

A Guide to Living in University Residences

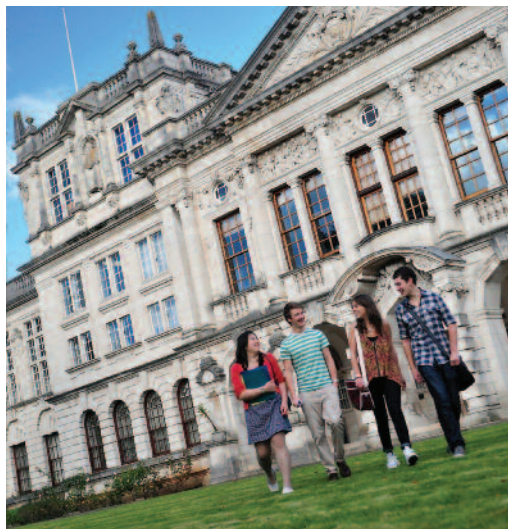
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Introduction



For the majority of you, attending university will mean living away from home for the first time. Settling in and making friends are important first steps at the start of your university life.

Living in University residences gives you an ideal opportunity to meet people from different backgrounds studying a wide range of subjects.

A Guarantee of Residence: Undergraduate

All students entering through the normal admissions cycle are guaranteed a single occupancy place in University Residences provided that they meet certain deadlines. While this guarantee does not extend to the small number of applicants who come through the clearing process, we will make every effort to provide such students with suitable accommodation.

Postgraduate

All international/EU students are guaranteed a single occupancy place in University Residences, provided they meet certain deadlines. This includes making a non-refundable pre-payment.

Choice

There are a variety of residences, many with ensuite bathroom facilities within each single occupancy study bedroom and most are situated within a short walk or cycle ride of the academic buildings, the University Students' Union and Cardiff's magnificent civic centre. If you are made an offer to study at Cardiff University, you will be sent details of how to apply for University Residences online. As far as possible, the University aims to give you a choice of residence, however, obtaining your higher preferences cannot be guaranteed.

Disability/medical information

Some residences have been specifically adapted for students with a disability/medical condition. We are also willing to make reasonable adjustments for disabled students.

Welsh speakers

Some of the flats at Senghennydd Court and Talybont North are reserved for Welsh speakers and learners of Welsh who wish to be grouped together.

Families and couples

A very limited number of University flats and bedsitters are available for students in their first year of study.

Private accommodation

We can also offer help to students seeking accommodation in the private sector and maintain regularly updated lists of flats and houses.

Places to eat

Reasonable priced meals and snacks are available at coffee shops and restaurants across the campus and in the Students' Union.

Sport

The University offers a combination of facilities and a diverse range of sports clubs giving students the opportunity to pursue formal and informal sporting interest at three sites across the University campus.

THRIVE

meet the students

A few of our insiders reflect back on what living in halls was like for them:



Dan: Colum Road

"Living in University accommodation has plenty of great points as well as no complicated bills (everything is included in 3 easy payments) and if any problems arise you can deal with the university directly, not landlords. I lived in Colum Road. Everybody passed here on their way to lectures, which meant I got 10 minutes extra sleep in the morning!"



Aimee-Louise: Talybont Court

"Living in Talybont Court was great; it's close to the social, sports centre and only about a 10 minute walk to the university. Living in halls is an amazing experience and you meet so many new people. The payments are really simple, just 3 payments in a year and no bills on top and if you have any problems you can just pop down to reception and they get them sorted really quickly. "



Freya: Talybont South

"Moving into halls of residence is the best possible thing a new student in a new city can do. Living in Talybont South you have 20-something other houses to go and visit and the social and the sport centre, so there was always plenty of entertainment. I can't really put into words what a good time I had in halls, all I can say is that I strongly recommend it!"

Find out more from them and our other Insiders now online at www.cardiff.ac.uk/thrive

Aberconway Hall

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	NO
Couples	NO
Families	NO
Main Building	0.5 miles

Aberconway Hall is situated next to Cardiff Business School and is only a short walk from the Humanities Building, Cardiff Law School and the Main Campus. The hall is made up of flats for 3-6 students.

