APPLYING FOR ACCOMMODATION

VICTORIA & CANBERRA

4 SIMPLE STEPS

Step 1  Work out what type of accommodation you would like to apply for

Step 2  Make a list of the options you are interested in and then request information from the accommodation sources.

Step 3  Ring the Housing Service and speak to them directly about your options. Visit the accommodation if you can.

Step 4  Check with the individual accommodation sources to find out application processes and dates - these will vary between institutions.

TYPES OF ACCOMMODATION

On campus
This option includes colleges, halls, villages, studio apartments etc. The accommodation can be owned and operated by the university or through a private company.

Students usually have access to resources such as computer/Internet, library, gym, sports facilities, tutors etc.

Residences are usually very close to the institute or on the campus and can be fully catered, self-catered or a combination of both.

You may have to pay an application fee, which is often non-refundable if you don’t secure a place.

You usually pay for a 42 - 52 week contract.

Application dates for accommodation vary. Some open from early August and others require you to wait until you have received an offer for a place in your course (e.g., in January).

You need to apply once applications open and you may need references or a recommendation from your school.

Private rent/board
Private rentals can be difficult to find and expensive in large cities. Often students will go into shared accommodation to reduce costs.

Students will be signed to a lease of 52 weeks compared to 40 - 42 weeks for university and there will be start up and ongoing costs including utilities.

If you are lucky enough to have friends, family or relatives living in the area you will be studying, you may be able to board with them.

Commercial accommodation
These accommodation institutions are generally independent from universities and TAFE Institutes. Prices and access to resources can vary.

They often have communal self-catering kitchens. Prices vary.
Rates are for the full 2017 academic year and are approximate.

**VICTORIA UNIVERSITY**
- Website, contact information and links to online application portals - http://bit.ly/2bhODDa
- Option 1: UniLodge@VU: $250+ p/w. 42 or 52 week contracts
- Option 2: Victoria Place: $210+ p/w (2016 rates)

**MONASH UNIVERSITY**
- Website, contact information and links to online application portal - http://bit.ly/2bvTyQ7
- Contracts vary between 42, 26 and 47 weeks. Cost varies between $216.30 - $276.50 p/w
- Free to apply and first in first served.
- Mannix College - $17 220 (2016 rate), http://bit.ly/1O8d0hA

**AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY**
- Melbourne - no on-campus accommodation available.

**FEDERATION UNIVERSITY**
- Website, contact information, fee list, and links to online application portal - http://bit.ly/2blGHMi
- First year accommodation guarantee.

**DEAKIN UNIVERSITY**
- Website, contact information, fee list, and links to online application portal - http://bit.ly/1ewrPLa
- Melbourne: 36 or 50 week lease. $280 - $356 p/w.
- Geelong: 40 or 52 week lease. $221 - $250 p/w.
- Warrnambool: 40 week lease. $201 - $230 p/w.

**SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY**
- Website, contact information, fee list, and links to online application portal - http://bit.ly/1hrZx7f
- Can apply for a single room in the College or shared apartments. 2016 rates - $250 - $315 p/w.
- UniLodge Vivida- privately owned student accommodation located next to the campus. 12 month lease. $250 - $300 p/w, http://bit.ly/1NAN8tM

**RMIT**
- Bundoora campus - $190 - $295 p/w. Website, contact information, and link to online application portal- http://bit.ly/1KKLqpk
- No on-campus accommodation at the City or Brunswick campuses
ACCOMMODATION - VICTORIA

**MELBOURNE UNIVERSITY**

Rates are for the full 2017 academic year and are approximate

- Option 3: Student Housing Assistance Program (SHAP) - for students experiencing disadvantage or from rural areas. $160 p/w, http://bit.ly/1PPwvNx

**LA TROBE UNIVERSITY**

- Website, contact information and links to online application portal - http://bit.ly/1KDNdnk
- Melbourne: Colleges and apartments. - $102.90 - $315 p/w
- Bendigo: $175 - $220.50 p/w
- Albury Wodonga: $177.80 p/w

ACCOMMODATION - CANBERRA

**AUSTRALIA NATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

Rates are for the full 2017 academic year and are approximate

- Website, contact information and links to online application portal - http://bit.ly/1eRFEnS
- Colleges, Halls and Lodges. Catered and non catered options. - $206.29 - $378.50 p/w.

**UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA**

- Website, contact information and links to online application portal - http://bit.ly/2bCZUdo
- Cooper Lodge, Weeden Lodge and the University of Canberra Village. $148 - $326 p/w.

**AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY**

- Website, contact information and links to online application portal - http://bit.ly/1LYjBVn
- Managed residences - $245 p/w
- Mackillop House (for women) - $280 p/w
MELBOURNE BASED ACCOMMODATION

UniLodge
Multiple locations across Melbourne area. Some residences have meals. Cost varies depending on unit type and location.

Home at Flinders
Flinders Street, Melbourne. Can choose furnished or unfurnished. $320 - $470 p/w. 52 week lease.

Kew Student Residence
25 Mary Street, Kew. On site student support and resident managers. Approximately $11 813 for the year (2016 rate). Price includes four meals per day and partially furnished room. Accommodation is twin share with shared bathroom.

Le Student 8
Between $260 - $320 (includes utilities) per week depending on the type of accommodation. Studio rooms located at ‘Bell City’, Preston.
www.lestudent8.com/

Bell City Luxury Residences
Between $550 - $740 p/w, 2 - 6 month lease - luxury apartments.

Brunswick Uniting Church Student Housing
Shared housing. For people of various faiths/beliefs. No catering but shared kitchen available. Rent is $390 per month plus expenses.
http://bit.ly/2c8C77N

Student Housing Australia
This is a student housing database.
- Select the TAFE/University you would like to attend.
- All student housing near the institution will appear including private rentals and student apartments.

RMIT Student Village
75% of places are set aside for RMIT students, but students studying at any institution can apply for a place. One, two, three and five bedroom apartments/studios. $285 - $360 p/w. Self catered, pool, gym, BBQ, student lounge etc.

Yarra House
Located at the Melbourne Polytechnic Fairfield Campus. $189 - $289 p/w (includes utilities). Self catered. Can apply for a friend to share with you. Communal kitchens or use the Melbourne Polytechnic Cafe.
http://bit.ly/2b0Zg7Y

Urbanest
Berkley Street, Carlton and La Trobe Street, Melbourne. Fully furnished studio apartments, single and twin share. Self catered. 44 and 52 week contracts. $281 - $467 p/w

Carlton Student Accommodation
Three locations- Gratton, Cardigan and Drummond Streets. Between $230 - $255 p/w depending on length of contract. Furnished rooms. Self catered, free to apply. 44 and 52 week contracts.
http://bit.ly/1m6Hfug

Metro Student Accommodation
Plenty Road, Reservoir, Melbourne. About $815 per month. Close to trams and buses. Self catered, single rooms, communal kitchens and common rooms.
http://bit.ly/2clJ5Id

Carlton Melbourne Colleges
Swanston Street, Carlton. Single rooms, twin share and rooms with bathrooms. Cost between $222 - $290 depending on room and length of contract (44 or 52 weeks). Self catered.
http://bit.ly/1R4SbVZ

O’Connell and Riversdale Residences
The following two residences are self catered, have communal kitchens and common areas, single rooms and prices are based on a 52 week contract.

Riversdale Residence: Located on Riversdale Road, Hawthorn. From $220 per p/w.
http://bit.ly/1HQ5kzr

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