RESIDENCE HALL
Living Accommodations
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The University of Pittsburgh’s campus in the Oakland neighborhood provides housing to more than 7,900 undergraduate students. Our students come from a variety of backgrounds and lifestyles, and they make a major contribution to the multicultural richness and diversity of the University community. The “out-of-classroom” experiences that come with living on our urban campus are an important part of the education students receive at Pitt.

Residence Halls
This brochure provides a snapshot of each of the University’s 14 residence halls and an overview of the services we provide to the students living in them. We equip every room in each of our 14 residence halls with the fundamental amenities of contemporary student life, from furniture to high-definition cable TV to wireless internet access. We have created many special Living Learning Communities to provide appropriate residential environments for students who share special academic or personal interests. Resident directors and resident assistants provide guidance and services to the students living in each residence hall. Students also can call, stop in, or log on to Panther Central at www.pc.pitt.edu any time of the day or night for answers to their questions about on-campus living.

Apartment-style Accommodations
Upperclass students can also choose to live in apartment-style accommodations. The University has five apartment-style living facilities: Bouquet Gardens, Centre Plaza Apartments, Forbes Craig Apartments, Oakwood Apartments, and Ruskin Hall. Accommodating one to four students, apartment-style configurations include combined dining and living areas and kitchens.

For more detailed information on the University’s residential services and policies, please refer to the Residential Handbook or visit www.pc.pitt.edu/publications.php
RESIDENCE HALL Services

Furnishings and Maintenance
The University furnishes each residence hall room with carpeting, a twin-size bed, mattress, desk, chair, dresser, wardrobe or closet, and window curtains or blinds. Students will need to provide their own desk lamps and bed linens.

We also equip each residence hall bedroom with high definition cable TV service that includes basic channels. Residence hall rooms include a direct Internet connection via PittNet, the University’s network. Rooms feature both wired and wireless connectivity.

Students are responsible for cleaning their own rooms and private bathrooms within suite-style accommodations. Our housekeeping staff cleans communal bathrooms, lounges, hallways, and stairwells.

For emergency repairs and maintenance problems, students should call Panther Central immediately.

For routine maintenance, simply fill out an online maintenance request at the Panther Central Community at my.pitt.edu. Students also can submit an online request at www.pc.pitt.edu.

Laundry
Each residence hall has washers and dryers that operate with Panther Funds. Laundry View, available in our larger buildings, allows students to see a live 3-D model of the laundry room from their computers so they always know when machines are available.

Resident Directors and Resident Assistants
A resident director (RD) is on staff in each residence hall to assist students with educational, recreational, and disciplinary issues. In addition, resident assistants (RAs) also live on most floors in the residence halls. RAs are upperclass students eager to help by sharing their knowledge and experience.

Resident Student Association
The Resident Student Association (RSA) is the governing body of students who live in the residence halls. RSA provides input to the University on any and all aspects of on-campus life.

Security
Each residence hall has a welcome desk staffed around the clock. When entering their residence halls, students must have the desk attendant swipe their Panther Cards through a card reader to verify their residence in that building. Your Panther Card is programmed to provide access only to your own residence hall. Residence hall visitors also must present a photo ID and must be escorted by the resident student at all times. The security staff in each residence hall also assists in enforcing the University’s visitation and alcohol policies. You can find these policies spelled out in the Residential Handbook. The handbook is available to download and print at www.pc.pitt.edu/publications.php.

Print Stations
Pitt Printing enables students to remotely send print jobs from any location to self-service print stations in locations across campus. There are self-service print stations located in ALL of our residence halls, as well as some of our apartment-style accommodations: Bouquet Gardens Building J, Forbes Craig Apartments, and Ruskin Hall. For more information on Pitt Printing, please visit www.technology.pitt.edu/service/printing.

Living Learning Communities
Within several residence halls, we have designated floors as Living Learning Communities (LLCs). These floors are for students who wish to live with others who share a special academic or personal interest. In most cases, there are women’s floors and men’s floors available.

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Office of Residence Life
The Office of Residence Life in the William Pitt Union provides information and programs that support your academic goals and contribute to your personal growth and development while you are at Pitt. You may call the office at 412-648-1200 or visit www.reslife.pitt.edu.

Transportation
The University’s bus and shuttle system serves each residence hall seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Our SafeRider services provide on-request drop-offs and on-call van transportation in the evening and early morning. Visit www.pc.pitt.edu/transportation for more information.

