2022 HALLS OF RESIDENCE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



The Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington halls of residence provide a supportive environment for students as they adapt to university life.

When can I apply?

Applications for 2022 are open from 1 August 2021.

Is there an application deadline?

Students must have their application complete before 1 October 2021 in order to be considered for the initial round of accommodation offers. Halls will begin to review applications from 15 September. It is essential that students check their emails regularly in case University Accommodation Wellington needs to contact them regarding their application.

What form should I complete?

Students need to complete an application form and a Common Confidential Reference form. This is required for accommodation applications across many tertiary institutions in New Zealand and is completed by a representative from the students' secondary school. More information can be found at www.ccrf.ac.nz

How many halls are there?

The University has 13 halls of residence.

What types of halls are there?

We have two types of halls: catered and self-catered. Catered halls are generally reserved for first-year students under the age of 20, and provide all meals as well as a range of services and activities. Self-catered halls are self-contained apartments or flats where students cook for themselves. Stafford House is the only self-catered hall that accommodates domestic students under 20 years old. For more information on individual halls, go to our website.

How do I choose a hall of residence?

Our halls offer consistent service and support, so it is easy for students to pick halls based on personal preference. Factors which may be considered include whether it's preferable to live in the city or further away, the size of the hall, and the facilities available. Students should indicate three halls on the application form. However, we advise against including Katharine Jermyn, Te Puni Village, and Capital Hall as your second or third preferences. These halls are very popular and students who list them as a second or third preference may not be considered.

Which halls are the closest to campus?

All our halls are within a short walk of all three campuses, with the exception of Helen Lowry Hall, which offers a free shuttle service for its residents.

When will I get my offer of accommodation?

Offers of accommodation for 2022 will be sent out from mid-September 2021.

What if I want to change my hall preferences after completing an application?

Students who wish to change their preferences can do so by notifying University Accommodation Wellington before 15 September 2021.

Can the halls cater for my dietary needs?

Most dietary requirements can be catered for in our halls, provided the hall knows in advance. There is a form to indicate dietary requirements or you can inform University Accommodation Wellington.

Am I guaranteed an offer of accommodation?

To receive a guaranteed offer, students must complete their application before the deadline of 1 October 2021 and have:

- been endorsed with excellence at NCEA Level 2 (or the equivalent in IB and CIE) or
- received a Wellington Tangiwai, Totoweka, or Kahotea school-leaver scholarship.

Note: the guaranteed offer of accommodation may not necessarily be from the initial choice of hall. All international students are guaranteed an offer of accommodation.

What fees do I have to pay?

Upon acceptance of an offer of accommodation, a deposit is required, which is typically around \$600. Accommodation fees are paid monthly, with the first instalment due in early to mid-February. For more details regarding pricing, refer to our Accommodation Guide, or our website.

Does Studylink pay my fees?

Studylink does not pay student accommodation fees directly. Students will need to pay the first instalment up front as Studylink payments will not begin until after the instalment is due. After this, residents can arrange with their bank for Studylink payments to be credited against the next fee instalment. It's also worth noting that Studylink may not cover all your accommodation costs.

www.wgtn.ac.nz/accommodation

