REVIEWS AND ADVICE FROM CURRENT STUDENTS

# OREGON SCHOOL OF LAW HOUSING GUIDE 2025 —



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# **GETTING THE MOST OUT OF THE GUIDE**



**Start with the Housing Facts section.** This section should help you determine the type of apartment you'd like to live in and how much you should expect to pay in rent.



**Read about different neighborhoods** and narrow down your search to parts of the city that you like most.



**Use the Apartment Ratings section** to identify the best apartment buildings across the categories (e.g. best amenities, highest rated) that matter most to you.



**Visit VeryApt.com** to read reviews, get pricing, and set up appointments for the apartments you like most.

# **ABOUT THE DATA IN THIS GUIDE**

All of the data in this guide are based on feedback from real renters in Eugene. We asked students to rate their apartments on a scale of 1-10 across six categories:



Overall





Value

Management



Amenities



Safety

Based on their feedback, we compiled a list of the best apartment buildings for Oregon Law students. If you are interested in additional data that is not in the guide or have a housing question, you can reach us at contact@veryapt.com.

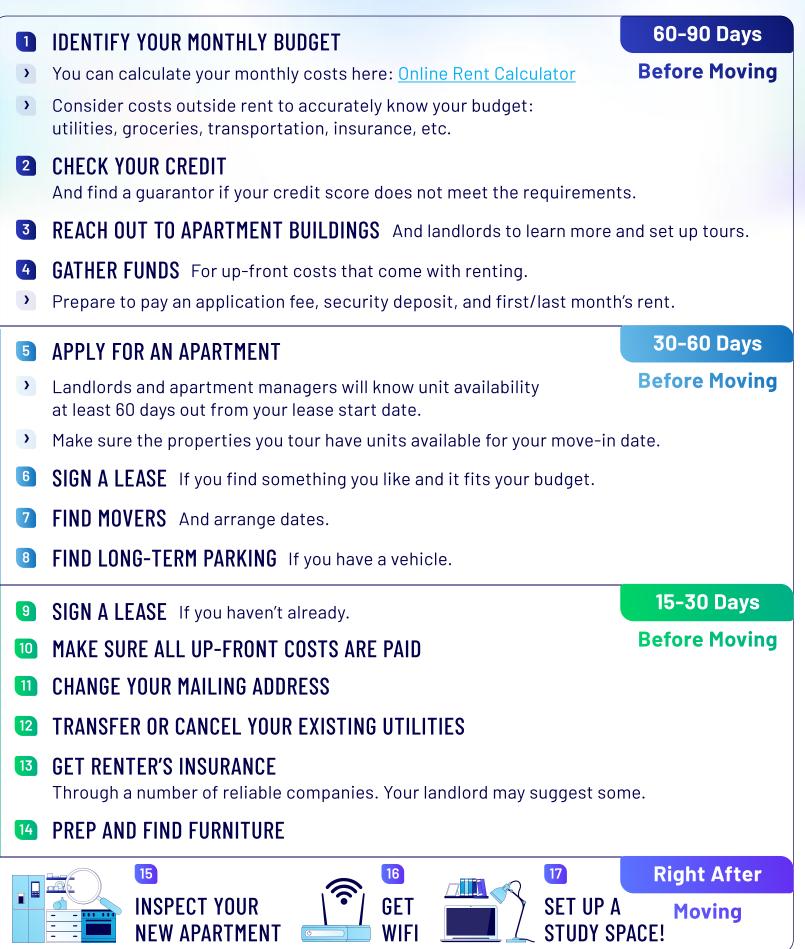
Location

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# **Renter Guide**

# and Rental Calculator





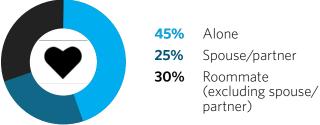


# Where Oregon Law students live



- Downtown Eugene 75%
- 10% Harlow
- 5% East Campus
- 5% Amazon
- 5% Other

## Who Oregon Law students live with



- Alone Spouse/partner Roommate
- 42% of Oregon Law students live with pets

# What type of properties Oregon Law students live in

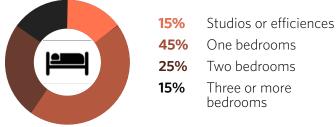


Large property (50+ 60% units) 30% Mid-size property

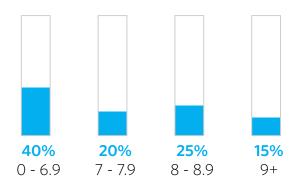
(20-49 units)