Facilities:

- 72 single occupancy study bedrooms with shared bathroom facilities (mostly shared between each pair of rooms)
- Self-catered, grouped into flats of 3-6 students
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- Wheelchair accessible accommodation on the ground floor
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Laundry

Nearest:

- Shop:**
Maindy Road
- Fast food:**
City Centre
- Bar:**
Students' Union
- Sports facilities:**
Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre
- Bicycle sheds:**
Colum Hall

“Aberconway Hall is situated very close to necessary amenities. It only takes 5 minutes to reach shops or bars and transport facilities are nearby as well. The living environment is good and it's easy to socialise and find people who share common interests.”

Ayasta Pokharel



Aberdare Hall

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	YES
Couples	NO
Families	NO
Main Building	0.2 miles
Heath Park Campus	1.5 miles

Aberdare Hall is a traditional women's hall adjacent to the main campus and offers both catered and self-catered accommodation. Built in 1893, the hall retains many interesting period features and a semblance of Victorian charm.

Facilities:

- 132 single occupancy study bedrooms with shared bathroom facilities
- Self-catered and catered
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Music library
- Gardens
- TV lounge/common room
- Laundry
- Common Room Student Society
- Bicycle sheds

Nearest:

Shop:

Maindy Road

Fast food:

City Centre

Bar:

Students' Union

Sports facilities:

Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre

“I really enjoyed the communal living with fellow students and the variety of people you live with. It is very easy to meet new people, and the fact that Aberdare Hall is catered is particularly helpful in this way. It is in a great location - only 5 minutes from the Students' Union and 10 minutes from the city centre.”

Vanessa Platt



Cartwright Court

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	NO
Couples	YES
Families	YES
Main Building	1 mile
Heath Park Campus	1.5 miles

Cartwright Court is a self-catered hall located in a residential area. The hall accommodates 172 students.

Facilities:

- 15 flats each with 6 single occupancy study bedrooms and shared bathroom facilities (shared between each pair of rooms)
- 16 houses each with between 4 and 6 single occupancy study bedrooms, with shared bathroom facilities
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- 4 flats for students who wish to bring their families
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Laundry

- Bicycle sheds
- 45 parking spaces

Nearest:

Shop:
Crwys Road

Fast food:
Crwys Road

Bar:
Crwys Road

Sports facilities:
Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre

“It is very easy to meet and get to know people. The rooms were comfortable, clean and enjoyable to live in.”
Lavonah L. Dithlako



Colum Hall

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This is a self-catered hall situated opposite Cardiff Business School and a short walk from the Main Campus area. The hall is divided into 14 flats, each providing accommodation for 8 students.

Facilities:

- 112 single occupancy study bedrooms
- All rooms have ensuite toilet/shower facilities
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- Self-catered, grouped into flats of 8 students
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Bicycle sheds

Nearest:

Shop:

Maindy Road

Fast food:

City Centre

Bar:

Students' Union

Sports facilities:

Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre

Laundry:

Aberconway Hall

“Colum Hall was great as I liked being in the middle of the student area and it meant I was able to meet lots of new people. The facilities are good and I had everything I needed. It is in the perfect location, with nearby shops and pubs and the city is a 10 minute walk away. Colum Hall is an experience like no other!”

Vini Holden



Gordon Hall

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	NO
Couples	NO
Families	NO
Main Building	0.5 miles

Gordon Hall is a part-catered hall. It is a small hall located in a residential area and is particularly convenient for those studying Mathematics, Physics and Astronomy, Engineering or Computer Science.

Facilities:

- 80 ensuite single occupancy study bedrooms
- 11 single occupancy study bedrooms with shared bathroom facilities
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- Evening meals provided Monday to Friday during term time at the nearby Trevithick restaurant in the Queen's Buildings
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Laundry

- Bicycle sheds
- 23 parking spaces

Nearest:

Shop:

Salisbury Road

Fast food:

City Centre

Bar:

Students' Union

Sports facilities:

Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre

“At Gordon Hall you're only 5 minutes walk away from the city centre and 10 minutes away from the Students' Union so everything you need is literally on your doorstep! Everyone talked to everybody else and eating dinner together meant it was very easy to meet new people. I made some of my best friends at Gordon Hall!”

