Room Selection - Fall 2025

UC Santa Cruz - Housing Portal

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The Process

A few notes...

- Continuing students living in university housing (or with a limited exception) who re-apply during the application period are eligible to participate in the Room Selection Lottery process.
- Students are emailed a randomly generated time that represents the earliest time they can access the Room Selection process in the Housing Portal.

The **Room Selection** icon is located on the Housing Portal homepage.

The icon only appears for students when it is time for them to access the Room Selection process. Prior to their Room Selection start time, the icon will not be displayed.



Note: Continuing Undergraduates are the only population that participate in Room Selection.

Room Selection Lottery

The Room Selection Lottery takes place in two passes.

Eligible students enter the Room Selection process by selecting the upcoming term.

April 8 : 1st Pass - individual colleges/communities April 10 : 2nd Pass - campuswide	
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To enter the Room Selection process, click the continue button below.	
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Note: A student who is assigned to a space can re-enter the process to view their assignment, but cannot change their room assignment.

The Room Selection Information **Summary** page shows important details about the student's record that will influence the spaces available to them during Room Selection.

Room Selection Information Summary

You applied to live in Stevenson College

Your gender designation is listed as: Male

- If needed, you can update your gender designation through <u>MyUCSC (my.ucsc.edu</u>). Changes made in MyUCSC will be updated in the Housing Portal within 24 hours.
- During Room Selection students may assign themselves to vacant bedrooms or to a room with students of the same gender. Apartments can be
 mixed-gender but bedrooms are single-gender.
- To request a roommate of a different gender, students are encouraged to contact their Housing Coordinator.

You are part of the Cactus Club roommate group with 7 members. Your roommate group is a mixed-gender group.

Your roommate group members include:

Sam Angela Mateo Richard Chen Xavier Anna

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The **Process** page provides an overview of each Room Selection Pass, and the schedule of when each Pass will occur.

Students are required to check the box to verify they have read and understand the information on this page.

The Process

Room Selection takes place in two passes.

1st Pass - at the community where you applied (April 8)

- During 1st Pass, students must be able to completely fill a residence hall room or an entire apartment in order to make a selection. For example:
 - You will only be able to select an apartment if a space is available to accommodate your group size and gender(s).
 - To select a residence hall triple, you need a group of three, all with the same gender.

2nd Pass - campuswide (April 10, if held)

- During 2nd Pass, any available spaces campuswide are available, regardless of the community preference you included in your application.
- Students do not need to fill all available spaces in the room/apartment to select a space.

Important!

- Eligible students who don't select a space during 1st Pass will be invited to 2nd Pass if it is held. 2nd Pass will only take place if spaces remain available for the Room Selection Lottery.
- If you have not selected a space by the end of the Room Selection Lottery or if there are no remaining spaces to select, your application will be placed on the housing waitlist. more »

I have read and understand the process for this Room Selection Pass.

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This page emphasizes the importance of having multiple plans prepared for Room Selection. It provides some things to consider while they navigate the process.

Students are required to check the boxes to verify they have read and understand the information on this page.

Have a plan - and back-up plans!

The housing lottery is based on space availability at the time a student logs in, with fewer options as other students complete their selections. Some room types are highly sought after but have very limited availability, such as apartment spaces and single rooms. Additionally, housing options for groups (especially larger groups) are likely to go fast during room selection, so it's important to be prepared.

If your preferred space isn't available, move on to your back-up plans.

Groups

- You will only be able to complete a selection if the space can accommodate all members of your group.
- If you do not see a space to select you may try modifying your group to determine if there are spaces available for a smaller group and/or try participating as individuals.

Individuals

- Spaces are based on 1) availability and 2) your gender designation. You may assign yourself to any of the options available.
- If you're participating as an individual and **do not see any spaces available**, it means the spaces made available for the Room Selection Lottery have already been selected by other students.

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I understand the importance of having a plan and back up plans.

I understand if I am unable to make a selection my application will be placed on the housing waitlist.

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During pass 1, students may see options for Apartment and/or Residence Hall areas at their application community.

During pass 2, housing areas with spaces available will be displayed.

Note: the text on this page changes slightly if the student is participating in Room Selection as an individual rather than as part of a group.

Housing Options

Housing areas with spaces available appear below. Select a housing area to view available spaces.