10% Small property (2-9 units)

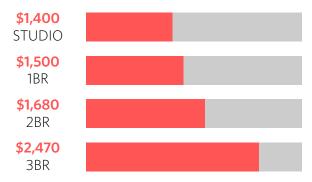
## What size residences Oregon Law students live in



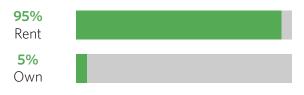
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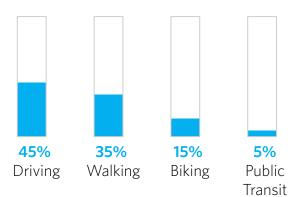
# Average rent by apartment size



## Rent versus own



# **Commute methods**



# **Rent with Confidence**

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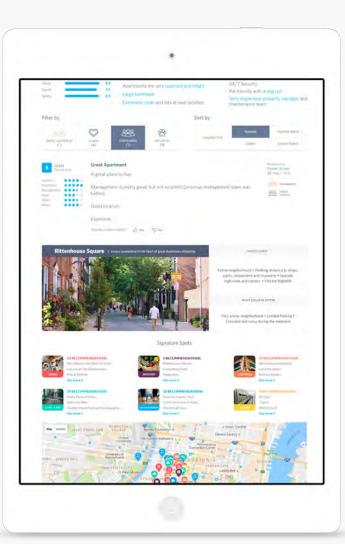


All the information you need in a single place. Photos, prices, floor plans, maps, and amenities -VeryApt has you covered.

### **Concierge Service**



On demand rental experts that can provide apartment recommendations, set up apartment tours, and help you with your rental application - all at no extra cost.



## **Intelligent Search**



Personalized apartment recommendations based on the amenities you want, your proximity to school or work, and your desired price range.

### **Trusted Reviews**



Hundreds of verified apartment reviews from current and past tenants that help you make an informed decision about where you want to live.

## WHY WE STARTED VERYAPT

VeryApt was born from the simple realization that the small things about an apartment are often the most important: a friendly doorman, lots of sunlight in the living room, a running trail nearby, or that amazing hole-in-the-wall Thai restaurant across the street. We understand that the frustrations of apartment hunting are universal, but share a belief that it doesn't have to be. We know what makes an apartment truly feel like home is unique for each person and that's why our focus is on bringing you personalized recommendations based on timely, relevant, and real user reviews. We'll be there every step of the way to help you find your perfect apartment.

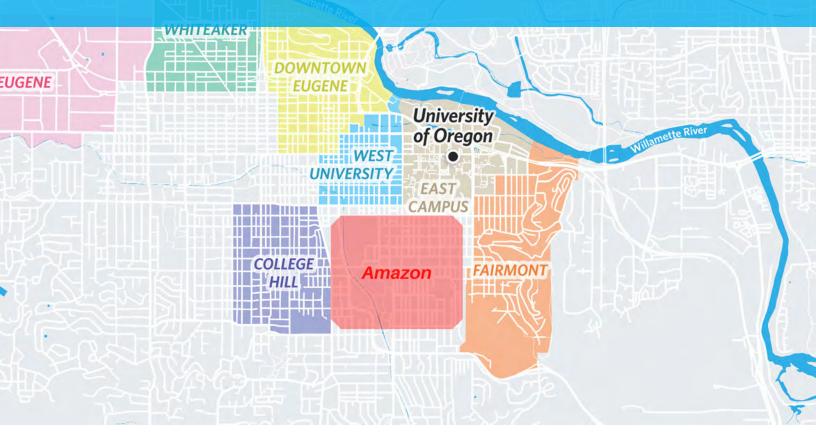
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# **NEIGHBORHOODS EXPLAINED**

An overview of the most popular neighborhoods for Oregon Law students





### Downtown Eugene

#### 75% of Oregon Law Students

Downtown Eugene is a large neighborhood located directly to the west of the University of Oregon campus. Beginning along the river and extending south to 18th Ave, it's a popular spot with the university's offcampus crowd.



