite Kitchen/Living Room								
Shared kitchen with building	•							
Study room(s)								
Common room(s)								
Wireless Internet								
Laundry facilities								
Accessible units available	\bullet							
Utilities included (heat/ water/electricity)	•			\bullet				
Meal plan required								
Microwave permitted in unit								
Smoke free								
Carpeted flooring					\bullet			
Laminate flooring								
Legend: 🕈 Yes	O S	ome						8

Housing Styles

Erindale Hall Double - Suite Style \$8,852

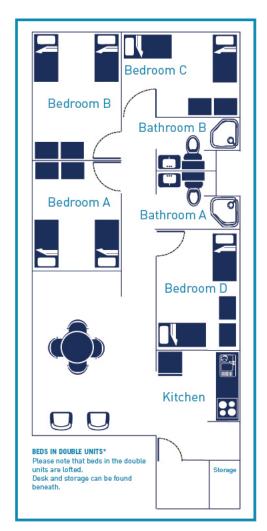
Amenities

- Shared bedroom with one person
- Shared bathroom with three people
- Living room, kitchen, storage room in house
- Common room & laundry facilities in building
- Furniture in bedroom: 2 lofted beds with mattress, 2 desks, 2 desk chairs, 2 closets
- Furniture in unit: lounge chairs, dining room table with chairs, side table, oven/ stove, fridge, deep freezer
- Note: Lofted beds contain a bed on the top bunk and a desk underneath
- Bed Size: 38"x80"

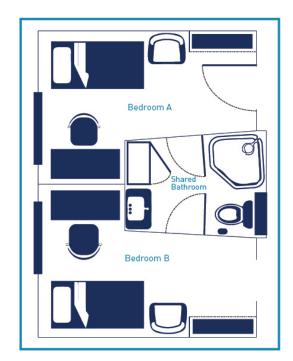
Super Single - Suite Style \$13,607

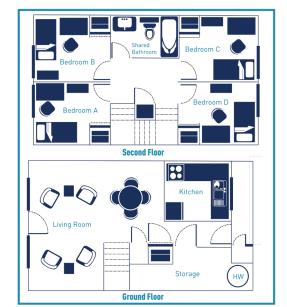
Amenities

- Single bedroom with two sets of furniture
- Shared bathroom with three people
- Living room, kitchen, storage room in house
- Common room & laundry facilities in building
- Furniture in bedroom: 2 lofted beds with mattress, 2 desks, 2 desk chairs, 2 closets
- Furniture in unit: lounge chairs, dining room table with chairs, side table, oven/ stove, fridge, deep freezer
- Note: Lofted beds contain a bed on the top bunk and a desk underneath
- Bed Size: 38"x80"



Student Housing & Residence Life reserves the right to convert Super Single bedrooms (single occupancy) into double occupancy rooms if necessary due to the number of applications, the provincial housing crisis, or other contributing factors.





Housing Styles

Oscar Peterson Hall Single - Traditional \$13,607

Amenities

- Single bedroom
- Shared bathroom with one person
- Common room & laundry facilities on each floor
- Community kitchen on 6th floor
- Accessible units available
- Furniture in bedroom: XL twin bed with mattress, desk, desk chair, dresser & lounge chair
- Bed Size: 38"x80"

SchreiberwoodMcLuhan CourtSingle - TownhouseSingle - Premium Townhouse\$11,847\$13,739

Amenities

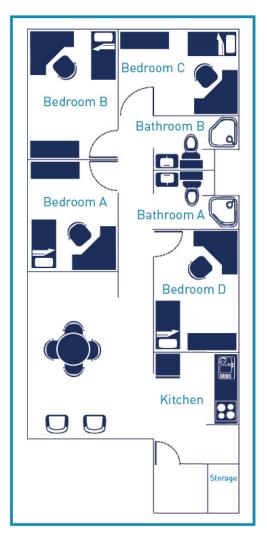
- Single bedroom
- Shared bathroom with three people
- Living room, kitchen, storage room in house
- Common room & laundry facilities in residence area
- Furniture in bedroom: XL twin bed with mattress, desk, desk chair, closet
- Furniture in unit: lounge chairs, dining room table with chairs, side table, oven/ stove, fridge
- Bed Size: 38"x80"
- McLuhan Court is renovated with newer furniture & appliances and laminate flooring

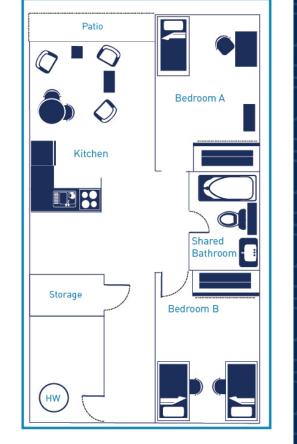
Housing Styles

Roy Ivor Hall Single - Suite Style \$13,607

Amenities

- Single bedroom
- Shared bathroom with one person
- Living room, kitchen, storage room in house
- Laundry facilities in residence area
- Furniture in bedroom: XL twin bed with mattress, desk, desk chair, closet
- Furniture in unit: lounge chairs, dining room table with chairs, side table, oven/ stove, fridge
- Bed Size: 38"x80"





Student Housing & Residence Life reserves the right to convert Super Single bedrooms (single occupancy) into double occupancy rooms if necessary due to the number of applications, the provincial housing crisis, or other contributing factors.

