

# Housing information for UCSB students studying abroad

## Section 1: Community Housing

(Isla Vista, Goleta, Santa Barbara and surrounding area)

### University & Community Housing Services

[www.housing.ucsb.edu/current-residents/community-rental-listings/overview](http://www.housing.ucsb.edu/current-residents/community-rental-listings/overview)

Visit this helpful website for:

- Off-campus rental listings
- Rental advice and information
- Educational workshops
- [Rental Housing Success Guide](#)
- And more!

Helpful Facebook groups to join:

- [IV Housing for UCSB Students](#)
- [UCSB Housing](#)
- [UCSB EAP Housing Exchange](#)

Questions? Contact the University & Community Housing Services at:

Location: UCen Room 3151

Email: [housinginfo@housing.ucsb.edu](mailto:housinginfo@housing.ucsb.edu)

Phone: 805-893-4371

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00am-12:00pm, 1:00pm-5:00pm

## Section 2: UCEAP Application Deadlines

It is important to keep in mind the various deadlines and timelines associated with your UCEAP application in relation to your housing application deadlines as noted in this packet.

UCEAP programs that begin in summer/fall: Application deadlines range from fall through winter quarter. All applicants will be notified of their UCEAP status by the end of winter quarter, if not earlier.

UCEAP programs that begin in winter/spring quarters: Application deadlines will be in May. All students will be notified of their UCEAP status by the end of spring quarter, if not earlier.

## Section 3: Frequently Asked Questions

### Community Housing

**I'm planning to live in Isla Vista, Goleta or Santa Barbara and study abroad for a term next year. How should I handle my housing here?**

Here are some of your options:

- 1) Sign a full year lease for an I.V. apartment and find a sublesser for the quarter(s) you will be abroad.
- 2) Do not sign a full year lease and look for an apartment to sublease for the quarters you will be back at UCSB.

UCSB students study abroad during the fall, winter and spring terms. Most go during the fall but many also go during winter/spring. Fall UCEAP students might be able to sublease to spring UCEAP students, and vice versa.

**What should I do if I'm interested in one of the above options?**

You are strongly encouraged to consult with the UCSB Community Housing Office to ensure that you have the proper forms and documentation. Signing a lease is a legal and financial commitment so it's best for you to obtain guidance on these matters.

We recommend posting your available room or searching for a sublease on the University & Community Housing listing site and Facebook pages.

### University Housing

**As a contingency plan should my UCEAP program be canceled due to COVID, can I have an active UCEAP application and UCSB housing application for the same term?**

Yes. Submit your applications by the deadline. It is your responsibility to understand the deadlines and financial obligations should you need to withdraw from UCEAP or cancel your Housing contract. If you sign-up for both and do not cancel one, you may be liable for outstanding fees due to your inaction.

**If I submit a housing application, do I need to inform University & Community Housing Services of my intention to study abroad should my program proceed as planned?**

Answer: If you have not yet been offered a housing contract, you can simply disregard any offer you receive. If you have already completed a housing contract, you will need to submit a housing cancellation with University & Community Housing Services prior to September 1 for fall, December 1 for winter, or March 1 for spring.

**If I accept a housing contract for the full academic year, can I break my contract if I decide to study abroad winter quarter? Will I be guaranteed a housing spot when I return to UCSB for spring quarter?**

Yes, you may submit a housing cancellation to University & Community Housing Services by December 1 for winter without penalty, as long as you are participating in the UCSB sponsored Education Abroad Program.

No, you will not be guaranteed a housing spot at UCSB for spring quarter. You are advised to submit another housing application specifically for the spring.

### **If I study abroad for the fall term, will I be guaranteed a housing spot when I return to UCSB for winter quarter?**

While housing cannot be guaranteed, you are advised to submit a housing application for the winter quarter. Be sure to submit an application as early as possible once the application opens in early October.

### **If I accept a housing contract for the full academic year, can I break my contract if I decide to study abroad spring quarter?**

Yes, you may submit a housing cancellation to University & Community Housing Services by March 1 for spring without penalty, as long as you are participating in the UCSB sponsored Education Abroad Program.