### East Campus

#### 5% of Oregon Law Students

A quiet residential neighborhood with tree-lined streets and plenty of sidewalks, this is an ideal neighborhood for those looking to escape the hustle and bustle of student life. As the name suggests, East Campus is a small neighborhood located to the east of campus.



#### 10% of Oregon Law Students

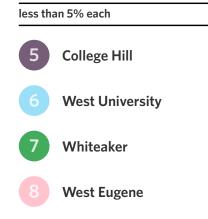
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#### 5% of Oregon Law Students

A firmly residential neighborhood, made up of mostly single-family homes and some smaller apartment buildings, Amazon presents a great value for students looking to live affordably on their own. Rental prices for classic-style apartments are lower here on average than in other neighborhood.

#### **Other Neighborhoods**



# Downtown

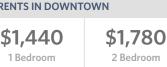
Close to Campus

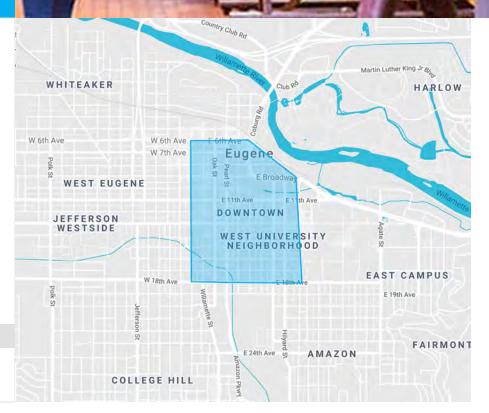
#### **ABOUT DOWNTOWN**

Downtown is perfectly situated to allow easy access to campus as well as all the amenities Eugene has to offer. Students will find that they have no trouble walking from their apartment to class, as well as to the area's many fantastic restaurants, bars, and grocery stores.



\$1,550 Studio





#### WHAT RESIDENTS THINK ABOUT DOWNTOWN

#### \*\*\*\*

**Review by Oregon Law Student** 

CROSSWOOD

The neighborhood is surrounded by other apartment complexes. For most of the time it is very peaceful. We are near the train tracks and at times that gets a bit loud. We are a 20 min walk from alton baker park/autzen stadium. Five min walk to campus. Three min walk to market. There are community members that do pass through at times, which is very normal for any location.

#### \*\*\*\*

Review by Oregon Law Student

**•** FERRY ST FLATS

Great neighborhood, mostly surrounded by other students. Pretty quiet and not too much noise even on weekends. Lots of pet owners.

# Harlow Lots of Green Space

#### **ABOUT HARLOW**

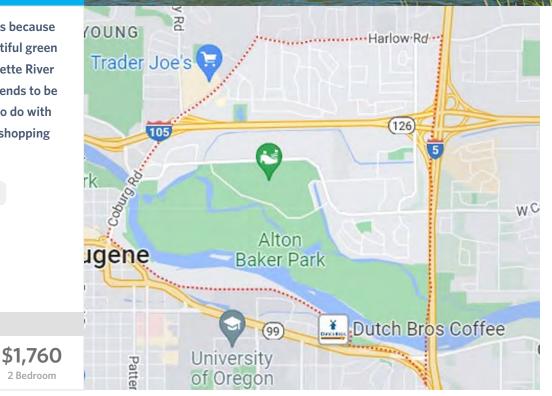
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> Park **Green Space Easy Commute**

MEDIAN RENTS IN HARLOW \$980 \$1,380

1 Bedroom

Studio



#### WHAT RESIDENTS THINK ABOUT HARLOW

#### \*\*\*\*

#### **Review by Oregon Law Student Q** CHASE COURTYARD

2 Bedroom

Incredibly safe neighborhood with lots of other students nearby. Easy to walk around during the day without feeling uncomfortable. Alton Baker Park is only a twenty minute walk away.