Housing Styles

MaGrath Valley Single - Premium Townhouse

\$12,930

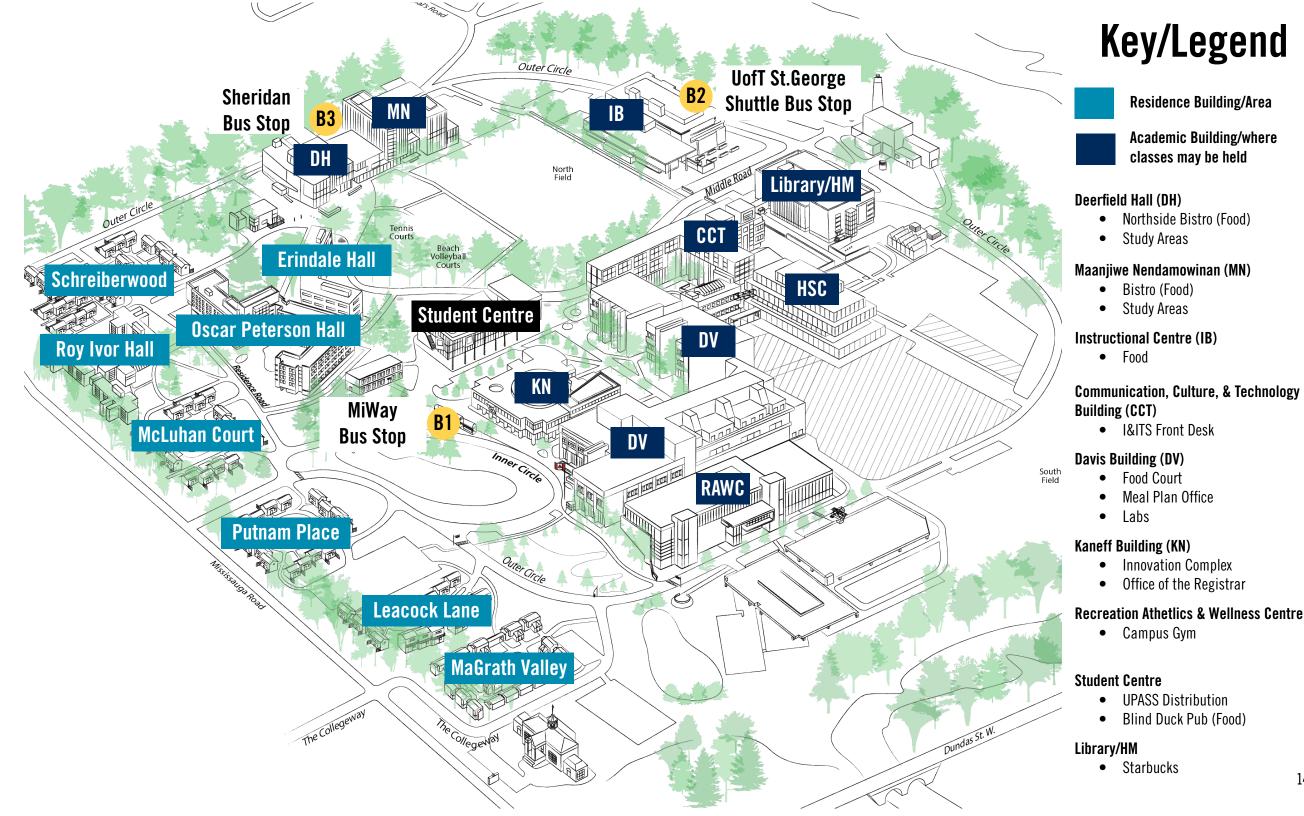
Amenities

- Single bedroom
- Shared bathroom with one person
- Living room, kitchen, storage room in house
- Common room & laundry facilities in residence area
- Furniture in bedroom: mix of XL twin beds & double beds with mattress, desk, desk chair, dresser
- Furniture in unit: lounge chairs, dining room table with chairs, side table, oven/ stove, fridge

Super Single - Premium Townhouse \$12,930

Amenities

- Single bedroom
- Shared bathroom with one person
- Living room, kitchen, storage room in house
- Common room & laundry facilities in residence area
- Furniture in bedroom: 2 lofted beds, 2 desks, 2 desk chairs, one dresser, one closet
- Furniture in unit: lounge chairs, dining room table with chairs, side table, oven/ stove, fridge
- Note: Lofted beds contain a bed on the top bunk and a desk underneath
- Bed Size: 38"x80"



Housing Fees

The residence fees shown below are for the Academic Year (September - April). The total amount is not inclusive of Meal Plan and includes ResCouncil fees. Your first installment is due September 30, 2023 and the second installment is due November 30, 2023.