Emma Harris



Hodge Hall

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Undergraduate	NO
Postgraduate	YES
Couples	NO
Families	NO
Main Building	0.25 miles
Heath Park Campus	1.5 miles

Hodge Hall offers self-catered accommodation for postgraduate students only. It is a small hall accommodating only 60 students and is close to the Main Campus.

Facilities:

- 12 flats each with 4-6 single occupancy study bedrooms
- Shared bathroom facilities (shared between each pair of rooms)
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Laundry
- Bicycle sheds
- 9 parking spaces

Nearest:

Shop:

Maindy Road

Fast food:

City Centre

Bar:

Students' Union /
Woodville Road

Sports facilities:

Cardiff University Fitness &
Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength &
Conditioning Centre

“I would definitely recommend Hodge Hall as it's a fantastic way to meet new people, and provides an easy way to introduce you into student life and living independently. It is really close to the university, allowing me to roll out of bed 10 minutes before my lectures!”

Matt Beckett



Liberty House

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	YES
Couples	NO
Families	NO
Main Building	1.25 miles
Heath Park Campus	0.25 miles

Liberty House is located next to the University's Heath Park Campus providing an ideal location for students studying Nursing and Healthcare courses.

Note: Cardiff University is working in partnership with this private Hall of Residence which is owned and managed by Liberty Living.

Facilities:

- 184 single occupancy study bedrooms with ensuite bathroom facilities
- 7 studios (self contained)
- Self-catered, grouped into flats of 4-6 students
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Laundry
- Bicycle racks

Nearest:

- Shop:**
Whitchurch Road
- Fast food:**
Whitchurch Road
- Bar:**
Allensbank Road
- Sports facilities:**
Heath Park Campus

“Liberty House was a great place to live as it was very close to the hospital where I had my lectures. The location was also ideal because it was close to local shops and also easy to get to the city centre. It was very sociable which made it very easy to make new friends who were doing similar courses to me.”

Steph Hemming



Roy Jenkins Hall

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	NO
Couples	YES
Families	NO
Main Building	0.75 miles

Roy Jenkins Hall is a small self-catered residence less than a mile from the Main Campus. It is close to a good local shopping area which includes two supermarkets.

Facilities:

- 6 flats each with 5 single occupancy study bedrooms
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- Shared bathroom facilities
- 12 flats for couples
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Bicycle sheds
- 20 parking spaces

Nearest:

Shop:

Crwys Road

Fast food:

Crwys Road

Bar:

Crwys Road

Sports facilities:

Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre

Laundry:

Cartwright Court

“One of the best things about Roy Jenkins Hall is that shops and public transport are close by which means everything you need is easy to get to. I found it fantastically easy to meet new people and make friends and the facilities were great.”

Eliot Murray



Senghennydd Court

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	YES
Couples	NO
Families	NO
Main Building	0.5 miles
Heath Park Campus	2 miles

This is a large, self-catered residence close to the main campus area, the Students’ Union and the City Centre. It is particularly convenient for students studying Mathematics, Engineering, Physics and Astronomy or Computer Science.

Facilities:

- 490 single occupancy study bedrooms for undergraduate students grouped into flats of 5 students with shared bathroom facilities
- 120 single occupancy study bedrooms for postgraduate students with ensuite toilet/shower facilities grouped into flats of 5 students
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Evening meal option available
- 1 study bedroom equipped for those with a hearing impairment

- Postgraduate ‘Plus’ option
- Some flats reserved for Welsh speakers and learners of Welsh who wish to be grouped together
- Laundry
- Bicycle sheds
- 20 parking spaces

Nearest:

Shop: Salisbury Road

Fast food: City Centre

Bar: Students’ Union

Sports facilities:

Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre

“I felt right at home at Senghennydd Court as there is a really friendly atmosphere. We had a dining room which was great for socialising. It is very close to the city centre as well as a number of smaller shops in Cathays.”

Lindsey Connelly



Senghennydd Hall

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	NO
Couples	YES
Families	NO
Main Building	0.5 miles

Senghennydd Hall is a part-catered residence situated within a very short distance of the Main Campus and ideal for students studying Mathematics, Physics and Astronomy, Engineering or Computer Science. The hall accommodates 103 students.

