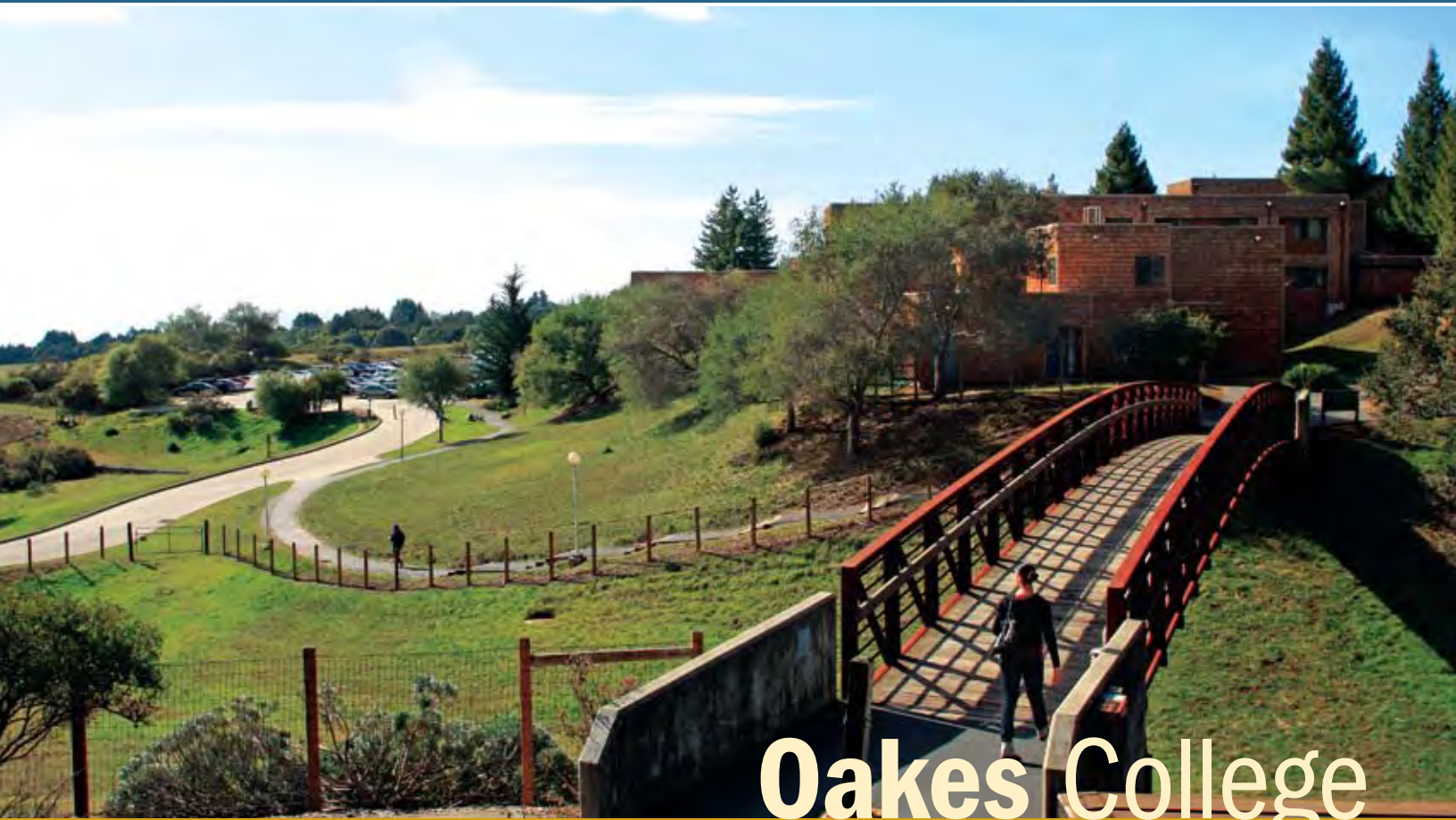




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**SANTA CRUZ**



# Oakes College

Communicating Diversity for a Just Society

STUDENT LIFE AND HOUSING GUIDE | **2011-12**

# PRINCIPLES *of* COMMUNITY

**The University of California, Santa Cruz** is committed to promoting and protecting an environment that values and supports every person in an atmosphere of civility, honesty, cooperation, professionalism and fairness.

UC Santa Cruz expects that every campus member will practice these Principles of Community.

*We strive to be...*

**DIVERSE** We embrace diversity in all its forms and we strive for an inclusive community that fosters an open, enlightened and productive environment.

**OPEN** We believe free exchange of ideas requires mutual respect and consideration for our differences.

**PURPOSEFUL** We are a participatory community united by shared commitments to: service to society; preservation and advancement of knowledge; and innovative teaching and learning.

**CARING** We promote mutual respect, trust and support to foster bonds that strengthen the community.

**JUST** We are committed to due process, respect for individual dignity and equitable access to resources, recognition and rewards.

**DISCIPLINED** We seek to advance common goals through reasonable and realistic practices, procedures and expectations.

**CELEBRATIVE** We celebrate the heritage, achievements and diversity of the community and the uniqueness and contributions of our members.

**We accept the responsibility** to pursue these principles in an atmosphere of personal and intellectual freedom, security, respect, civility and mutual support.

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Communicating Diversity for a Just Society

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### *Welcome to Oakes College!*

Congratulations and welcome to Oakes College, UC Santa Cruz! We are delighted that you will pursue your intellectual, academic, social and creative endeavors at Oakes.

This handbook is designed to acquaint you with the history, housing options and benefits of residential life at Oakes. We have compiled information and have answered commonly asked questions to assist you in your transition to living on campus. University life offers numerous avenues to explore many experiences. As a member of the residential community, your education outside of the classroom will be enriching and enjoyable. The opportunities to develop life skills, create new friendships and establish your own niche at UC Santa Cruz and Oakes are infinite.

The living-learning community at Oakes, steeped in cultural and ethnic history, is a reflection of today's dynamic society. Your education at Oakes is based upon the shared experiences of different peoples interacting in a multi-faceted learning environment. Our theme housing supports the mission of Oakes to model an environment where positive social change can be realized. The namesakes of our residences, for example, remind us of those individuals who committed themselves to advance the imperative for all of us to live fully in a multicultural world. As a student at Oakes, you will have the opportunity to live in this diverse community where the values of individual responsibility, personal integrity, and compromise are essential to our community standards, in and out of the classroom.