Style of Residence	1st Installment	2nd Installment	Total		
Super Single - Suite Erindale Hall	\$8,173.00 \$5,434.00		\$13,607		
Double - Suite Erindale Hall	\$5,320.00	\$3,532.00	\$8,852		
Single - Premium Townhouse MaGrath Valley	\$7,766.80 \$5163.20		\$12,930		
Super Single - Premium Townhouse MaGrath Valley	\$7,766.80	\$5163.20	\$12,930		
Single - Premium Townhouse McLuhan Court	\$8,252.20	\$5,486.80	\$13,739		
Single - Traditional Oscar Peterson Hall	\$8,173.00	\$5,434.00	\$13,607		
Single - Suite Roy Ivor Hall	\$8,173.00	\$5,434.00	\$13,607		
Single - Townhouse Schreiberwood	\$7,117.00	\$4,730.00	\$11,847		
Less \$350 Application Fee Paid Plus Meal Less \$1,650 Acceptance Deposit Paid Total includes ResCounc					

We recognize that the deadlines for our application fee and acceptance deposit may not match the administrative timelines for students who receive Band Funding. If this is the case, and you may experience difficulties meeting these deadlines, please contact our Residence Services Desk (<u>resdesk.utm@utoronto.ca</u>) so we can assist you in waiving the immediate payment of these fees. Learn more here: <u>https://uoft.me/resbandfunding</u>





ENHANCE YOUR EXPERIENCE

Living Learning Communities, Get Involved in Residence, Support in Residence

Living Learning Communities

Get Involved in Residence

A student's academic transition to the University will be supported by being an active participant in the residence community. We offer 7 unique First Year Living Learning Communities that provide a student access to live in the same community as peers enrolled in similar courses.

You will be able to indicate your interest to live in an LLC and fill out the supplementary application in Step 2: the UTM Undergrad Academic Year 2023 - 2024 application.

What do you have access to in an LLC?

- Faculty Field Trips
- Academic Meet-Ups
- LLC PF one on ones
- Monthly developmental workshops tailored to your needs
- Marquee LLC specific events
- Community Service Learning experiences
- Alumni connection

The LLCs we currently offer are :





Residence at UTM offers a variety of programming including social activities, cultural events and educational opportunities. We encourage you to take advantage of residence as more than just a place to live and find the right balance of involvement to support your interests and complement your academic experience.

Committees:

- Artistic Resource Team
- Colman Cup Committee
- Equity Outreach Network
- Student Housing Advisory Committee (SHAC)
- Residence Council

Events:

- Spooktacular
- Orientation Week
- Frost Week
- ARTsFest
- ResCouncil Events
- World Cafe
- Colman Cup Bash









Support in Residence



Residence Support

Our student leaders are trained to support students academically and socially as they navigate their first year. They provide programming and assistance as listed below:

- Residence Services Desk
 - Packages
 - Resource rentals
 - Residence keys
 - General inquiries
 - Facilities support, etc...
- On-Call support: after hours emergency support
- Academic Support through our Residence Education Facilitator (REF) Program. Learn more here: <u>uoft.me/REF</u>
- One-on-one meetings with student staff
- Residence Education Facilitator Workshops
- Faculty Connections & Faculty Field Trips
- House Meetings
- Community building and Community Gatherings
- Leadership Opportunities
- Residence Committees & Residence Wide Programming

Mixed Gender Housing

Diversity is an important part of the cultural landscape at UTM, and we consider gender diversity to be an important aspect of this. We believe that students deserve to live in a housing arrangement that is inclusive of their gender identity. In the interest of creating an equitable and inclusive community, the Department of Student Housing & Residence Life is happy to offer mixed-gender housing options for students. Mixed-gender housing is available for all students, including those who feel that their gender identity or gender expression is not represented in the traditional male and female housing arrangements that are typical of most campuses.

In the residence application, all students have the option to select their gender - but are not required to. Students also have the option to select a Same-Gender Housing arrangement or a Mixed-Gender Housing arrangement.

- Same-Gender Housing: will include 1-7 roommates who also select the same gender
- Mixed-Gender Housing: could include 1-7 roommates with any gender

Your selection does not impact the community you are assigned to; mixed and same gender units are located in all residence communities.

