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Porter College

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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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Welcome to Porter College!

On behalf of the Porter College Staff, we welcome you to the Porter College community. We wish you great success this year as you begin to discover more about yourself and the world around you. We are here to support you and to help make your time at Porter, and UC Santa Cruz, a positive experience.

The residence halls and apartments at Porter are an extremely active living and learning environment. Porter students appreciate the opportunity to express themselves as individuals and do so through their focus on the arts, the activities they choose to involve themselves in and through the creative method. However many students who are not involved in the arts enjoy living within the creative Porter College community as well.

The time you spend in college will be a time for many choices, adjustments and personal growth. Living with a roommate may be a new experience for some of you (sharing a bathroom with 35 other residents can be challenging at times as well). Take the time to get to know your hallmates and other members of the larger Porter community. The friendships you develop now and the lessons that you learn will have an impact on you long after you earn your degree and leave Porter College.

We encourage you to get to know your Community Assistant (CA), the Coordinator for Residential Education (CRE) assigned to your area and your Academic Preceptor. These staff members, along with the rest of the staff at Porter, can and will play a significant role in helping you have a successful year. If you have a concern or a question, please feel free to use the staff as resources of information. Don't let a small problem become a big problem. Ask for help when you need it.

As a member of the Porter College community you are expected to know your rights and responsibilities. Take the time to read through all of the information that explains your rights and responsibilities as well as the resources available to you (i.e. your Housing Contract, Porter College Guide to Student Life, UC Santa Cruz Policy on Student Conduct and Discipline, etc.) We believe that another one of our roles is to help prepare you for life after college and that helping you be responsible for your actions is the first step.

We hope this year is full of great experiences for you. Get involved inside and outside of the classroom. Be an active participant in all that is Porter College. We look forward to meeting you in the upcoming year.

Once again, welcome to Porter.

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Our College Community

Our History

Porter College, the fifth college at UC Santa Cruz, is named as a memorial to Benjamin F. Porter, the grandfather of three University of California benefactors: Porter Sesnon, Barbara Sesnon Cartan and William T. Sesnon. Benjamin F. Porter came to California in the 1850s with his cousin George, who had been attracted by glowing stories sent to them in New Hampshire by John Porter, another cousin. John Porter was a resident of Soquel in the 1840s and sheriff of Santa Cruz County in the 1850s.

The young Porter cousins traveled by sea to Panama, walked the Isthmus to the Pacific and sailed to California. After settling in Santa Cruz, Mr. Porter purchased a small parcel of land containing a tannery in the area now known as Porter Gulch.

By 1870 he had acquired adjoining lands and had built a family home. That same year, Mr. Porter became founding director of County Bank of Santa Cruz. In 1896 his only surviving child, Mary Sophia, married William T. Sesnon, a native of Alameda who later became deputy sheriff of the State of California.

Over the years, the Porter-Sesnon family has provided generous donations in support of UC Santa Cruz. In 1968, Barbara Sesnon Cartan made a gift



for the establishment of the Mary Porter Sesnon Art Gallery in memory of her mother. Other gifts have enabled the campus to give scholarships to support UC Santa Cruz students from underrepresented backgrounds. A gift of nearly 70 acres of Porter-Sesnon land has enabled the university to give capital support and an endowment to our college. The college, which was founded in 1969 as “College Five,” was formally dedicated as “Porter College” on November 21, 1981. The motto of the college is congruent with our commitment to creativity: *Ars Longa, Vita Brevis* (Life is short, Art endures).

Community Ethics

UC Santa Cruz is a public institution of higher education committed to excellence in teaching, research and public service. The student body at Porter College represents the diversity and future of our state. It is essential to the purpose of any educational institution that its members reflect a variety of backgrounds and cultures. To that end, the quality of life at our campus is best served by courteous and dignified interaction between all individuals, regardless of gender, ethnic or religious background, sexual orientation, or disability.

It is our expectation that, as members of the Porter College community, we will work to develop and





maintain a high degree of respect and civility. It is our expectation that all members of the Porter College community will join in our dedication to an atmosphere of academic freedom that is both considerate of the rights of others and mindful of the value of the diversity within our community.