The students, faculty, and staff at Oakes welcome you to enjoy all that our treasured residential community has to offer. We wish you a fruitful academic year that will open the door to new discoveries, friendships, increased self-awareness and enriching learning pursuits. We are excited that you have chosen to be part of the Oakes legacy and we look forward to meeting you!

Once again, welcome to Oakes.

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## Our College Community

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### Our History

Oakes College was the seventh college to be established at UC Santa Cruz. The structure and ideals upon which the college was formed in 1972 came as a direct response to concerns that surfaced in the U.S. in the mid-sixties. In 1968, the Santa Cruz Black Liberation Front issued demands for College Seven to be a Black college, not only in focus and emphasis, but in its student, faculty and administrative makeup. They originally planned to name the college after Malcolm X. Herman Blake, the only Black UC Santa Cruz faculty member at that time, met with the Black Liberation Front and proposed instead an ethnic studies college, to include the studies of historically marginalized groups in California: African-Americans, Asian-Americans, Chicanos, Native Americans and European immigrants. In February 1969, the Academic Senate made an unanimous decision approving the development of an ethnic studies college. Major funding for the new college came from the generosity and philanthropic efforts of Margaret and Roscoe Oakes and The San Francisco Foundation.

Under the leadership of Herman Blake and Ralph Guzman, student representatives from colleges and historically marginalized groups began architectural and administrative planning. When the college opened, the housing consisted of four apartment complexes with the best ocean views on campus, separate from the academic

and administrative buildings. In 1988, four residence halls were added to accommodate a growing student population. The vision of former Oakes students, faculty and first Provost Blake was manifested in a multicultural community, dedicated to the goals of equality and freedom from oppression. This vision would later yield a high quality education for students from diverse cultural and class backgrounds. For these reasons, student-faculty interaction was encouraged, as well as a strong counseling component, to address personal issues. Quotas were rejected in favor of recruiting people from all backgrounds, and a core curriculum focused on cultural pluralism was created to further the understanding of these diverse backgrounds. It was, has been and is a hope and reality that learning be promoted not only in the academic surrounding, but also in the residential setting at Oakes. As a student at Oakes, you will have the opportunity to appreciate a diversity of cultures, including your own, and to build a strong, supportive community dedicated to promoting social responsibility and academic excellence.

Since its founding, Oakes College has been committed to intellectual, academic and personal inquiry rooted in the possibility of affecting positive change. As a multi-cultural community, we encourage the exchange of cross-cultural perspectives. Our efforts to understand, accept and celebrate human diversity are a source of exceptional strength. Through this committed inquiry, we often bring issues to the campus community's attention.

### Facilities, Programs and Activities

The Oakes College Programs Office provides educational, social and recreational programs for Oakes students, including fall orientation and Oakes Commencement. A variety of cultural and social awareness programs promote dialogue and communication between the Oakes and UC Santa Cruz communities. Other events coordinated during the academic year are: Oakes Annual Drag Ball, block party barbecues, Underdome three-on-three Basketball Tourney, Solidarity Tongue open mics, movie screenings, College Night community dinners, faculty discussions and more.





The Oakes Core Course addresses and challenges stereotypes that have historically prevented different cultures from living together. There is a vibrant mixture of people from various racial, ethnic, and class backgrounds and sexual orientations living in our residence halls and apartments. We create programs that celebrate these themes, in conjunction with other traditional holidays and celebrations.

The Student Government of Oakes College, Oakes Senate, is open to any affiliated student who wishes to become part of the student leadership of the college.

The Guzman Room, adjacent to the Oakes Café, provides comfy couches, a foosball table and art gallery space as well as a big screen TV, VCR and DVD player. Grab some food, hang out, and enjoy movie nights and other events.

Oakes Library (Rm. 104) is a quiet room to study in, especially between classes. The Library offers quiet and group study space for Oakes students all day and into the evenings.

The Oakes Learning Center offers study space, activity space, tutors, and more. A computer lab is also located here.

## Housing Options

So, are you ready to make some decisions about where you want to live at Oakes? These next pages include the variety of options available to first-year at Oakes College. Please take the following pages seriously and explore your options: your residence hall room will be your home for the entire school year! Living at Oakes will be a rewarding experience!

### Living in the Residence Halls

Most students live in coed residence halls, in which members of all genders live in the same hall or floor. Bathrooms may be coed and are

designed for privacy, while bedrooms are single-gender spaces.

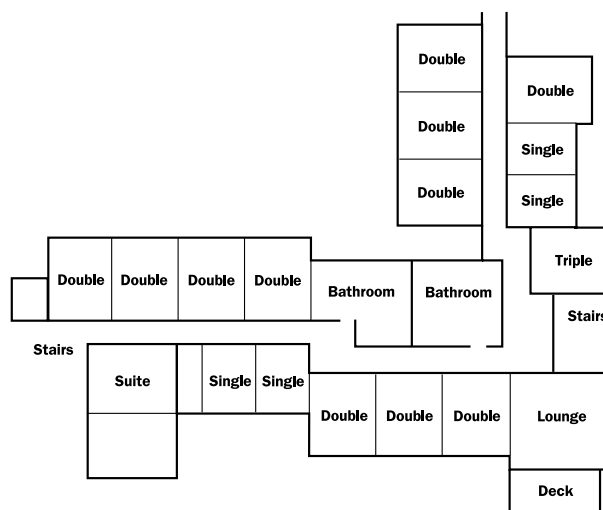
There are one or two common bathrooms, consisting of toilets, sinks and showers on each floor of the residence halls. All toilet stalls have locking doors, and all showers have a ceiling to floor curtain as well as a changing stall with a ceiling to floor curtain. On single-gender floors, bathrooms are reserved for that gender only.