Facilities:

- 102 single occupancy study bedrooms with ensuite toilet/shower facilities
- 1 bedsitter suitable for a couple
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Evening meals provided Monday to Friday during term time at the nearby Trevithick restaurant in the Queen's Buildings
- 3 study bedrooms equipped for those with a hearing impairment

- Bicycle sheds

Nearest:

Shop:

Salisbury Road

Fast food:

City Centre

Bar:

Students' Union

Sports facilities:

Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre

Laundry:

Senghennydd Court

“I really enjoyed the social aspects of staying at Senghennydd Hall. It is a brilliant place to make friends for life and is a useful transition between living at home and living alone. It helped that everyone else was in the same boat so everyone is friendly and looking to make new friends.”

Kate O'Connor



Student Houses / Flats



Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	YES
Couples	YES
Families	YES
Main Building	up to 0.75 miles
Heath Park Campus	up to 2 miles

The University has a number of student houses located along Colum Road, Colum Place and in the Cathays and Roath areas. They are conveniently located close to the main campus.

Facilities:

- Houses for 4 to 11 students
- 363 single occupancy study bedrooms with shared bathroom facilities
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- 6 flats for couples/families

Nearest:

- Shop:**
Maindy Road /Salisbury Road
- Fast food:**
City Centre
- Bar:**
Students' Union
- Sports facilities:**
Cardiff University Fitness & Squash Centre
Cardiff University Strength & Conditioning Centre
- Laundry:**
Aberconway Hall /Hodge Hall

“The facilities in our student house were great - large rooms, a well equipped kitchen and a comfortable house to live in! You are able to enjoy more independence and freedom and you are a short walk away from the city centre. It is a new experience that allows students to meet new people and enjoy a great place to live.”

Hallam Nash



Talybont

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On-site Facilities:

- Bar/Social Centre
- Fast food
- Cardiff University Sports Training Village
- Laundry
- Bicycle sheds

Nearest:

- Supermarket, KFC and McDonalds restaurant next to Talybont North

Talybont is the largest of the University's self-catered residences and provides a range of social amenities and excellent sports facilities. This purpose-built development is situated in pleasant grounds close to large areas of parkland. It is a short walk or cycle ride to most of the academic buildings, including the Heath Park Campus.

Talybont Court

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Facilities:

- 511 single occupancy study bedrooms with ensuite facilities
- Flats for 4-7 students
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- Wheelchair accessible accommodation
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking - (except for houses for families)
- 2 houses for families



Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	YES
Couples	NO
Families	YES
Main Building	0.75 miles
Heath Park Campus	1 mile

“I really enjoyed the community feel to Talybont Court - it's like a mini student village and everything you need is within walking distance. The halls themselves are of a really high standard: comfortable, spacious, and just what you need if you miss home!”

John Mason

Talybont North

MAP REFERENCE

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Facilities:

- 972 single occupancy study bedrooms with ensuite facilities
- Flats for 6 students
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Postgraduate ‘Extra’ option
- Some flats reserved for Welsh speakers and learners of Welsh who wish to be grouped together
- 130 parking spaces



Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	YES
Couples	NO
Families	NO
Main Building	1.25 miles
Heath Park Campus	1.25 miles

“The best part of living in Talybont North was the feeling of independence from living in a mini student village. With lots of things going on all the time it was easy to meet a variety of people. The rooms were modern, clean and well-maintained. Living in Talybont North is the perfect start to university.”

Rosi Young

Talybont South

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Facilities:

- 1252 single occupancy study bedrooms with ensuite facilities
- Flats for 4 - 8 students
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Undergraduate and Postgraduate ‘Plus’ options



Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	YES
Couples	NO
Families	NO
Main Building	1 mile
Heath Park Campus	1.25 miles

“These halls are so big and have their own amenities on site so the social bar and the university sports facilities are right on your doorstep. It is easy to walk to lectures and with so many people you cannot fail to find someone living there on your course.”

Sara Wilson

University Hall

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Undergraduate	YES
Postgraduate	NO
Couples	YES
Families	YES
Main Building	1.75 miles
Heath Park Campus	1.25 miles

University Hall is a large self-catered hall located less than 2 miles from the Main Campus and only 1 mile from the Heath Park Campus. It stands in its own pleasant, extensive grounds overlooking the city. The hall accommodates 671 students and also has a small amount of residence suitable for couples and families.