Our theme, “Arts in a Multicultural Society,” points to our emphasis on both scholarly and creative endeavors. Through our academic courses and the numerous co-curricular events sponsored by Porter College, students experience diverse exhibitions and performances and learn about the cultures in which they are created, performed and interpreted. In Porter’s art galleries and informal performance venues, students may actively develop their own roles as musicians, composers, actors, playwrights, dancers, painters, filmmakers and media artists.

Distinction

“TO EXPERIENCE AND APPRECIATE THE CREATIVE PROCESS IN OURSELVES, IN OUR CULTURES, AND IN CULTURES OF THOSE VASTLY DIFFERENT FROM OURSELVES: THIS IS THE MISSION OF PORTER COLLEGE.”
—*Provost David Evan Jones*

A little less than half of all Porter students graduate with a major in one of the arts. The other half consists of students representing the sciences, humanities and engineering, who have also found compelling co-curricular reasons for affiliating with Porter College. This diversity of academic interest provides the basis for wide-ranging collaboration and debate and for the exceptional appreciation of individual differences that is a hallmark of Porter.

Regardless of their intended major, all students who share an interest in the arts and in the diverse cultures from which they emerge are encouraged to join the Porter College community.

Community Activities

Student Government

The Porter Student Senate represents Porter students on all levels. It shares student government duties with the Student Union Assembly (SUA) and the UC system-wide University of California Student Association (UCSA). Working through a number of committees, Senate seeks to improve the quality of college living and organizes events to enhance the sense of community at Porter College. Senate sponsors such programs as Porteropalooza, Playtime on the Quad, and dances. Porter Student Senate is also a major funding body for Porter student projects. Your college membership fees and the college endowment provide funding for programs and activities open to all porter students.



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In order for Senate to be effective, the involvement of a interested student body is imperative. All Porter students are voting senators until they miss one meeting. Any registered Porter student may attain the title of Senator by attending two complete, consecutive meetings of the Senate. Voting rights commence at the third meeting. All visitors have speaking rights. The chair of the Senate is elected at a college-wide town hall election each quarter. Minutes and other postings are displayed in the dining hall.

Prism

The Porter Prism facilitates community building and historical awareness through social and cultural events that specifically involve gay, lesbian, queer, bisexual, transgender, intersex, and questioning people. Supportive Allies students are always welcome and invited to gatherings and events.

College Committees

All members of the Porter community are invited to join any college committee. Current committees include Activities, Murals, Porterpalooza and Graduation.

Housing Options

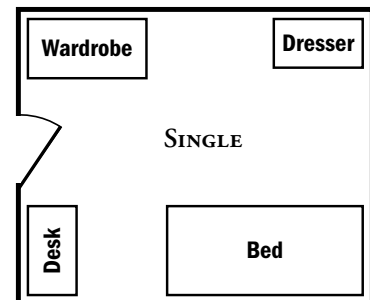
Residence Hall Living

Our first year students will live in double, triple, or quad rooms. All rooms have a bed, desk, chair, wardrobe, and dresser for each resident with trash and recycling cans to share. The rooms and halls are carpeted and the windows have shades. Each room has overhead lighting but you may want to bring an additional room or desk lamp. Please do not bring an upright halogen lamp as they are considered a fire hazard. Please do not bring additional furniture as we cannot remove or store furniture from student rooms. Additionally, we do not let students remove furniture from the rooms.

SAMPLE RESIDENCE HALL ROOM TYPES (not to scale)

Single

Porter has a very limited number of single rooms, so they are generally only available to continuing students. As singles are in high demand all year, we keep a Singles Wait List in the Housing Office in the event that rooms open up. You can add your name to the list at any time during the year. Your position on the wait list may be determined by your age, class level and length of on campus residency—not by when you sign up.