The four, three-story Oakes residence halls offer a variety of single, double, triple and quad rooms. Each room is furnished with:

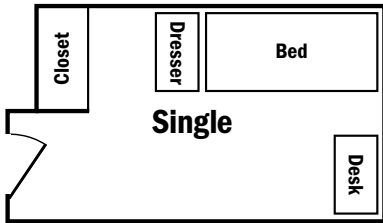
- Extra long twin bed
- Three drawer desk and chair
- Three drawer dresser
- Three wall mounted book shelves
- One closet or wardrobe per student
- Trash can
- Window drapes
- Full carpeting
- Two overhead lights
- Vacuums provided

Each residence hall has one laundry room and two lounges. Kitchen facilities are not available in the residence halls.

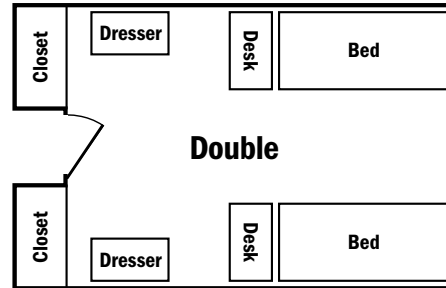
SAMPLE RESIDENCE HALL FLOOR PLAN  
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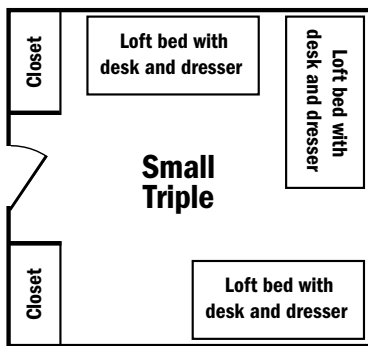
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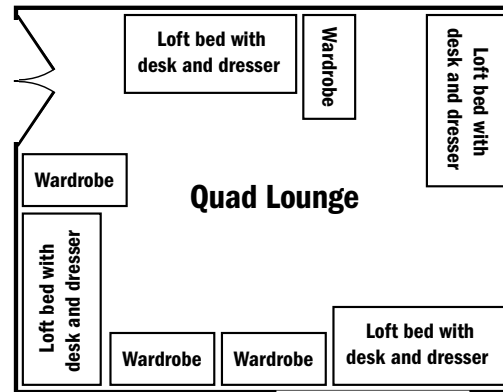
**Single:** Private rooms available only to upperclassmen



**Double:** Shared room with one other person



**Small Triple:** Shared room with three people, lofted beds, reserved for first-year students



**Quad Lounge:** A converted residence hall lounge on the top floor of the building, shared with four first-year students. Large, private deck with a magnificent view of Monterey Bay, lofted beds, limited number available.

Virtual tours of rooms are online at  
[housing.ucsc.edu/tours/oakes](https://housing.ucsc.edu/tours/oakes)

The Oakes Residence Halls exterior doors are controlled by a card access system. Your ID card serves as your residence hall key into the buildings, and only Oakes residence hall members have access to the exterior doors. Doors are locked 24-hours a day seven days a week. To gain access to the building, a guest must call you from an exterior campus phone to arrange admittance.





### Single Gender

This housing option is for students who prefer to live in female only or male only floors or apartments.

### Gender Neutral Housing

This option is ideal for students whose gender identification and/or gender expression varies from the standard paradigm, as well as any student sensitive to the concerns of transgender people. The gender neutral room option allows for same-gender or other-gender identities to live together regardless of biological sex. Students wishing to live in a gender neutral room who do not self-select a roommate on their housing application will be assigned a roommate based on answers provided on the Lifestyle Questionnaire and follow up interviews.

### Quiet Floor

If you like to live in an atmosphere where noise and loud music is more carefully monitored, consider choosing to live on a designated quiet floor.

### Science Community

If you are:

- highly motivated
- committed to developing your best capabilities
- interested in forming a study group with your neighbors
- ready to get a jump on your first fast-paced 10-week quarter

The Oakes Science Community is made up of science students at Oakes College. Located in Bantu Stephen Biko House (residence hall), the community provides students who are interested in science majors and careers an opportunity to live and learn together in a dynamic, intentional learning environment. Through a range of special programs, information, mentoring, collaborative study tables and an on-site graduate student “scientist in residence”, we hope to foster excellence in these demanding fields of study.

Indicate your interest on the Lifestyle Questionnaire when you apply for housing.

### Multicultural Theme Housing

At Oakes students live in an inclusive community. Multicultural Theme Housing provides a space for every student to learn about important socio-political and cultural figures who have contributed to the liberation of marginalized groups on local and global levels. In addition, Multicultural Theme Housing encourages residents to come together and find commonality. Education at Oakes is based upon the shared experiences of different peoples interacting in a multi-faceted learning environment.

### Biko House

While Nelson Mandela is the living embodiment of the anti-apartheid struggle, Steven Biko was the martyr of the movement. Biko House is named after Bantu Stephen Biko, a progressive Black South African leader. He believed that the struggle for Black liberation could succeed if led by the people rather than a select few. He was one of the many articulators of the Black consciousness movement. This movement was geared towards preparing Black youth for a new phase in the struggle for freedom. For his anti-apartheid work, he was “banned” by the South African government, forbidden to speak to more than one person at a time, or to function fully as a political personality. In fear of his activism, the South African Security Police arrested him and subjected him to many hours of interrogation and torture. He sustained several blows to the head which damaged his brain and led to his death at the age of 30. The influence of Bantu Stephen Biko lives on in the ideals of millions of South Africans and others in the world who struggle to free themselves from oppression.

### Casa Huerta

Dolores Huerta is the Chicana activist and Vice President of the United Farm Workers of America (UFWA). A leader of Chicano farm workers (campesinos) in California for the past thirty-five years, she is publicly recognized as a central figure in the struggle for economic and racial justice in the United States. Equally significant, Huerta’s career debunks prevailing myths of femininity and of “women’s work,” the stereotypical notion that the only place for women is “in the home.”

Her personal history offers an inspiring example for women challenging sexism and patriarchal domination. Huerta has visited and spoken on the UC Santa Cruz campus several times.

### Bayit Wiesel

Elie Wiesel was born in Sighet, Transylvania on September 30, 1928. At age 15, he and his family were sent to the Auschwitz concentration camp. As a survivor and witness of the Holocaust, he has dedicated his life to the quest of justice for all oppressed people. Wiesel's experience has compelled him to write more than thirty works regarding the Holocaust. His efforts as an author and human rights activist have earned him the Congressional Gold Medal of Achievement, the Medal of Liberty Award and the 1986 Nobel Peace Prize. Elie Wiesel visited the dorm and met with students in 1996.