Note:

As a group of 7 participating in 1st Pass, you will only see housing areas in your community if there are spaces available that can accommodate a group of your size.

If you do not see a particular housing area in your community listed below, there could be multiple reasons why:

There may not be spaces available to accommodate the number of students in your group.
 The spaces for your group's size have already been selected by other students.

If your preferred option isn't available, please select a different area in your community and move on to your back-up plans. You may also try modifying your group in the <u>Roommate Request process</u> to determine if there are other spaces available for a group of a different size and/or gender make-up.

If there are no spaces available for you to select at this time you will be invited to 2nd Pass if it is held.



SELECT

The Residence Hall spaces are not visible to this person because there are no Residence Hall spaces to accommodate their group of 7. Students browse available rooms and can search for specific spaces using filter criteria including themes, room types, and room rate.

Students can click **Show Room Info** to see more information about an available room, including details about any students already assigned to the space.

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Room List

Spaces available for selection appear below. Place a hold on a space and click Continue in order to proceed with a selection.

Note

The housing spaces displayed below reflect what is currently available. Students may assign themselves to vacant bedrooms or to a room with students of the same gender. Because you are part of a mixed-gender group, you cannot select any space in a Residence Hall.

If you do not see a particular housing space, there could be multiple reasons why:

1. Filters may be limiting the search results. Remove all filters to refresh the Rooms List.

2. The space may not be able to accommodate the number of students in your group and/or the gender make-up of your group.

3. The space has already been selected by other students

Move on to your back-up plans and make a different selection if your preferred space is not available. You may also try modifying your group in the Roommate Request process, and then return to Room Selection to determine if there are other spaces available for a group of a different size or gender make-up

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Room Rate

Room Types Apt Quad Apt Single

\$3000 - \$6500







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Apartment

ST10-102

House 10

\$6480.00 per quarter Apt Single with 1 Bed Available

Stevenson Apartments

Theme: No Theme

7 of 7 Beds Are Available in This

Show Room Info

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Apartment	Apartment
ST10-102	ST10-102
House 10	House 10
Stevenson Apartments	Stevenson Apartments
Theme: No Theme	Theme: No Theme
Show Room Info	Show Room In
PLACE HOLD	PLACE HOLD



When a student finds a space they wish to select, they begin by clicking **Place Hold**. Similarly, they can remove this hold by clicking **Remove Hold** if they do not wish to proceed with the selection.

Spaces are held for <u>5 minutes</u> while the student completes their selection. A timer shows the remaining time at the top right of the page.

If a student selects an apartment space, all rooms in that apartment will be held until their selection is complete or until the hold expires.

When a student is ready to proceed, they will select the **Continue** button at the bottom of the page.

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- 3. The space has already been selected by other students.

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	REMOVE HOLD	REMOVE HOLD	REMOVE HOLD

The student assigns themself (and, if applicable, members of their Roommate Group) to the spaces within their selected room or apartment.

If the student is part of a Roommate Group, all members of the group must be assigned a bed during this step. Then, they will click **Continue**.

Assign Beds IMPORTANT REMINDER: During Room Selection, students may assign themselves to vacant bedrooms or to a room with students of the same gender. Apartments can be mixed-gender but bedrooms are single-gender. Assign Yourself Richard ✓ Select Bed ST10-102Aa ST10-102Ab ST10-102Ac ST10-102Ad ST10-102B ST10-102C ST10-102D Assign Group Members Below are your current group members. You must assign beds to all group members.

Angela		Anna	
Select Bed	ι ν .	Select Bed	~
ihen		Sam	
Select Bed	~	Select Bed	~

The **Review and Submit** page allows the student to do a final review before confirming their assignment(s) with the **Confirm & Assign** button.

Review and Submit

Once you confirm the following room assignment(s), you will be assigned to university housing and your housing application (and the application of any group members) becomes a legally binding contract that is valid for the entire academic year.

YOU CANNOT CHANGE YOUR ROOM ASSIGNMENT ONCE YOU CONFIRM YOUR SELECTION.