Personalized Accommodations

Students with accessibility needs in residence must complete the Personalized Accommodation Request Form to make requests. Examples of accommodation needs include, but not limited to:

- Physical Accommodations (ex. barrier free units, vision/hearing impaired fire safety features etc)
- Dietary Accommodations
- Medical or Mental Accommodations

Accommodation here refers to our ability to accommodate accessibility needs. Please note that preferences are NOT accommodation requests. Documentation may be required for any requests. Submitting accommodation requests do not guarantee a space in residence. Students who require a Personalized Accommodation Request must indicate this within the StarRez application by the June 8th, 2023 deadline.



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Can I request my roommates?

No, unfortunately first-year students do not have the option to select roommates.

Am I guaranteed to get my preferred housing style? We do our best to accommodate your top choices, but no, this is not guaranteed.

I am on the wait list. When will I get an offer of residence?

That depends on if/when students cancel their offers of residence. You receive a weekly wait list update email throughout the summer and school year.

I have medical/accessibility needs that require a particular room style/modification to my space. What should I do?

We will work with you individually to best accommodate your needs. Please submit the Personalized Accommodation Request within the StarRez application by the June 8th, 2023 deadline. The accommodation process is not intended to address transition-related stress, and you are not guaranteed a space by completing the request form. It is also encouraged to contact Accessibility Services if you need further assistance. If you have any questions, please call 905-569-4699 or email <u>access.utm@utoronto.ca</u>.

What should I bring to residence?

We recommend students to bring only the essentials they may need here in residence. There are many grocery stores, shopping malls, and places to buy additional items to make your new home nice and cozy! Find out more on our preparation checklist here: <u>https://uoft.me/utmresprepchecklist</u>

Am I required to have a meal-plan in residence?

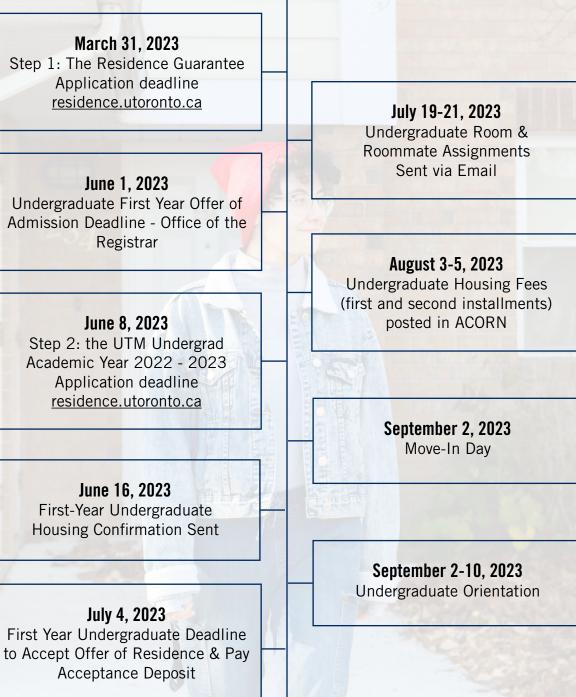
Yes, regardless of the style of housing you receive, all students in residence must have a Student Meal Plan. A Student Meal Plan ensures your dining requirements are covered for the academic year, allowing you to focus on other activities that will help you succeed at UTM. If you have questions about what meal plan is best for you, we recommend that you visit the Student Meal Plan website (<u>utm.utoronto.ca/hospitality/StudentMealPlans23-24</u>) or contact the Hospitality & Ancillary Services office at <u>mealplan.</u> <u>utm@utoronto.ca</u> or by phone at 905-569-4795.

I want to cancel my application/offer. Will I get my money back?

It depends on the date that a student cancels and what stage of the application/offer process they are in. The deadline to withdraw without being held financially responsible for your room is August 3, 2023. Please note that the application fee is non-refundable and non-transferable after June 1, 2023 for Category A(i) applicants as indicated in the Occupancy Agreement which can be found here: <u>https://www.utm.utoronto.ca/housing/applying/forms-documents</u>. The \$350 application fee and \$1,650 acceptance deposit are non-refundable and non-transferable.

How will I be able to build community and make friends in residence?

Our residence staff members are working hard to ensure students feel connected, engaged, and academically supported in their residence communities through fun, virtual events and, where possible in compliance with public health directives, small in-person activities. Learn more about our events and committees on page 18.



Dates & Deadlines

Contact Us

Email: resdesk.utm@utoronto.ca Phone: 905.828.5286 Mailing Address: UTM Student Housing & Residence Life Oscar Peterson Hall, Suite 120 3359 Mississauga Road Mississauga, Ontario L5L 1C6



Scan the QR code to view this App Guide digitally