### Hong-Lim House

Maxine Hong Kingston's books are among the most widely read multicultural books in the national public school system. She was born in Stockton, California. Her parents came to the United States in the 1930s from a peasant village in China. As a child, she learned the millennia-old Chinese legends, traditions and folk beliefs that helped her make sense of her own life. Her autobiographical novel, *The Woman Warrior - Memoirs of a Girlhood Among Ghosts*, and her book, *China Men*, won national awards.

Genny Lim is a native of San Francisco. The author of *Paper Angels*, a prize winning drama about Chinese immigrants detained on Angel Island, Lim also co-authored *Island: Poetry and*

*History of Chinese Immigrants on Angel Island: 1910-1940*. Lim has been honored with the American Book Award and the 1988 New Genre fellowship from the California Arts Council. She teaches theater and women's literature at the New College of California in San Francisco, and conducts the Poets in the Galleries program at the Fine Arts Museums of the San Francisco Arts Commission. She was the graduation speaker at Oakes College in June of 1995.

### Casa Kahlo (continuing students only)

Casa Kahlo is named after Magdalena Carmen Frida Kahlo Calderón. Born in the city of Coyoacán, México in 1907, Kahlo was a woman ahead of her time. Kahlo identified herself as a Latina feminist, bisexual and physically challenged woman. In her lifetime she created a form of art recognized around the world as distinctive from the major movements in art during her time. Frida Kahlo's paintings reflect the physical and spiritual suffering she endured during her life. Her passion for artistic expression and commitment to social activism were primary investments for this woman, who in her early 20s suffered a severe accident that not only left her permanently disabled, but unable to conceive children. Today, her legacy persists as a testimony to the inner strength of many women who face insurmountable odds, yet succeed in powerful and meaningful ways.

### Shabazz Block (continuing students only)

Shabazz Block is named after El Hajj Malik and Betty El Shabazz. El Hajj Malik is the Muslim name of deceased civil rights activist and religious leader Malcolm X. He chose the name Malcolm X to represent the absence of a last name, forever lost





for many African-Americans through slavery. A gifted orator, Malcolm X encouraged independent thought and cultural pride, while advocating self-defense in the face of oppression.

Betty El Shabazz, deceased wife of Malcolm X, was the director of communication and public relations at Medgar Evers College of the City University of New York. El Hajj Malik and Betty El Shabazz's partnership represents the strength and unity of the African-American family.

### **Milk Block** (continuing students only)

Harvey Milk was the first openly gay public official in San Francisco who served as a County Supervisor. His Jewish background was also a significant part of his identity. Unofficially known as the "Mayor of Castro Street," Milk was instrumental in developing a safe community for gay and lesbian people in San Francisco. "The Castro" remains one of the most dynamic cultural and political centers of queer life in the U.S. Milk's leadership brought new hope to the gay, lesbian and bisexual rights movement. In November 1978, Milk's career and life were cut short when he was shot and killed by a fellow San Francisco official who opposed Milk's political and humanistic ideals. Milk remains a symbol of hope and struggle in the midst of multiple oppressors.

### **Lili'uokalani-Minami Block**

(continuing students only)

Lili'uokalani-Minami Block is named after Queen Lili'uokalani and Dale Minami, both integral figures in Asian American and Pacific Islander movements for equity and justice.

Queen Lili'uokalani was the last Queen of Hawaii. Initially resisting American annexation of Hawaii as a territory, Queen Lili'uokalani finally surrendered to United States military forces to avoid the bloodshed of her people, already being decimated by Western diseases. Currently, Lili'uokalani is a strong symbol of self determination and sovereignty for indigenous peoples. Queen Lili'uokalani's legacy continues in the present movement for the sovereignty of native Hawaiian peoples.

Dale Minami is a sansei (third generation Japanese American) attorney best known for his work demanding redress and reparations for Japanese Americans unconstitutionally interned in concentration camps during World War II. Minami was an integral part of a mass multicultural coalition, which demanded a government apology and symbolic monetary compensation for the injustices inflicted upon over 120,000 Japanese Americans. After many years of intensely pressuring the U.S. government, the redress and reparations movement succeeded in 1988. Minami was also a founding member of the Asian Law Caucus, a nonprofit, legal organization in San Francisco. Currently, Minami practices in San Francisco and is known in many communities for his pro bono work.



## UC Santa Cruz Dining

Students find mealtime an opportunity to meet old and new friends, visit and relax, and, of course, eat! All students living in campus residence halls and apartments (except The Village) are required to have a meal plan. Carefully select the meal plan option that you think best suits your needs. If you wish to alter your meal plan during the year, changes for the following quarter may be made online during the specified filing period. All meal plans include additional Flexi Dollars that can be used in a college coffee shop, dining hall or other campus dining outlets.

Dining halls are located throughout the campus. Your student ID card, which also functions as your meal card and bus pass, may be used at all of the dining halls, as well as several campus coffee shops on campus.

The dining halls offer a wide selection of freshly prepared entrées, a soup and salad bar, deli bar, fruits, beverages, and desserts. In addition to the regular meal program, several features contribute variety and fun to the dining hall atmosphere: special College Night entrées, chef creations, vegetarian and vegan entrées, and specialty bars. The offerings are always freshly prepared and well balanced. Menus and nutritional information can be viewed at [dining.ucsc.edu](http://dining.ucsc.edu).

If you are in the mood for just a light meal or snack, Flexi Dollars are gladly accepted at all of the coffee shops and retail restaurants on campus.

### **Food Service Advisers**

The university Food Service Adviser (FSA) program offers a unique opportunity for students to be involved in the dining program. The FSA is a liaison between UC Santa Cruz Dining managers and college students/administrators. You will frequently see FSAs in the dining hall talking with students. Your FSA will also maintain bulletin boards, post weekly menus and wellness information, and announce special FSA activities. Get to know your FSA and feel free to make contact by phone, e-mail, through the college office, or at the designated bulletin board location.

