

## Fall 2010

- **October 2009–August 2010**  
Once you have applied for admission and received your SDSU RedID number, indicate your interest in on-campus housing through the Admission Status section of the SDSU WebPortal at [www.sdsu.edu/portal](http://www.sdsu.edu/portal). Housing interest will continue until all spaces are full.
- **March–August 2010**  
Complete the License Agreement online in the SDSU WebPortal at [www.sdsu.edu/portal](http://www.sdsu.edu/portal). Print, sign and mail your completed License Agreement documents and initial payment. License Agreements will be received until all spaces are full.

View residence hall Terms & Conditions and Policies & Procedures at:

[www.sdsu.edu/housing/guide-terms.html](http://www.sdsu.edu/housing/guide-terms.html)

## For more information:

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## On-Campus Housing

If you are looking for housing options while you attend SDSU, you will find information and assistance at the Office of Housing Administration (OHA). The OHA administers the business aspects of the SDSU campus residence halls and serves as the University Conference Center.

### University Residential Live-On Requirement

Beginning fall 2010, all admitted first-time-freshmen from outside the SDSU service area will be required to live on campus. In addition, all first-time freshmen participants in the University Honors Program will be required to live on campus. SDSU highly encourages all students to live on campus at least two years while studying at the university.

Students living on-campus continue to academically out-perform their peers living off-campus:

- Residential students averaged a 2.81 GPA while off-campus students averaged a 2.38. Residential students living in one of the many “learning communities” averaged a 2.89.
- 30% of students living off-campus were placed on academic probation compared with 14% of residential students.
- Of those off-campus students placed on academic probation, 50% are disqualified as SDSU students by the end of the spring semester; 27% remain on academic probation, and 24% are removed from academic probation.
- Residential students living in “learning communities” at SDSU are twice as likely to graduate in four years than their non-learning community residential peers.
- Residential students who live on for two years have a continuation rate to junior year of 90%; those who live on for one year have a continuation rate of 70%. Students who live off-campus have a continuation rate of 58%.

### Living Options

There are a variety of living options at SDSU. All residence halls are coed and several include provisions for students with disabilities. Each hall or complex has its own lounge, recreation room, study room, vending machines, and laundry room. The residence halls are situated on the east and west sides of the campus, all within walking distance of classes.

Rooms in traditional residence halls are furnished with a bed, dresser, desk, chair, bookshelf, and closet for each resident. Each room also includes a microfridge (microwave/mini fridge/freezer), local telephone services, voice mail, and basic cable services—all at no additional charge. A high-speed data line is provided for Internet access; residents need to bring their own Internet-ready computers to use this service. Residents also need to bring their own towels, bedding, desk lamp, and personal effects.

Rooms in the **University Towers** mini-suites have furnishings like the traditional double room plus a sink and vanity. Two double rooms share a common bathroom.

Rooms in the **Cuicacalli Suites** are furnished with a bed, desk (with attached bookshelves), chair, wardrobe, and dresser. Each eight-person suite also has a living area with a three-seat couch, lounge chair, coffee table, end table, floor lamp, dining table, and four chairs. The suite also has a kitchenette with a refrigerator and microwave plus two full-size bathrooms.

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Nine-story **University Towers**, which houses 550 students, and eleven-story **Chapultepec**, which houses about 580 students, are located on the west side of campus. On the east side are the **LLC @ Maya and Olmeca** (red brick halls housing 436 students); nine-story **Zura**, which houses about 590 residents; eight-story **Tenochca**, which accommodates close to 400; **Cuicacalli Suites** (Tacuba and Tepeyac) that houses 686 residents; and the **Villa Alvarado** apartment complex. East side halls are closer to the Aztec Center student union. West side halls are closer to the Aztec Recreation center and the Aztec Aquaplex.

**Villa Alvarado Apartments** are fully furnished and house four students, two per bedroom. Each two-bedroom apartment includes a living room, dining area, large bathroom, and full kitchen.

All residents living in the halls have access to swimming pools, sand volleyball courts and barbecue areas.

### Housing Over the Breaks

Many SDSU students need on-campus housing over Thanksgiving, winter and spring breaks. University Towers and Villa Alvarado Apartments will remain open during these periods, at no additional charge, for students who live there throughout the academic year. All other halls close during the breaks and meal plans are not available.

### Costs and Applications

Room and board costs depend on meal plan and room type. Visit the OHA Web site for the most current rate information. Visit [www.sdsu.edu/housing](http://www.sdsu.edu/housing) to find out more about the housing application process and the Residential Living Communities that are right for you.

### Meal Plans

Residential students may dine in several facilities on campus, including The Dining Room at Cuicacalli Suites, the primary residential dining facility. Residents have the choice of several meal plans. Returning residents, continuing SDSU students and new transfer students living in Villa Alvarado are not required to have a meal plan.

### Involvement

Students interested in getting involved have a variety of living choices. Each hall council sponsors various programs for residents. Hall activities offer residents the opportunity to interact with a wide range of students. SDSU is proud to have a Residence Hall Association that has won the National Association of College and University Residence Halls "National School of the Year" award for excellence in residence hall programming three times.

### Residential Learning Communities (RLCs)

If you choose to live on campus during your freshman year, the university recommends you live in a residential learning community. However, the choice is yours. Being an active member in your community and doing well academically will make your transition smoother.

RLCs are designed to assist first-time freshmen living on campus in their transition from high school. Each community is created around a similar theme or major with a focus on citizenship, scholarship, leadership, and diversity.

The advantage to residential learning communities are many. Both national research and SDSU research indicate that students in learning communities:

- Have higher GPAs than students who do not live in learning communities
- Are more connected to campus and report a better college experience
- Are more likely to be retained and graduate

### RLC Options

- Business
- Discover San Diego
- Emerging Leaders Program
- Future Teachers
- Health and Healing Professions
- Honors Residential College
- Journalism and Media Studies
- Physical Fitness and Physical Activity (P-Fit, P-Act)
- Science, Technology and Math (STM)
- Social Activism and Global Environments (SAGE)
- Sophomore Experience
- Theatre, Television and Film
- Toltec House (Undeclared Majors)
- Women in Science and Engineering (WISE)

### Find the Hall That's Right For You

If you're not sure which community is right for you, use our "hall selector" at: [www.sa.sdsu.edu/housing/find-your-hall.html](http://www.sa.sdsu.edu/housing/find-your-hall.html)