Other Amenities
As you’ll see on the following pages, several of our residence halls offer a variety of other convenient services and amenities, including recreational facilities, fitness centers, computer centers, e-mail kiosks, coffee carts, and dining facilities.

Visit www.pc.pitt.edu/housing/halls/index.php for floor plans, room rates, and additional information about each residence option.
Amos Hall is part of Schenley Quadrangle and houses nine sororities. The 135 upperclass female residents live in suites featuring a kitchen, private bathrooms, a living room, and a chapter room. Laundry facilities are located on each floor, and residents have access to the Brackenridge Hall Fitness Center. The Oakland Bakery and Market is located on the first floor of this building, with its entrance on Fifth Avenue.

Amos Hall is supported by the resident director who resides in Schenley Quadrangle.

Thyrsa Wealthoe Amos served as the first dean of women at the University of Pittsburgh from 1919 to 1941.

Brackenridge Hall is part of Schenley Quadrangle and houses 206 upperclass men and women in four- and five-person suites. Each suite features either a MicroFridge or a refrigerator-microwave combination and a private bathroom. There are also a few single and double rooms in Brackenridge Hall that do not include a MicroFridge. Laundry facilities are located in the penthouse, and there is a fitness center on the ground floor that is available to all residents of Schenley Quadrangle. Brackenridge Hall is also home to the Upperclass College of Business Administration Living Learning Community. The Pitt Shop is on the lowest level of Brackenridge Hall and is accessible from Forbes Avenue. A resident director and five resident assistants are on staff in Brackenridge Hall.

In 1787, Hugh Henry Brackenridge founded the Pittsburgh Academy, which later evolved into the University of Pittsburgh. The academy was the first institution of higher learning west of the Alleghenies chartered by the Pennsylvania legislature.
The Reverend Robert Bruce served from 1822 to 1835 as the first chancellor of the Western University of Pennsylvania, which later became the University of Pittsburgh.

Bruce Hall is part of Schenley Quadrangle. It houses 192 primarily first-year men and women in four- and six-person suites. Each suite features a kitchenette with refrigerator and one or more private bathrooms. Laundry facilities are available on all floors, and residents have access to the Brackenridge Hall Fitness Center. One sorority resides on the third floor of Bruce Hall, and this building is also home to the College of Business Administration Living Learning Community. The UPS Store and a 7-Eleven convenience store are on the lowest level of Bruce Hall and are accessible from Forbes Avenue. A resident director and eight resident assistants are on staff.

Forbes Hall is a residence hall located on Forbes Avenue about four blocks from the Litchfield Towers complex. It houses 232 first-year students in air-conditioned double rooms. Some of the doubles have adjoining semiprivate powder rooms. There are communal showers, a kitchenette, and a laundry area on each floor. There are Internet e-mail kiosks and a student mail center in the lobby of Forbes Hall. The first-year Engineering Living Learning Community is located in Forbes Hall. Each wing of Forbes Hall has a study room. A large recreation room with fitness equipment is on the second floor, and a rooftop patio overlooks Forbes Avenue. A resident director, a program coordinator, and five resident assistants are on staff.

In 1758, General John Forbes defeated the French at Fort Duquesne and renamed the settlement Pittsburgh in honor of English Prime Minister William Pitt.
Holland Hall is part of Schenley Quadrangle. The hall is divided into two wings—North and South—and houses 600 first-year women in single, double, triple, and quadruple accommodations. There is a kitchenette on each floor as well as communal bathrooms and showers. The penthouse features a lounge, study area, and laundry facility, and residents have access to the Brackenridge Hall Fitness Center. The University Store on Fifth Avenue is on the ground floor of Holland Hall, accessible from either Schenley Quadrangle or from Fifth Avenue.

A resident director, a program coordinator, and 18 resident assistants are on staff.

William Jacob Holland served as chancellor of the University of Pittsburgh from 1891 to 1901. During his tenure, the institution developed into a true university, offering advanced degrees in a range of academic fields.

The Edward A. Litchfield Towers constitute the largest residential complex on the Pitt campus. The three towers accommodate 1,868 men and women in air-conditioned singles and doubles. The lobby of the three towers houses a variety of offices and facilities, including Panther Central, a student mail center, a fitness center, a print station, laundry facility, vending machines, e-mail kiosks, the Towers Lobby Lounge, and the Common Grounds coffee cart. The Market Central dining facility is located on the lower level, as is a Market-to-Go and a Quick Zone convenience store. A skywalk from the lobby spans over Forbes Avenue, providing convenient access to the academic buildings south of Forbes.