### **College Nights**

College Nights have been a special tradition at UCSC since the founding of the campus in 1965. The custom of special dinners at the college where students, faculty, and staff gather together to share a meal and a program of entertainment or enlightenment has been a core part of college community since the beginning. Student involvement in College Night is always welcome!



### **Oakes Café**

Oakes Café is an eclectic place to hang out and enjoy favorites like chargrilled burgers, chicken sandwiches, signature salads and great beverages. Open late night, espressos and lattes help to fuel long study sessions. 55 meals per quarter plan holders can exchange dining hall meals for Oakes Café menu items.



## What To Bring

Listed below are some items that you will need to bring with you to make your life in the residential buildings more comfortable. Please remember the college has no storage space for your personal belongings. Bring only what can fit in your room.

- Alarm clock
- Bathrobe, bath/beach towels, shower shoes
- Bedding (blankets, pillows, pillow cases, extra long twin sheets)
- Compact fluorescent light bulb (preferred)
- Decorations
- Desk lamp/light bulbs (no halogen—consider energy efficient LED or compact fluorescent)
- Ear plugs, headphones
- Emergency kit (see [housing.ucsc.edu/emergency-kit](http://housing.ucsc.edu/emergency-kit))
- Ethernet cable
- Landline phone
- Laundry items (basket, detergent, hangers, iron)
- Lock (for your bike and/or computer)
- Plate, cups, silverware
- Power strips (UL approved, with surge protector)
- Rain gear, umbrella
- Reusable water bottle
- Sleeping bag
- TV cable



## What Not To Bring

- Alcohol or other drugs and paraphernalia
- Amplified instruments or drum sets
- BBQ grills, charcoal, lighter fluid, propane
- Candles, lanterns, hookahs, smoking devices or other fire hazardous items
- Extension cords (without an internal circuit breaker)
- Firearms, knives or other weapons
- Fireworks
- Halogen lamps
- Paintball guns, airguns, BB guns
- Pets (except fish, in up to 10-gallon tank)
- Portable heater
- Second-hand furniture
- Skateboards, roller skates, in-line skates

## Frequently Asked Questions

### When will I receive my housing assignment?

Your housing assignment, including roommate information, will be sent to your UCSC email account by mid-August.

### Will I have to move out between quarters?

You may not stay in your room during the winter break period. You may stay in your room during the Thanksgiving and spring break periods as they are covered by the housing contract. Please note that dining service is not available for either break period. Please see the *Terms and Conditions* for more information about quarter breaks at [housing.ucsc.edu/terms](http://housing.ucsc.edu/terms).

### How do I establish telephone, Internet and cable services?

UC Santa Cruz ITS Telecommunications is a modern communications network that provides voice and data services for students living on campus.

## Telephone Service

The ability to make local and toll-free calls is provided in all on-campus residential rooms as part of your room rate. One telephone line and one voicemail box will be assigned to each double or single room. Rooms with three or more people will have two lines and two voicemail boxes. Setting up voicemail is important since this is how students are notified in case of a campus-wide emergency. You are expected to activate the voicemail account associated with your phone after you move in. How-to Instructions will be provided in the materials you receive on move-in day. You will need a calling card to make long distance calls from your room. Calling cards are available at many retail locations, including the Bay Tree Bookstore on campus. Telephone numbers will be pre-assigned to the room, not to an individual student, for the duration of the academic year. If you move to another room, you will use the number assigned to your new room.

Bring your own touchtone telephone. Students in a double room need only one telephone to share, while students in a triple room will need a total of two telephones. When you get your room assignment, you and your roommate(s) may want to talk about who will bring the phone. For more information, visit ITS Telecommunications online at [its.ucsc.edu/services/telephone](http://its.ucsc.edu/services/telephone) or call (831) 459-3111.

## Internet Access and Computing Support

ResNet, which stands for RESidential NETwork, provides a direct connection to the campus network and the Internet using the ethernet port in your room. There are ports in all bedrooms. Most computers come ethernet-ready and no special fees

or charges apply. For information about computer standards, specifications, or other questions, see the ResNet web site at [resnet.ucsc.edu](http://resnet.ucsc.edu). You can also e-mail questions to [resnet@ucsc.edu](mailto:resnet@ucsc.edu) or call the ResNet Help Desk at (831) 459-4638.

CruzNet is the wireless network at UC Santa Cruz and allows you to connect to the Internet from 400 access points across campus. This service may or may not be available inside your bedroom, but is generally available in all study lounges, cafes, and libraries.

## Cell Phone Service

The UC Santa Cruz campus is located on a large hill overlooking Santa Cruz and the Monterey Bay, and the campus has many tall redwood trees and buildings that are situated within the trees. Service at UC Santa Cruz may be sporadic. Please consult with cell phone service providers before purchasing a cell phone to bring to campus. It is your responsibility to update your student portal ([my.ucsc.edu](http://my.ucsc.edu)), if your cell phone will be your primary contact phone.

## Cable Network and Radio Station

All college residences are connected to basic cable via telecommunications jacks in the rooms. Residents can connect to on-campus student programming or dozens of local and national broadcast channels.

Established in 1973, KZSC Santa Cruz 88.1 FM is a listener-supported, commercial-free, educational radio station located at the University of California, Santa Cruz. KZSC broadcasts 10,000 watts to the Monterey Bay Area 365 days a year. Tune in and you'll find everything under the sun: public affairs, comedy, news, surf, jazz, rock, punk, reggae and funk.

## How do I get my mail and what will my new address be?

You will be able to receive mail and packages at your college. The College Office is responsible for assigning a mailbox to each student. Issues with your mailbox should be directed to the College Office. When you arrive on campus, you will receive your college mailbox number. Your address will be:





Your Name  
UC Santa Cruz  
Oakes College  
150 Heller Drive  
Santa Cruz, CA 95064

The college does not have space to store packages, so plan to have your packages arrive after you do.

### **Are laundry facilities available?**

Yes, facilities in the college are equipped with card-operated washers and dryers. Machines for loading money on to your card are located throughout the college.

### **Can I decorate my room?**

If you wish to hang items on the wall to decorate your room, you can do so. Please use push pins or picture hangers. Using nails or screws is not permitted. Items may not be affixed to the ceiling. Students will be billed for any accidental or intentional property damage done to college or university property.