## **Section 4: University Residence Halls Academic Year Contracts**

### **February 28 | Housing Application Opens**

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### **March 10 | Housing Application Closes**

The housing application closes on March 10 at 4:00pm for priority consideration. All students applying after March 10 at 4:00pm will be added to the waitlist for consideration after the new student application processes are concluded.

### **March 21 | Contracts Offered**

Contract offers will be determined by a lottery process and anticipated available space in the housing communities. Students with contracts may exercise the option to choose preferred roommates.

### **July 15 | Cancellation Deadline for \$100** (Review the FAQ section above for additional information.)

There is a \$100 cancellation fee from the time of signing the contract until July 15. After July 15 there is a \$350 cancellation fee until September 1.

### **July 20 | Roommate Process Deadline**

Students who have a 2022-23 contract can create a roommate group with other contract holders in the Residence Halls by using the optional roommate process. This is optional and those who do not complete it by July 20 at 4:00pm will be matched based upon the answers to their roommate preference questions.

### **September 1 | Cancellation Deadline for \$350** (Review the FAQ section above for additional information.)

September 1 is the deadline to cancel for a \$350 fee. After September 1 contract holders will be held rent responsible until a replacement is found, or unless otherwise notified.

### **Early September | Room Assignments**

Assignment letters will be sent along with instructions for signing up for a time to arrive on campus.

## **Section 5: University Undergraduate Apartments Academic Year Contracts**

El Dorado, Santa Ynez, Westgate Apartments, Sierra Madre Villages, San Joaquin Villages  
Continuing Undergraduate 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Years

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## **Section 6: Winter & Spring Housing Application**

University Residence Halls and University Undergraduate Apartments

The following information is for students seeking UCSB housing for winter and spring quarters.

*The dates listed below are for the 2021-22 year. Dates for the 2022-23 will be posted on the Housing site when available.*

### **October 1 | Housing Application Opens**

Applying for housing is not a guarantee that you will receive a contract. The 2021-22 Winter and Spring Quarter Housing Application will be available on October 1, 2021 at 9:00am. Available space will be based on anticipated vacancies. Students offered contracts must complete and return the contract by the deadline sent with their contract offer.

### **November 17 | Housing Application Deadline**

The Housing Application Priority Consideration Deadline is November 17 at 5:00pm. If you don't receive a confirmation email from us within a few minutes of submitting your application, check your spam folder. Please check your U-Mail account directly and frequently so that you don't miss any important messages from UCSB. It may not be reliable to forward your U-Mail to an alternate email (gmail, yahoo, etc.)

### **December 1 | Contracts Offered**

Contract offers will begin to go out in waves starting on December 1, 2021.

**Contract Cancellation** (Review the FAQ section above for additional information.)

If you have signed a Winter and Spring Quarter Undergraduate Housing Contract and are interested in cancelling, please submit the Contract Cancellation Request on the Housing website. **With 30 days or more notice there is a \$250 fee to cancel, \$350 for less than 30 days.**

## Section 7: Spring Housing Application

University Residence Halls and University Undergraduate Apartments

The following information is for students seeking UCSB housing for spring quarters.

*The dates listed below are for the 2021-22 year. Dates for the 2022-23 will be posted on the Housing site when available.*

### **January 17 | Housing Application Opens**

Applying for housing is not a guarantee that you will receive a contract. The 2022 Spring Quarter Housing Application will be available on January 17, 2022 at 10:00am. The first round of contract offers will be made in late January. Available space will be based on anticipated vacancies. Students offered contracts must complete and return the contract by the deadline sent with their contract offer.

### **March 10 | Housing Application Deadline**

If you don't receive a confirmation email from us within a few minutes of submitting your application, check your spam folder. Please check your U-Mail account directly and frequently so that you don't miss any important messages from UCSB. It may not be reliable to forward your U-Mail to an alternate email (gmail, yahoo, etc.)

**Contract Cancellation** (Review the FAQ section above for additional information.)

If you have signed a Spring Quarter Housing Contract and are interested in cancelling, please submit the Contract Cancellation Request on the Housing website. **There is a \$250 fee to cancel.**