

Welcome to UC's residence life

Congratulations on your admission to Utica College!

We look forward to having you as a member of the UC Community.

Living in UC's residence halls is an enriching and rewarding experience. As a member of the residential community you will be able to meet new students, be exposed to new ideas and different perspectives, but most of all develop friendships that may last a lifetime. In addition, you will have an opportunity to participate in social, educational, and cultural activities that are intended to help you adjust to the college experience. Living in UC residence halls is an integral part of your educational experience, and will assist you in succeeding academically.

If you plan to reside on campus, you will need to complete and return three forms:

Student Housing Contract

The housing contract is an important document that outlines the policies and regulations pertaining to living within UC's residence halls. Please closely read all aspects of contract as you will be expected to follow its guidelines as soon as you arrive. After reading all of the information please fill out the top portion of the contract, and send only the white copy back to the Office of Residence Life in the provided envelope. Your contract should be sent back at the same time as your housing and tuition deposit.

Housing assignments are partly based upon when we receive your housing contract. Thus the sooner your contract is received, the greater likelihood that your ideal housing preference can be honored. The timeliness with regard to the receipt of the contract is also important should the college have to triple rooms. While tripling is reserved as a last resort option, those who turn in their contracts closest to the beginning of the academic year are the first to be tripled.

Please note that housing contract is binding for the academic year, and there is a two year residency requirement at Utica College. If you wish to reside at home or off campus as a freshmen or sophomore you will need to submit a written request to the Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students. This process also extends to individuals who would like to move off campus once the academic year has begun.

Resident Information Form

Perhaps the most important form you will fill out during the enrollment process, the Resident Information Form is our primary means to assign you with the right roommate. When filling out this form, keep in mind not only your current habits/tendencies, but also the fact that many times those will change once you live in the halls.

If you have any special requirements or request you would like to make the Office of Residence Life aware of, please indicate that on this form. While we do try to honor all requests, due to the number received Residence Life cannot guarantee that every request/preference can be fulfilled.

This form should be returned with your Meal Plan Selection Card and Student Housing Contract.

Meal Plan Selection Card

Utica College offers a variety of meal plans through ARAMARK Campus Dining Services. Use this form to make your meal plan selection. Please note:

- All students who live on campus are required to participate in one of UC's meal plans.
- Freshmen must choose either the Gold Meal Plan or the Platinum Meal Plan for their first semester.

Once you've completed this form, return it, along with your signed Student Housing Contract, and Resident Information Form, to the Office of Residence Life in the envelope provided.

UC's residence halls

A Residence Hall is not just a place to live; each hall is a community where students can take advantage of the diversity of the residents and opportunities to establish lifelong friendships.

One of the distinguishing features of Utica College's residency program is the dedication of its fulltime professional Resident Directors (RDs) and student resident assistants (RAs), who strive to provide a safe living and learning environment. RDs and RAs assist students in building a positive community, and provide programs and activities to complement residents' college experiences.

Utica College's campus includes seven residence halls with a wide variety of living options:

North and South Halls

These two traditional-style residence halls primarily serve students who are new to the UC residential experience (e.g., freshmen and transfers). Both halls feature double, single, and triple occupancy rooms on single sex or coed floors. All rooms include Internet access and free hook-up for cable television and phone service. Additionally, each hall has its own lounge, television and recreation rooms, kitchen, and laundry facilities.

All freshmen are required to live in either North or South Hall. Special programs designed to aid with the transition from home and high school to UC's residential community are planned throughout the year.

Burrstone House

Located across Champlin Avenue from the main campus, Burrstone House primarily serves returning students. Formerly a hotel, Burrstone contains a television room, a study lounge, kitchen, laundry facilities, and a large lobby. Large rooms usually house two students and are equipped with carpeting, air conditioning, private bathrooms, and other personal amenities. All rooms include wireless Internet access and free hook-up for cable television and phone service.