### **Can I cook in my room?**

For fire safety reasons, hot plates, electric or gas grills, toaster ovens or other cooking appliances are not allowed. Microwaves are permitted in the residence hall bedrooms.

### **Can I have guests?**

The housing contract allows a student to have a visitor stay in her/his room, with restrictions.

Please talk to your roommate(s) about guests. Students may have a guest(s) for up to three (3) consecutive days and up to fifteen (15) days during one academic year. Residents are responsible for the actions of their guests at all times. See the *Terms and Conditions* of residence for specific policy details.

### **Should I bring my bike? Where can I store it?**

Yes, if you like to ride on hills. Be sure to bring a high quality bike lock so that you can secure it at the bike racks located on campus. The college assumes no responsibility for damage, theft or loss. When you arrive to campus you should contact UCSC police to register your bike.

### **Can I bring my skateboard or in-line skates?**

The use of skateboards, rollerskates or in-line skates anywhere on campus is prohibited. This policy is enforced by the UC Santa Cruz Police Department and citations are issued.

### **Can I bring my car to campus?**

Parking regulations are strictly enforced, and all eligible students who bring a car to campus must purchase a permit in advance. First-year students and sophomores who live in university housing (including The Village and University Town Center) are not eligible for a parking permit. Eligible students must apply for a parking permit through the Transportation and Parking Services (TAPS) web site at [taps.ucsc.edu](http://taps.ucsc.edu). Contact the TAPS Sales Office at (831) 459-4543, if you have questions about parking.



## How do I get around campus without a car?

Even without a car, movement around our spacious campus is made easier by the network of foot and bicycle paths, and an extensive campus shuttle system. Both day and night shuttles provide wheelchair-accessible services and are free of charge. TAPS also operates a Disability Van Service, which provides transportation to those with mobility impairments. Additionally, the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District (Metro) provides regular and convenient bus transportation to campus and to outlying areas around the Santa Cruz community. This service is funded by a mandatory student fee. You may ride any Metro bus without additional charge by showing your current UCSC identification card to the driver.

UC Santa Cruz is also among a growing list of college communities that support a new alternative to car ownership: Zipcar. Zipcar is a membership-based program that allows you to use a car when needed, while avoiding the costs and headaches of car ownership. Zipcar provides self-service access to safe, convenient, reliable cars located on campus and in the community. Students 18 years of age and older are eligible to apply. For more information, visit [zipcar.com/ucsc](http://zipcar.com/ucsc).

## I'm flying in – how do I get from the airport to Santa Cruz?

UC Santa Cruz is located approximately 40 miles south of San Jose International Airport and about 70 miles south of San Francisco International and Oakland International Airports. All services listed below connect with university buses. A number of companies provide transportation from the airport.

This listing is a starting point and is neither an endorsement of these businesses nor a complete listing of services in the area:

### ABACUS TRANSPORTATION

PHONE: (831) 469-3333 OR (877) 291-3300

### ABC TRANSPORTATION

PHONE: (800) 734-4313

### EXPRESSO LIMOUSINE

PHONE: (831) 429-5466

### GREYHOUND

PHONE: (800) 229-9424

### HIGHWAY 17 EXPRESS

WEB: [taps.ucsc.edu/airports.html](http://taps.ucsc.edu/airports.html)

## Are there banks on campus? What banking services are available in Santa Cruz?

Most major California banks have branches in Santa Cruz. Check with your local office for branch information. Bay Federal Credit Union (831) 479-6000, Bank of America (831) 457-3560 and Wells Fargo (831) 469-3525 have on-campus automatic teller machines at Quarry Plaza. The University Cashier's Office will cash checks up to \$25.00 with a valid student ID for a 25¢ service charge.

## What's the weather like?

Santa Cruz weather is variable, but mild overall. In the fall, the weather usually remains quite





warm and comfortable through November, at which point we begin to experience the lower temperatures and rain that winter brings to Santa Cruz. This weather generally lasts through March, when it begins warming up again for springtime.

### **What recreation facilities are available?**

A valid UC Santa Cruz student ID grants you access to a variety of athletic facilities at the East Field House, including an Olympic-sized pool, tennis and basketball courts, and the state-of-the-art Wellness Center, fully equipped with a variety of aerobic, cardiovascular, and weightlifting equipment.

### **How can I be part of campus sustainability?**

UCSC is dedicated to sustainability. We actively support recycling and waste reduction, and there is strong participation by students, faculty, and staff across campus. You can be part of the solution by bringing your own reusable plate, bowl, cup, and flatware when you move in. These can be used when you attend programs offered by your college. If you are interested in finding out more about how you can get involved in UCSC's sustainability efforts, you can check out [sustainability.ucsc.edu](http://sustainability.ucsc.edu).

### **Can I get a tour, or learn more about the college?**

Campus tours are offered all year long through the Admissions Office. Visit [admissions.ucsc.edu/campustours](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/campustours). You can request a Oakes College tour by calling (831) 459-3988. Individual rooms and apartments may not be available for viewing.

### **What is the college system?**

All undergraduate students, whether they live on campus or not, are affiliated with one of 10 residential colleges at UC Santa Cruz. Each college provides academic support, organizes student activities, and sponsors events that enhance the intellectual and social life of the campus in addition to housing students in small-scale residential communities. Every college community includes students with diverse backgrounds and academic goals. Your college affiliation is independent of your choice of major.

### **How safe is the campus?**

While the university community and the town of Santa Cruz are considered friendly and relatively safe communities, neither is immune to the realities of the world. You will need to take precautions to secure your personal property. You must also consider your personal security and be aware of vulnerable situations. Keep your roommate and neighbors informed of your whereabouts and when you will be returning home. When possible, travel with a friend and refer to campus maps for the lighted paths. Report any suspicious activity immediately to your college staff or the police. Your careful attention to security is in everyone's best interest.

## **Policies and Rules**

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The university and the colleges adhere to all federal, state and local laws. It is our goal to provide a safe, secure and educational community for our residents. In that spirit, this list is compiled to highlight some of the college's policies, procedures and regulations. All of these are in conjunction with the university policies stipulated in the UC Santa Cruz *Student Policies and Regulations Handbook, Terms and Conditions of*



residence and the College Handbook. This is by no means a complete list.