Tower A houses 664 male and female first-year students. All rooms are air-conditioned doubles. There are communal bathrooms and showers on each floor. A TV/study lounge is on every third floor.

In addition, Tower A offers the option of 12-month first-year housing. For more details, please contact Panther Central at 412-648-1100.

A resident director, a program coordinator, and 18 resident assistants are on staff.
Tower B is the largest of the three Litchfield Towers. It houses 769 first-year men and women in air-conditioned double rooms. There are communal bathrooms and showers on each floor. A TV/study lounge is on every third floor. A resident director, a program coordinator, and 21 resident assistants are on staff.

Tower C houses 435 men and women, primarily upperclass students, in air-conditioned single rooms. There are communal bathrooms and showers on each floor. A TV/study lounge is on every third floor. Tower C is home to the ROTC Living Learning Community. This building also offers the option of 12-month upperclass housing. For more details, please contact Panther Central at 412-648-1100. A resident director, a program coordinator, and 15 resident assistants are on staff.

Edward Litchfield served from 1956 to 1965 as the 12th chancellor of the University of Pittsburgh. He was recognized for enhancing the University’s graduate and research faculty.
Lothrop Hall is a residence hall in the heart of the renowned University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, about three blocks from the Litchfield Towers. Lothrop Hall houses 723 men and women, primarily upperclass students, mostly in single rooms but with a few doubles. Most rooms are equipped with a sink, and each wing has a communal bathroom and shower on each floor. There is a full, newly renovated fitness center on the ground floor.

A resident director, a program coordinator, and 14 resident assistants are on staff.

Sylvanus Lothrop was a prominent engineer and businessman who constructed the first locks and several major bridges on the Monongahela River in the 1830s and 1840s.

On October 26, 2012, the University of Pittsburgh Board of Trustees passed a resolution at its meeting to name a new residence hall the Mark A. Nordenberg Hall in addition to announcing the establishment of the Mark A. Nordenberg Scholarship Fund for undergraduate students. The surprise proclamations recognized the chancellor for his continued leadership of the University.

Mark A. Nordenberg Hall is our newest residence hall, housing 559 first-year men and women in air-conditioned doubles and triples. Each floor offers a large lounge area, smaller study lounges, communal bathrooms, and a laundry room. Special building features include a fitness center and two music practice rooms. The Health and Wellness Center, consisting of the Student Health Service and the University Counseling Center, is located on the second floor of the building, and is accessible from University Place. The University Pharmacy, a PNC bank, and an AT&T store are located on the first floor, which is accessible from Fifth Avenue.

A resident director, a program coordinator, and 16 resident assistants are on staff in Mark A. Nordenberg Hall.
McCormick Hall, located in Schenley Quadrangle, houses 132 upperclass men and women in three-, six-, and seven-person suites. Each suite features a kitchenette with a microwave and refrigerator, as well as one or more private bathrooms. Laundry facilities are located in the penthouse, and residents have access to the Brackenridge Hall Fitness Center.

A resident director, a program coordinator, and three resident assistants are on staff.

Panther Hall, located on the upper campus, houses 511 upperclass men and women. These air-conditioned rooms are a combination of three-person and five-person suites and doubles with private baths. There are open lounges, study areas, and laundry facilities on every floor. The commons area contains the Thirst & 10 coffee cart, a meeting room, a fitness center, and a student mail center. Panther Hall is also home to the Upperclass Engineering Living Learning Community.

A resident director, a program coordinator, and 13 resident assistants are on staff.

Panther Hall was constructed on the former Pitt Stadium site. That site is now home to the Petersen Events Center, two residence halls, and green space for student use.

Samuel Black McCormick served as the ninth chancellor of the University from 1904 to 1920. During his tenure, the University bought 43 acres in Oakland and moved to the site of the current campus.
Pennsylvania Hall, located on the upper campus adjacent to the Petersen Events Center, offers striking views of Oakland. Pennsylvania Hall houses 420 upperclass men and women in air-conditioned four-person suites and doubles with private baths. An open lounge and laundry facilities are on every floor, and the commons area contains the Pennsylvania Perk coffee cart, a fitness center, a meeting room, and a student mail center. Pennsylvania Hall is also home to the Upperclass University Honors College Living Learning Communities:

A resident director, a program coordinator, and eight resident assistants are on staff.