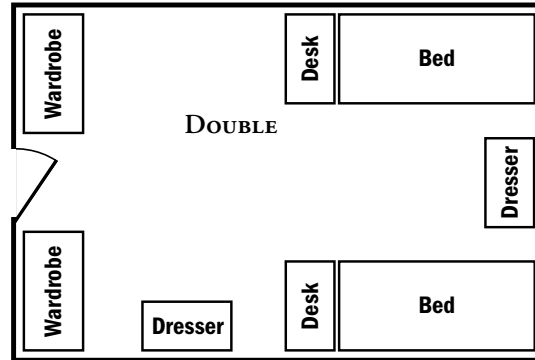




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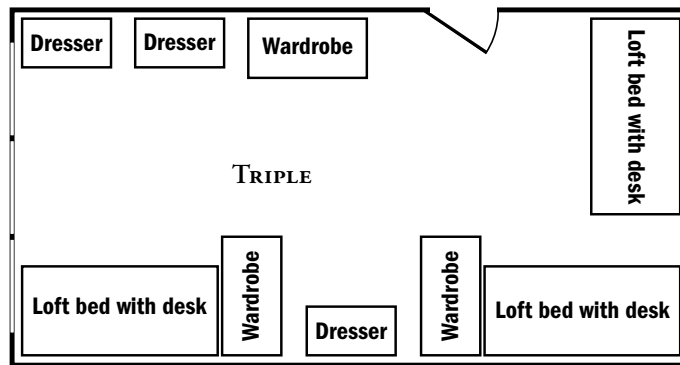
Double

One of the challenges (and joys) of living in the residence halls is learning to share your space with another student. Most first-year students will be placed into these rooms, as they are the most prevalent room type at Porter.



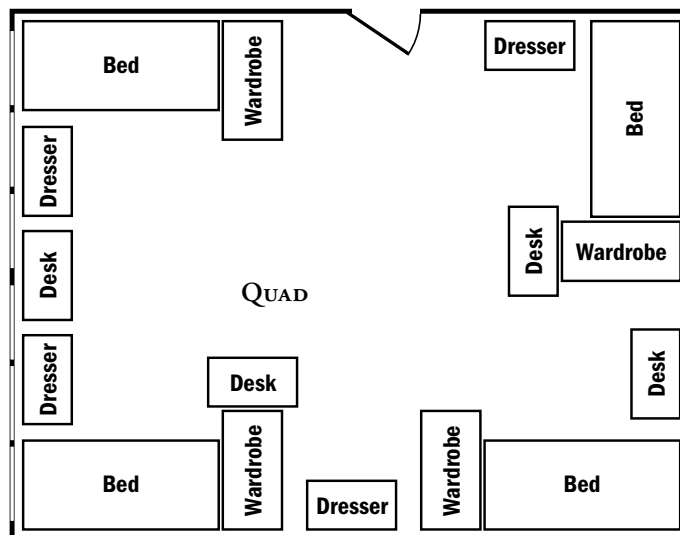
Triple

Our triple rooms appear to have a larger floor footprint due to the arrangement of the furniture. The low price makes them a popular selection and therefore may be limited in availability.



Quad

Quads, like triples, appear to have a larger floor footprint due to the arrangement of the furniture. Our quads, like triples, are economy rooms that are usually high in demand, and may be limited in availability.



Virtual tours of residence hall and apartment rooms are online at housing.ucsc.edu/tours/porter



Hall Designations

Many halls at Porter have specific designations in order to meet the interests of our residents. Following is a list of halls that we will offer this year. Although there may be limited space in some halls, we try to accommodate as many requests as possible. With the exception of the all-female/all-male hall(s), the rest of the halls are co-ed and have co-ed bathrooms. Students may only select one hall designation.

Single-Gender Areas

These halls are designed to accommodate those who prefer an all-female or all-male environment. Residents on these halls are guaranteed a single-gender bathroom. All-male halls will be available based upon interest or demand. Persons of the opposite gender are welcome as visitors, but must use a nearby coed bathroom.

Gender Neutral Room Option

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.

Intensive Academic/Quiet (Co-ed)

The Intensive Academic hall is for those who prefer to live and study in a quieter environment (available in residence halls and apartments).

Substance-Free (Co-ed)

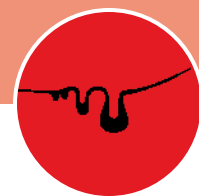
While the use of illegal substances is never permitted in UC Santa Cruz's residential facilities and alcohol use is permitted only by residents who are 21 and older (not in the company of minors), we do offer a substance-free hall that has additional expectations. Hall members agree to live in an environment free from alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Visitors agree to and respect the expectations of this hall. Residents of the Substance-Free hall are seriously committed to these expectations.

Film and Digital Media-Productions (Co-ed)

The hall provides students with a personal interest in film and digital media an opportunity to live and collaborate with other students with the same interest, regardless of major. Some examples of past programs have included:

- Participating in local film festivals – Pacific Rim and Santa Cruz Film Festivals
- Opportunity to create films that have been shown at other college programs





- Student-created film festivals
- Participating in “talk-backs” with the director(s) after a campus performance

Math, Engineering and Science Cohort (Co-ed)

This new hall will offer students majoring in Math, Engineering or the Sciences an opportunity to live among students of the same major.