It is your responsibility to know the rules of both the college and the university. For more information about specific rules and policies, refer to the *Student Policies and Regulations Handbook* online at [www2.ucsc.edu/judicial](http://www2.ucsc.edu/judicial).

## **Aerial Objects**

Safety concerns prohibit throwing anything from or at the buildings, windows, or balconies. Additionally, quads, patio areas, and public walkways are not to be used for play involving the throwing or kicking of any object. Residents are responsible for damages or clean-up charges that result from such action and are subject to possible college/university judicial sanctions.

## **Alcohol**

Federal and state laws, as well as university policy, prohibit alcoholic beverages from being sold, furnished, possessed by, or given to any person under the age of 21. In addition, no possession or transportation of open containers or consumption of alcoholic beverages will be allowed in public areas by any person, regardless of age or college affiliation. Kegs or other “common source” containers holding alcoholic beverages are not allowed on campus and may result in termination of your housing contract.

## **Animals and Pets**

No pets (except fish in a 10-gallon or smaller aquarium) are allowed in the residential community.

## **Balconies and Building Exteriors**

Objects are not allowed to be displayed, draped, or placed outside of residential buildings and apartments. Additionally, items may not be placed on balconies or affixed to railings. Items may be removed and residents may be held responsible for this policy violation.

## **Bicycles**

To comply with fire regulations and for general purposes of safety, bicycles may not be parked



in walkways, hallways, stairways, or entryways. Illegally parked bicycles may be removed by college staff. It is a requirement to equip your bicycle with the appropriate lights and reflectors. We strongly recommend all bikes be secured with a lock.

## **Candles, Incense, or Sage**

No smoking materials, including the items listed above, can be burned in any residential room or apartment.

## **Drugs and Drug Paraphernalia**

The university and the college must adhere to all federal and state laws as they pertain to illegal substances. Delivering, furnishing, transferring, manufacturing, using, and possessing illicit drugs or drug paraphernalia is strictly prohibited at the university. Additionally, the university does not recognize the privileges associated with a medical marijuana card. Drug paraphernalia is defined as all equipment, material, and products intended for use or designed for use in growing, processing, harvesting, storing, concealing, injecting, ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing a controlled substance into the human body. Violation of these laws and policies will result in judicial action at the college level and may result in police and local, state, and/or federal intervention.

## **Fire Safety**

Any person who willfully tampers, covers, restricts, or breaks any public or private fire alarm apparatus



or any fire fighting equipment or gives, transmits, or sounds any false alarm of fire is guilty of a misdemeanor. Any such violation could result in disciplinary action and a maximum fine of \$500 and six months in jail. Extinguishers and alarms are for your use, should the need arise. The cost of refilling a misused extinguisher, as well as any damages resulting from the extinguisher being discharged, will be charged to the person or persons responsible.

**Furniture**

Furniture may not be removed from any residence room/apartment or common area. Students found in possession of college/university furniture, other than what was assigned to their room/apartment, may be charged for its replacement. Residents found to have dismantled furniture without college permission will be charged for all costs related to reassembling the furniture and replacement costs. Room, apartment, and lounge furniture may not be taken outside and/or onto patios, decks, or balconies.

**Halogen Lamps**

Because of the high risk of fire, all halogen lamps are prohibited in residential facilities.

**Harassment Policy**

Physical and verbal harassment will not be tolerated by students, staff, or faculty and is prohibited on the UC Santa Cruz campus. If any form of harassment occurs, notify a staff member

immediately. It is the policy of the college and the university that the working and learning environment shall be free of harassment, including any form of sexual harassment. The college and the university will take action to eliminate harassment. For further information on sexual harassment please refer to the Student Policies and Regulations at [www2.ucsc.edu/judicial](http://www2.ucsc.edu/judicial) or contact the campus Title IX Officer at (831) 459-2462.

**Inappropriate Behavior**

Any students who are a danger to themselves or other community members, or who refuse intervention for a situation harmful to themselves or others, may be asked to leave and/or be restricted from the college residential area.

**Musical Instruments**

Instruments are allowed in the residential facilities however amplification and drum sets are not permitted in the residential facilities. Instrument use must conform to established noise policies.

**Noise Policy**

Due to the nature of our living spaces, it is very easy to disturb classes and/or your neighbors with music or other noise. To preserve academic and community standards, noise levels must be held to a minimum at all times and students will be expected to adhere to the college’s quiet hours. It is the responsibility of each resident to make sure his/her activities are not disturbing to others.

**Pests**

Pests such as bedbugs are a resurging, worldwide problem and have been found in five-star hotels, college residences, hospitals, and virtually all other types of housing throughout the United States. Students are expected to play their part in ensuring that such pests are not introduced into our community. All items brought into the residences should be free of pests—including clothing, bedding, suitcases, backpacks, packing materials, furniture (avoid bringing any second-hand furniture), and other belongings. Students should take precautions when traveling away from campus to avoid acquiring pests so as not to introduce

an infestation in university housing. While in residence you are expected to maintain a clean and sanitary residence, free of clutter, and to inspect the residence periodically. If you discover or suspect a pest problem seek assistance by placing a work order ([fixit.ucsc.edu](http://fixit.ucsc.edu)). Please do not attempt to treat a problem yourself. Our staff is trained to handle these situations and can arrange for the room or apartment to be inspected and, if necessary, cleaned by extermination experts.

### **Smoking Policy**

In accordance with the UC Santa Cruz Policy for a Smoke-Free Environment, all residence halls and apartments are smoke-free. Smoking is prohibited inside the residence halls (including student rooms) as well as residence hall lounges, inside individual apartments, community rooms, bathrooms, lounges, cafés, and dining halls. Additionally, smoking is prohibited in all indoor public spaces at UC Santa Cruz - both academic and residential. This no smoking policy includes exterior stairways, decks and balconies. Smoking outside is permitted only in designated areas, at least 25 feet away from all buildings and air intakes, and not in any wooded or bush areas.





## Student Life and Housing Staff

### College Administrative Officer (CAO)

The College Administrative Officer is the chief administrative officer responsible for the overall planning, development and coordination of the business and operational functions of the college and student life program including supervision of the staff, fiscal management, policy development, and facilities management. The CAO works in collaboration with the college Provost to further the mission of the college.