Stevenson Apartments | ST10-102A

1. ST10-102Aa: Richard 2. ST10-102Ab: Mateo 3. ST10-102Ac: Xavier 4. ST10-102Ad: Sam

Stevenson Apartments | ST10-102B

1. ST10-102B: Chen

Stevenson Apartments | ST10-102C

1. ST10-102C: Angela

Stevenson Apartments | ST10-102D

1. ST10-102D: Anna

CONFIRM & ASSIGN

Once assigned, the student is directed to the **Housing Summary** page, which shows information about the space they selected.

This is also the page that students will automatically be directed to if they have already been assigned by another group member by the time they log into Room Selection.

Housing Summary

You have an assigned space in university housing and your housing application is now a confirmed contract.

Assignment

Location: Stevenson Apartments	
Apartment or Room: ST09-301	
Room: ST09-301B	
Room Type: Apt Single	

Theme:

- Room Attribute Mixed-Gender
- Housing Theme No Theme

Bed	Occupant	Name
ST09-301A	Sam	Sam
ST09-301B	Richard	Richard
ST09-301Ca	Angela	Angela
ST09-301Cb	Chen	Chen
ST09-301Cc	Fatima	Fatima
ST09-301Da	Marcus	Marcus
ST09-301Db	Mateo	Mateo
ST09-301Dc	Xavier	Xavier
RETURN TO HOME PAGE		

If there are no beds available during pass 1, students will see this page. It contains information about 2nd pass, the housing waitlist, and off-campus housing resources.

Attention:

All of the spaces made available for your community's Room Selection process have already been selected by other students. We know this is disappointing, but want to provide you with information about the next phase of the assignment process.

Here's what happens next:

Spaces made available for Room Selection may still be available at other communities. Once all communities have completed their 1st Pass of Room Selection, you will be invited to participate in the campuswide 2nd Pass, if it is held.

2nd Pass date: April 10 (lottery time notification emails will be sent on April 9).

During 2nd Pass students may select from any available spaces campuswide, regardless of the community preference in their application. Please keep in mind that the number of spaces and types of spaces available is likely to be very limited.

If 2nd Pass does not occur or if you do not select a space during 2nd Pass, your application will be on the <u>housing waitlist</u>. It's important to remember that the Room Selection process marks the beginning of our housing assignment process, but not the end. While some students select their own housing, many others are assigned housing by a Housing Coordinator following the room selection process.

Waitlist management:

Housing Coordinators will first work to assign any waitlisted <u>Resilient Scholars, Regent Scholars, Sabatte Scholars</u>, and students with <u>disability-related</u> <u>accommodations</u> for a specific type of housing issued by the Disability Resource Center (DRC). Additional students will be assigned on a space-available basis.

Spaces are assigned based on the type of space available and how well matched that space is to students on the waiting list based on gender, room and other preferences, and consideration of compatibility with other roommates/housemates.

Make the most of your waitlist application:

Your waitlist application represents your interest in being assigned housing, and the more options you include, the more opportunities it gives housing staff to try to find a space for you!

* Return to the 'Room Options' step in your housing application to expand your room preferences to include all the room types and communities you agree to accept.

* Residence hall triples are the most common room type on campus, and therefore the most likely type of housing to become available. If a residence hall triple is not among your preferences, we recommend adding this room type to your preferences.

Cancellation policy reminder: It is your responsibility to immediately cancel your application in the <u>Housing Portal</u> if at any time your plans change and you are no longer interested in university housing (e.g. you are accepted into an exchange program, you academically withdraw/take a leave of absence or are barred, find other housing, etc.). There is no fee to cancel your application before a space is assigned. However, cancellation fees will apply if you cancel after a housing space has been confirmed.

Questions? Contact your college/community housing office.

If there are no beds available during pass 2, students will see this page. It contains information about the housing waitlist and off-campus housing resources.

Attention:

All of the spaces made available for the Room Selection Lottery have been chosen and the campuswide 2nd Pass of Room Selection is now closed. We know this is disappointing, but want to provide you with information about the next phase of the assignment process. Please note: You will soon receive an email with additional details – including instructions on how to verify your continued interest in university housing and keep your application active on the waitlist.

Here's what happens next:

Your application will be on the <u>housing waitlist</u>. As long as your application is on the waitlist it represents your interest in being assigned housing. Housing staff work throughout the spring and summer to accommodate as many interested students as possible. See below for tips on how to make the most of your waitlist application.

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