GLBTIQQ and Allies (Co-ed)

Residents who identify as Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer, Questioning or an Ally may choose to live on this hall. Some examples of past programs include:

- “Transgeneration” – a documentary series that followed the lives of transgendered college students
- “Growing Up Male and Female” – a workshop facilitated by peer educators
- Queer Fashion Show (QFS) – historical Porter College program created by students which includes dance, skits, fashion, video and spoken word



College Facilities

Residence Hall Access

The Porter 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 Porter residence hall members have access to the exterior doors. To gain access to the buildings, a guest must call you from an exterior campus phone to arrange admittance.

Laundry Facilities

Two laundry facilities are available for student use. Washers and dryers for residence hall students are located in the basement of B-Building. Facilities have multiple machines that use declining balance cards.

Computer Labs

Like the other colleges, Porter has a computer lab for student use. This University-supported lab has primarily Mac computers, with advanced software and specialized equipment for graphic design, musical composition and technical illustration.

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. 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.

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!

The Porter Slug Café & Grill

The Porter Slug Café and Grill is Porter's own local coffee shop. Its accessibility, eclectic atmosphere, and reasonable prices make it a popular destination for both studying and socializing. The Porter Slug serves a variety of meal and snack options. Flexi Dollars are accepted.





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)
- 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.

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 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. You can also e-mail questions to 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), 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
Porter College
301 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. 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.

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

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 the 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 weight lifting 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.

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 to schedule a tour. College tours are available by appointment only. You can request a Porter College tour by calling (831) 459-2857. 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

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.

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 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.

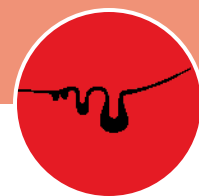
Pests

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). 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 University policy for a smoke-free environment, all university housing facilities and residences are smoke-free. Smoking is prohibited in all university housing facilities,





including student rooms and apartments, community rooms, restrooms, lounges, common areas, cafes, and dining halls. Additionally, smoking is prohibited in all indoor public spaces at UC Santa Cruz—both academic and residential. The no smoking policy also includes exterior stairways, decks, patios 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 Porter 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 Resident 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 Porter College Senate.



Community Assistant (CA)

CAs are undergraduate students who have been selected and trained to serve as community leaders. CAs work to develop and maintain a safe, positive, and productive living environment. The CAs 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. 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.



Porter College wave sculpture by Kenny Farrel. Photo by Alison Tassio.



Notes

Contact Information

Porter College Office

(for general college information, including academic advising)

PHONE: (831) 459-2273

WEB: porter.ucsc.edu

Porter College Student Life and Housing Office

(keys, room assignments, roommates)

PHONE: (831) 459-2746

E-MAIL: porterhousing@ucsc.edu

WEB: porter.ucsc.edu

Porter College Programs

PHONE: (831) 459-2857

E-MAIL: porter_activites@ucsc.edu

ResNet

(for Internet access information)

PHONE: (831) 459-4638

E-MAIL: resnet@ucsc.edu

WEB: resnet.ucsc.edu

ITS Telecommunications

(for telephone service information)

PHONE: (831) 459-3111

WEB: its.ucsc.edu/services/telephone

Web Resources for Parents

UC SANTA CRUZ PARENTS GUIDE

WEB: parents.ucsc.edu

UC SANTA CRUZ POLICY ON PRIVACY OF STUDENT RECORDS

WEB: reg.ucsc.edu/guidelines_qr.htm

UC SANTA CRUZ ACADEMIC CALENDAR

WEB: reg.ucsc.edu/calendar

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

WEB: reg.ucsc.edu

CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT

WEB: www2.ucsc.edu/judicial/

UNIVERSITY NEWS

WEB: news.ucsc.edu

WEB: review.ucsc.edu

PORTER FAMILIES WEB SITE

WEB: www2.ucsc.edu/porterfamilies

PORTER COLLEGE WEB SITE

WEB: porter.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.