### Associate College Administrative Officer (ACAO)

The ACAO is responsible for the Student Life Program. This includes oversight of residential living and non-academic student conduct aspects of the college. The ACAO supervises the Housing Coordinator and CREs.

### Housing Coordinator

The Housing Coordinator is responsible for roommate assignments, contract changes, and the management of the Housing Office. The Housing Coordinator will help you with needs or questions related to your housing or student life at Oakes College.

### Coordinator for Residential Education (CRE)

CREs are full-time professional staff members who reside at the college and coordinate all aspects of the residential life for their respective residential areas. They are responsible for the selection, training, and supervision of the Neighborhood Assistants, advise student groups and programs, assist with various aspects of the Housing Office, and act as judicial officers. Additionally, they are resources for students when questions or concerns arise.

### College Programs Office

The Programs Office works to plan orientation, graduation, as well as many events and programs. The College Programs Office sponsors a wide range of fun events at the college each year to ensure an enjoyable and social living community. The Programs Office supervises the Student

Programs Assistants and the college tech-crew. In addition, the office advises the Oakes College Senate.

### Neighborhood Assistant (NA)

NAs are undergraduate students who have been selected and trained to serve as community leaders. NAs work to develop and maintain a safe, positive, and productive living environment. The NAs address community issues, plan educational and social activities, provide resources and support to residents, and ensure that community standards are upheld.

### Maintenance and Custodial Staff

The Maintenance staff is available for repairs in your room and throughout the residential buildings. Requests for service are made via the “fixit” web site at [fixit.ucsc.edu](http://fixit.ucsc.edu). Custodians are people you will come to know, respect, and appreciate. All residential buildings are staffed with custodians who work cooperatively with students to make each residential building a clean and safe place to live. They do general cleaning of public areas, bathrooms, lounges, and hallways, as well as other specific tasks to maintain good housekeeping throughout the buildings. Individual room cleaning is the responsibility of each resident.

### Community Safety Program

Community Safety Officers (CSOs) patrol university residential communities, both on and off campus, every night and perform a wide range of duties including emergency and disaster response, policy enforcement, and other duties in order to help build a safer, more secure community.



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## Contact Information

### Oakes College Office

(for general college information, including academic advising)

PHONE: (831) 459-2558

WEB: [oakes.ucsc.edu](http://oakes.ucsc.edu)

### Oakes College Student Life and Housing Office

(keys, room assignments, roommates)

PHONE: (831) 459-3988

E-MAIL: [oakeshousing@ucsc.edu](mailto:oakeshousing@ucsc.edu)

WEB: [oakes.ucsc.edu](http://oakes.ucsc.edu)

### ResNet

(for Internet access information)

PHONE: (831) 459-4638

E-MAIL: [resnet@ucsc.edu](mailto:resnet@ucsc.edu)

WEB: [resnet.ucsc.edu](http://resnet.ucsc.edu)

### ITS Telecommunications

(for telephone service information)

PHONE: (831) 459-3111

WEB: [its.ucsc.edu/services/telephone](http://its.ucsc.edu/services/telephone)

## Web Resources for Parents

### UC SANTA CRUZ PARENTS GUIDE

WEB: [parents.ucsc.edu](http://parents.ucsc.edu)

### UC SANTA CRUZ POLICY ON PRIVACY OF STUDENT RECORDS

WEB: [reg.ucsc.edu/guidelines\\_qr.htm](http://reg.ucsc.edu/guidelines_qr.htm)

### UC SANTA CRUZ ACADEMIC CALENDAR

WEB: [reg.ucsc.edu/calendar](http://reg.ucsc.edu/calendar)

### OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

WEB: [reg.ucsc.edu](http://reg.ucsc.edu)

### CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

WEB: [www2.ucsc.edu/judicial/](http://www2.ucsc.edu/judicial/)

### UNIVERSITY NEWS

WEB: [news.ucsc.edu](http://news.ucsc.edu)

WEB: [review.ucsc.edu](http://review.ucsc.edu)

Phone numbers and addresses are subject to change.

# Your Housing Contract and Related Business

Before you log in to complete your online application, please read and understand the *Terms and Conditions* of residence. The *Terms and Conditions* can be found at [housing.ucsc.edu/terms](http://housing.ucsc.edu/terms).

All students living in university housing are required to acknowledge and agree to these *Terms and Conditions* when they submit their online Housing Application/Contract.

To apply for housing, log in to the housing application at [studenthousing.ucsc.edu](http://studenthousing.ucsc.edu)

- Rank your preferred housing and meal plan options
- Complete your Lifestyle Questionnaire
- Review and submit your application/contract

Please note that when you apply for housing and your housing space is confirmed, you are entering into a legally binding contract between you and the university for the entire academic year.

As part of your online Housing Application/Contract process, you will be asked to complete a Lifestyle Questionnaire. We use the information you provide us as a guide to place you in a housing space and assign one or more roommate(s) who are the most compatible with your stated preferences, wherever possible.

It is our goal to place all students in the best possible living situation. However, pursuant to the *Terms and Conditions* of residence, we make assignments based on space availability.

The **Campus Housing Office** is responsible for your application/contract records and room-and-board billing. Contact them if you have questions about your housing contract, meal plans, payment plans or billing.

## **Campus Housing Office**

104 Hahn Student Services Building  
University of California, Santa Cruz  
Santa Cruz, CA 95064

Phone: **(831) 459-2394**

Fax: **(831) 459-3665**

E-mail: [housing@ucsc.edu](mailto:housing@ucsc.edu)

Web: [housing.ucsc.edu](http://housing.ucsc.edu)

Online Application:

[studenthousing.ucsc.edu](http://studenthousing.ucsc.edu)

## **Disability-Related Housing Accommodation Needs:**

Contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC) for a request form. E-mail [drc@ucsc.edu](mailto:drc@ucsc.edu) or fax **(831) 459-5064**. Medical documentation must be submitted with your request. For University of California documentation requirements, visit the DRC web site at [drc.ucsc.edu](http://drc.ucsc.edu). Questions: **(831) 459-2089**.

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