Alumni Hall

This facility, reserved for returning students, features 16 garden-style apartments. Each unit includes a living room, kitchen, bathroom, and dining area. All rooms include Internet access and free hook-up for cable television and phone service. Alumni Hall also has laundry facilities.

New Hall

New Hall features suite-style living with double or single accommodations for returning students. Included are amenities such as air conditioning, an elevator, a kitchen on each floor, several large lounges, and laundry facilities. All rooms include Internet access and free hook-up for cable television and phone service.

Tower Hall and Bell Hall

These residence halls, opened in 2002 and 2005 respectively, offer cluster-style living with double or single accommodations. Primarily serving returning students, both buildings feature amenities such as air conditioning, an elevator, kitchens on all floors, several large lounges, and laundry facilities. All rooms include Internet access and free hook-up for cable television and phone service.



Students in South Hall relax with friends after class.



Did you know?

You can get a closer look at Utica College's residence halls online. Visit our Web site at www.utica.edu, and click on Student Life.

Tower Hall



New Hall



Burrstone House



Alumni Hall



North Hall



South Hall

Bell Hall



UC's campus dining services

Provided through ARAMARK Corporation, Utica College's Campus Dining Services offer quality, variety, convenience, and flexibility. We work hard to keep pace with ever-changing trends in dining, offering a wide variety ranging from traditional American cuisine to ethnic dishes to vegetarian fare and more. Special events, monthly specials, and holiday festivities help make your dining experiences fun and enjoyable.

At Utica College, you can choose from a variety of meal plans designed to fit your lifestyle. Options for freshmen are either the Platinum Meal Plan or the Gold Meal Plan, featuring unlimited access to the Dining Commons. Upper class students can also choose the 11 meals per week plan, and the 120 meals per semester plan. All meal plans include a Declining Balance, which is accepted like cash in all dining locations and works on the same principle as a debit card. Use your Declining Balance for beverages, snacks, or full meals for you and your friends at any time. You can add additional Declining Balance at any time through the Office of Campus Dining Services.

Strebel Dining Commons

This newly renovated facility promotes a comfortable and relaxing atmosphere where students enjoy all-you-care-to-eat dining. The Dining Commons features cutting-edge American entrees, ethnically-inspired foods, vegetarian selections, and more:

Sizzle

The grill features many cooked-to-order items, including hamburgers, garden burgers, turkey burgers, nachos and cheese, and more!

Home

Featuring traditional home-cooked entrees, potatoes, rice, and vegetables.

World

Pasta with homemade sauce, more than 30 varieties of pizza, and tacos, quesadillas, and fajitas.

Pan Geos

Wraps and salads, prepared by our Pan Geos chef while you wait.

Simmer

A daily selection of two homemade soups, served with fresh-baked breads from our bakery.

Crisp

Great toppings, dressings, proteins, seasonings, and the freshest vegetable selections combine to make this station a healthy choice.

Stuffed

Choose from fresh breads and rolls, vegetables, shaved deli meats, and salads to make yourself an overstuffed sandwich.

Splash

Carbonated and non-carbonated soft drinks, fruit juices, spring water, hot chocolate, coffee, tea, milk, and cappuccino.

Other On-Campus Options

Pioneer Café

Looking for a quick bite to eat or a leisurely meal with friends? The Pioneer Café is a great place to use your Declining Balance to purchase items such as fresh pizza, deli sandwiches and wraps, grilled sandwiches, homemade soup, salads, coffee, and more. The Pioneer Café also features a Subway® menu.

The Pioneer Café also serves as a venue for live performances, Pub Nights, and Open Mic Nights.

Le Bistro

If you want a quick bite between classes, Le Bistro is a must. Located in the Gordon Science Center, Le Bistro offers fresh pizza, homemade soups, ready-made deli sandwiches, salads, desserts, and Starbucks® coffee.

For more information about UC's dining program, please call (315) 792-3178.