Facilities:

- Variety of single occupancy study bedrooms with ensuite or shared bathroom facilities
- Shared kitchen/dining areas
- All rooms have computer network connection points and access to wireless networking
- Laundry
- 93 parking spaces
- Bus service to Main and Heath Park Campus area at no extra cost (for information on dates/times, please check our website)

On-site Facilities:

- Social lounge

Nearest:

Shop:

Penylan

Fast Food:

Wellfield Road

Supermarket:

Colchester Avenue

“University Hall has just the right amount of people. Everyone becomes a familiar face which contributes to the close community feel. Although it is located further away from the main university, a free bus is provided for getting to and from class and the local convenience shop is only a short walk away.”

Emma Benson



Campus Maps



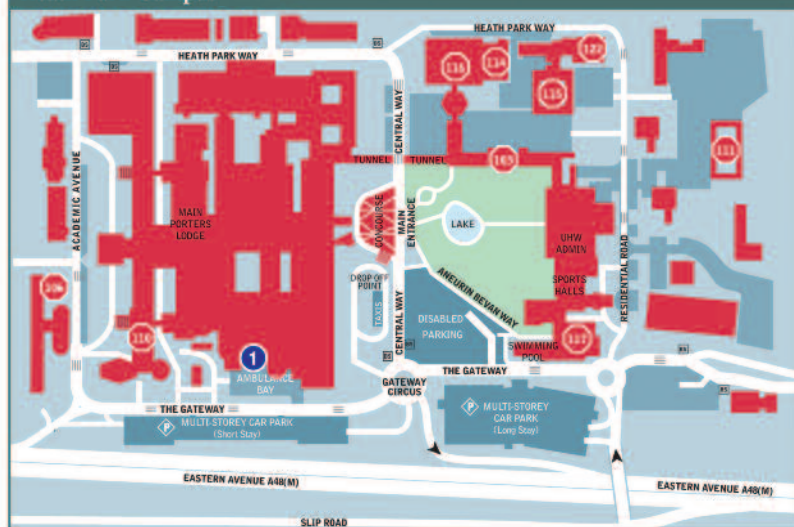
Cathays Park Campus

Aberconway Building	C5 11	European Studies	D4 24	Pharmacy	C5 33	Students' Union	D1 38
Architecture	D9 45	Glamorgan Building	D9 49	Physics and Astronomy	E3 58	Tower Building	D4 27
Biosciences	D4, D5 35 39	Health Centre	D4 37	Psychology	D4, D4* 25 27*	Trevithick Building	E1 58
Business School	C5 11	History, Archaeology and Religion	D4 16	Queen's Buildings	E3 58	Welsh	D1 16
Bute Building	D4 45	Humanities Building	D4 16	Redwood Building	C3 33	* indicates main site	
Chemistry	D1*, E1 39* 50	International Office	E3 60	Residences and Catering	B6 3		
City and Regional Planning	D9 49	Journalism, Media and Cultural Studies	C3 45	Security Centre	D6 35		
Computer Science & Informatics	E3 58	Julian Hodge Building	C4 14	Social Sciences	D4, E3, D3* E3 31 42 49* 50		
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Deri House	E1 60	Main Building	D3 39	• Fitness and Squash Centre	D4 34		
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Engineering	E1 58	Nursing and Midwifery	F3 59	Student Recruitment and Web Division	E3 60		
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Residences

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Heath Park Campus



Heath Park Campus

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Residences Fees

Type of residence	Average weekly fee (provisional) (2013/14)
Catered - shared bathroom	£114
Part catered: - ensuite	£108
Part catered: - shared bathroom	£94
Self catered: - ensuite	£83 - £109
Self catered: - shared bathroom	£78 - £90

Residences fees and associated charges are payable by Direct Debit in three instalments (usually in October, January and April).

All fees refer to single occupancy residences.

Associated Charges	Instalments	Total
Evening Meal Option	1 x £234.66 2 x £234.67	£704
Parking Permit	1 x £44.66 2 x £44.67	£134



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