

Is Living Off-Campus Right for Me?

Why are you thinking about living off campus? Answer these questions to help decide if you are ready!

If you answer more questions “yes” than “no,” you are probably realistic about the responsibilities associated with moving off-campus! If not, you may need to do more research about the questions you answered “no” to.

Do I want more privacy?	Yes	No
Do I want to be more independent?	Yes	No
Am I okay with the chance that living off campus can be isolating, especially if I do not have a roommate?	Yes	No
Do I enjoy sharing personal space (i.e. kitchen, bathroom, living room) with others?	Yes	No
Am I ready for the financial responsibilities that come with living off campus including rent, utilities, grocery bills, phone bills, internet and cable, transportation, insurance, and furnishings?	Yes	No
Do I have a budget and/or an idea of how much money I need to spend every month to live off campus?	Yes	No
Do I have transportation to get to campus?	Yes	No
Do I know what kind of apartment I am looking for and what amenities I need (i.e. laundry room, pool, fitness center)?	Yes	No
Do I enjoy and know how to cook?	Yes	No
Am I able to communicate with my roommates and neighbors to ensure a positive living environment?	Yes	No
Am I aware of the city codes and laws that related to me?	Yes	No
Do I know where I am going to spend my time between classes if it is not convenient to return home?	Yes	No
Am I able to return to campus for extracurricular activities and study sessions?	Yes	No