The original Pennsylvania Hall, formerly on this site, was built in 1911 as a School of Medicine classroom building. Pitt’s medical school, where Jonas Salk and his team developed his miraculous polio vaccine, is considered to be one of the best in the country.

Sutherland Hall is located adjacent to the Petersen Events Center on the upper campus, next to the major athletic facilities, and provides a view of the entire University. Sutherland Hall houses 740 first-year men and women. The air-conditioned rooms are mostly doubles with semi-private baths. There is a TV lounge or study room on each floor. The east and west wings of Sutherland Hall share a lobby comprising the Perch at Sutherland dining facility, the Hill O’Beans coffee cart, a Quick Zone convenience store, a computer center, and a student mail center. There is a fitness center, a laundry facility, and a meeting room on the ground floor of each wing.

Sutherland Hall is home to the first-year University Honors College Living Learning Community.

A resident director, a program coordinator, and 16 resident assistants are on staff.

From 1924 to 1939, John Bain “Jock” Sutherland was the University of Pittsburgh’s head football coach and arguably the best football coach of his time.
Located just a few blocks from the heart of campus, **Bouquet Gardens** accommodates 651 students in 172 units in nine buildings. Each air-conditioned unit includes a kitchen, living room, and dining area. Parking is not available at Bouquet Gardens.

In addition to the amenities listed above, each apartment in Bouquet Gardens Buildings A–H has four single bedrooms and two bathrooms. Building J consists of three-person apartments with one bathroom and four-person units with two bathrooms. Building J also has a small mail center, a print station, a fitness center, and indoor bike parking for all Bouquet Gardens residents.

**Forbes Craig Apartments**

Located across from the Carnegie Museums of Art and Natural History, the **Forbes Craig Apartments** houses the upperclass University Honors College community. The 39 furnished apartments accommodate 102 upperclass students in single and double bedrooms. One University Honors College staff member resides in the building. You can learn more about the honors college at [www.honorscollege.pitt.edu](http://www.honorscollege.pitt.edu).

Limited student parking is available.

**Centre Plaza Apartments**

Located in North Oakland, the 67 units in the **Centre Plaza Apartments** house 197 students. The air-conditioned, furnished apartments each house from one to three students. Each unit includes a dining room and a kitchen. The kitchens include microwaves, disposals, and dinettes as well as refrigerators, stoves, and dishwashers. High-speed Internet is available in every apartment. Some student parking is available.

Upperclass students can choose apartment-style accommodations, which offer a more independent living environment with modified services and amenities. Accommodating one to four students, apartment-style configurations include combined dining and living areas and kitchens. The University furnishes each apartment and provides high definition cable TV and online network access.

Visit [www.pc.pitt.edu](http://www.pc.pitt.edu) for floor plans, room rates, and additional information about each residence option.
Ruskin Hall is located near the Cathedral of Learning on the eastern edge of campus. Ruskin Hall houses 416 students in one-, two-, and three-person apartments and single-person efficiency apartments. The air-conditioned, furnished apartments include private baths and kitchens with a refrigerator, stove, microwave, and dishwasher. Parking is not available at Ruskin Hall.

Guaranteed Residence Hall Living
The University guarantees housing for three years to all qualified prospective first-year students who are admitted for the fall term and pay their $300 enrollment fee by May 1 and their $325 housing deposit by their corresponding assigned deadlines. This guarantee is good for three years provided that all housing application and deposit deadlines in each subsequent year are met.

First-year students who pay their deposits after the deadline will lose their housing guarantee and will be assigned rooms as they become available.

Room and Roommate Preferences
When you complete your Housing Application, you can indicate the type of accommodation you desire. Although we will make a sincere effort to satisfy your request, we are not always able to grant your preferences.

If you wish to request a particular roommate, you must both list each other on your applications. If we do not receive your applications within a reasonable period of time, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to honor your roommate preference. Also, your participation in a Living Learning Community may preclude your choosing a roommate. In order to receive information on a Living Learning Community, please indicate your interest on the application.

You can find more specific information regarding the terms of your Housing/Dining Services contract in the Housing/Dining Services information packet that accompanies your contract as well as in the Residential Handbook or online at www.pc.pitt.edu/publications.php.