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

- 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

Web: housing.ucsc.edu

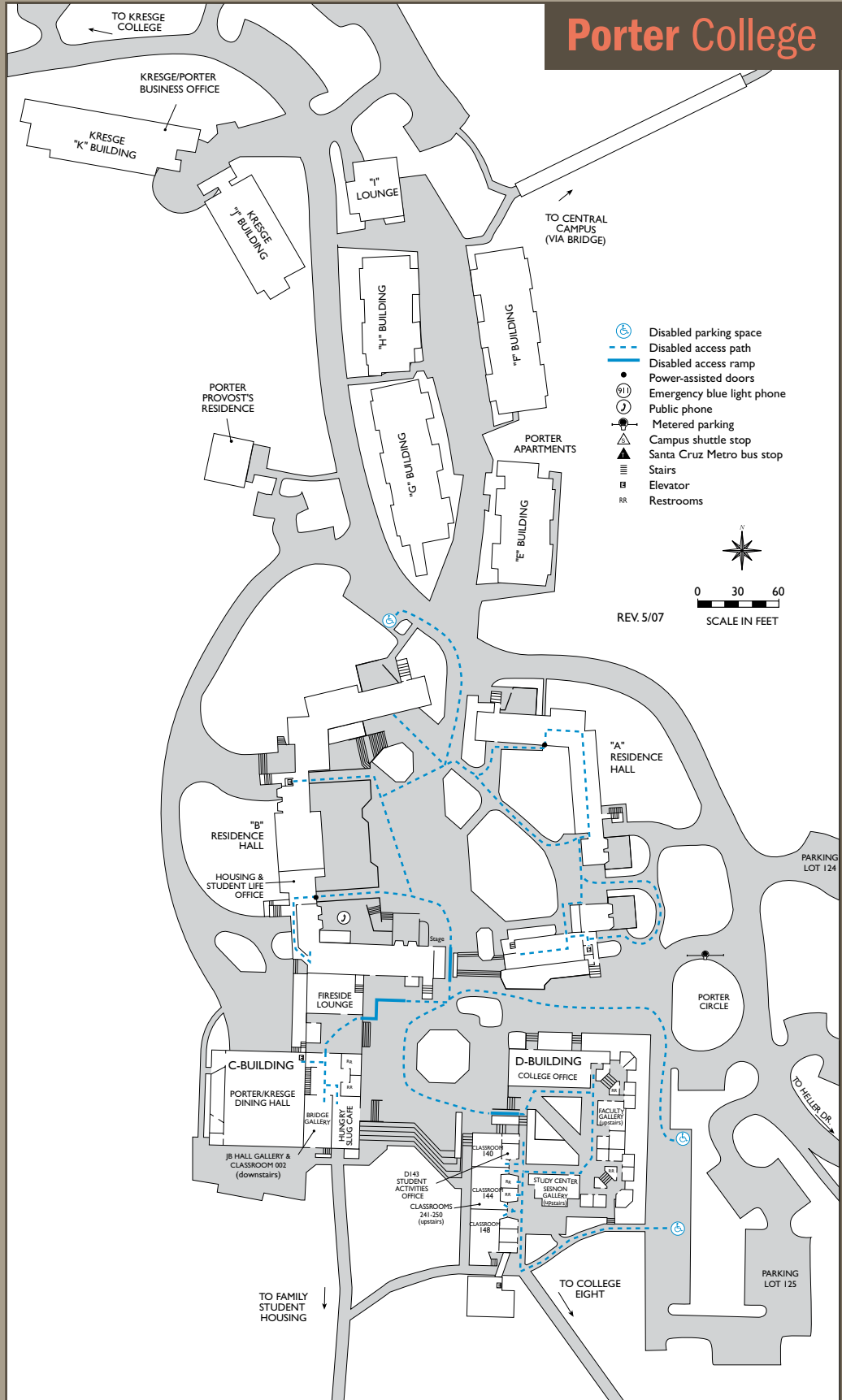
Online Application:

studenthousing.ucsc.edu

Disability-Related Housing Accommodation Needs:

Contact the Disability Resource Center (DRC) for a request form. E-mail 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. Questions: **(831) 459-2089**.

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- Disabled parking space
- Disabled access path
- Disabled access ramp
- Power-assisted doors
- Emergency blue light phone
- Public phone
- Metered parking
- Campus shuttle stop
- Santa Cruz Metro bus stop
- Stairs
- Elevator
- Restrooms

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