RoomSync
Speaking of roommates, do you want to find someone who will be a good fit? We want to help you! Once you’ve completed your Housing Application, you will be able to access RoomSync—a private Facebook application which allows students to search for roommates based on interests, lifestyles, majors, and mutual friends. Each week, Panther Central sends RoomSync instructions to students who have recently completed the Housing Application in its entirety. In order to be paired with another student, you must both “match” (i.e., select each other) via RoomSync. Your match is then sent to Panther Central as a roommate request.

RoomSync is currently available to incoming freshmen only. Participating freshmen should continue to check their Pitt email regularly for RoomSync updates. If you are not a freshman, or don’t find your “match” through RoomSync, don’t worry! Our Housing Application includes several roommate matching questions of its own that will properly sort and identify a compatible roommate for you.

THE HOUSING APPLICATION Process
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1 Primary classes living in hall: Upper = Upperclass students
First = First-year students
2 RD = Resident Director
RA = Resident Assistant
PC = Program Coordinator
3 Laundry facilities located on select floors, all floors, or in lobby
W = Women’s Floors
M = Men’s Floors
LLC = Living Learning Community
After completing the helpful checklist below, tear it out along the perforation and take it with you when you move in to your residence hall.

### Beauty and Grooming
- Aftershave
- Body lotion
- Contact lens solution
- Cotton balls
- Dental floss
- Deodorant
- Electric shaver
- Facial tissues
- Hairbrush
- Hair clips
- Hair conditioner
- Hair dryer
- Hairstyling tools
- Hairspray
- Jewelry
- Makeup
- Manicure items
- Moist towelettes
- Mouthwash
- Perfume/cologne
- Razor blades
- Shampoo
- Shaving kit
- Shower cap
- Shower flip-flops
- Shower tote
- Soap
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Towels
- Tweezers

### Bedtime
- Backrest for studying
- Blanket(s)
- Pillow(s)
- Sheets (extra long/twin size)

### Clothing/Apparel
- Bathrobe
- Business/professional attire for job fairs and interviews
- Evening/formal attire for special events
- Winter boots, coat, hat, gloves

### Have on Hand
- Cash
- Checkbook
- Credit card(s)
- Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses or a copy of the prescription
- Panther Card
- Physician’s note
- Wallet

### Laundry
- Detergent
- Drying rack
- Fabric softener/dryer sheets
- Iron
- Laundry basket/bag

### Personal/Medical
- Adhesive bandages
- Antihistamine
- Antiseptic cleanser
- Calamine lotion
- Cotton swabs
- Eye drops
- Foot powder
- Hand sanitizer
- Ice bag
- Indigestion remedy
- Measuring spoons
- Nasal spray
- Pain reliever
- Prescription medicine taken regularly
- Thermometer
- Vitamins

### Study Items
- Book bag
- Desk lamp
- Dry erase board
- Folders
- Glue
- Masking tape
- Notebook
- Paper clips
- Paper punch
- Pens/pencils
- Pencil sharpener
- Personal computer
- Poster putty
- Reference books
- Rubber bands
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Stapler/staples
- Thumbtacks
- Transparent tape
- Printer paper
- Wall calendar

### Useful Everyday Items
- Batteries
- Cell phone/charger
- Clock radio
- Digital camera
- Dishes
- Drinking glasses
- DVD player
- Flashlight
- Hangers
- Key ring
- Lamp
- Single-cup coffee maker w/o a burner
- Microwave (800 watts or smaller)
- Mp3 player
- Mug
- Playing cards
- Postage stamps
- Posters
- Power strip with surge protector
- Radio
- Reading material
- Refrigerator (4.2 cubic feet or smaller)
- Safety pins
- Sewing kit
- Silverware
- Sports equipment
- Stationery
- Sunglasses
- Television (17” or smaller)
- Trash can
- Umbrella

### What Not to Bring
- Air conditioner
- Candles
- Coffeemaker w/ burner
- Crockpot
- Cup warmer
- Exterior TV/radio aerial
- Extension cord (power strip with surge protector permitted)
- Furniture (including loft beds and waterbeds)
- Gas grill
- Halogen, high-intensity quartz, torchiere lights
- Hot plate
- Indoor grill
- Open-flame cooking device or heating unit
- Pets
- Space heater
- Steamer/rice cooker
- Toaster/toaster oven
- Trash can (provided by the University)
Whatever questions you have about campus services, from arugula to zip codes, turn to Panther Central first. Call, stop in, or log on. We’re the place for answers.

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