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#### **Review by Oregon Law Student**

Parkgrove is not student housing, so there are a lot of families in the complex. However, it is surrounded by student housing (Chase Village, Ducks Village, etc), so it can be noisy. It is also right across from Autzen, so during football games, the whole area is slammed with traffic, and roads close.

# East Campus

Home to University of Oregon

#### **ABOUT EAST CAMPUS**

Expect plenty of buzz and excitement if you decide to live in East Campus. Since it's home to the university, you'll also find that most necessities (like groceries) are accessible by walking. While it's not the top-ranked spot for graduate students, it's great for those who want to experience the campus feel.

**Close to Downtown** 

MEDIAN RENTS IN EAST CAMPUS

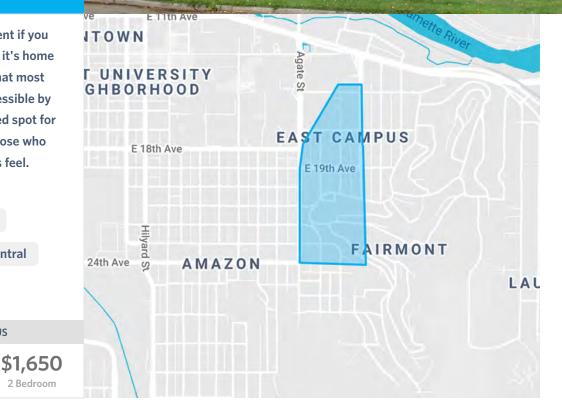
\$1,350

1 Bedroom

Students

Central

2 Bedroom



#### WHAT RESIDENTS THINK ABOUT EAST CAMPUS

#### \*\*\*\*

\$1,200

Studio

#### **Review by Oregon Law Student**

Campus

**Restaurants and Bars** 

It is so nice to be so close to campus. There are many students around which is nice but also has its negative. Very pretty too, I like to take walks around campus when I have the chance.

#### \*\*\*\*\*

#### **Review by Oregon Law Student ORCHARD CROSS.**

There are several restaurants relatively close to the apartment building. However, most of the bars and other social activities are 30+ minutes away if you're walking and are easier to manage by car. Otherwise, I feel relatively comfortable walking to get a coffee or to go to the law school.

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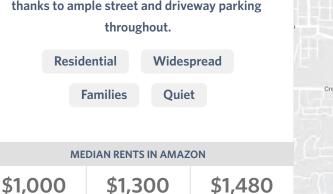
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#### **ABOUT AMAZON**

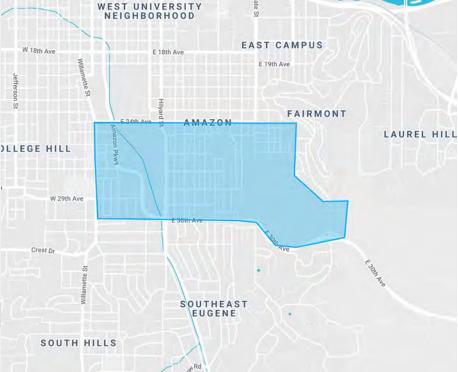
The Amazon neighborhood is a massive area that extends from Willamette Street to Hendricks Park. It is also worth noting that because the neighborhood is so large, some may find themselves living quite far from campus. In those situations, it is recommended to have access to a car, which is guite doable thanks to ample street and driveway parking throughout.

\$1,300

1 Bedroom



2 Bedroom



#### WHAT RESIDENTS THINK ABOUT AMAZON

#### \*\*\*\*\*

Studio

#### **Review by Oregon Law Student**

Great place to bike, hike, walk, run, & anything else outdoors! Beautiful luscious Green valley's and mountain views that are breathtaking. WE ARE ALSO THE MOUNTAIN BIKING CAPITAL OF NORTH AMERICA!!!

#### \*\*\*\*

#### **Review by Oregon Law Student**

Close to the UO, but far enough away to not be on campus. Next to 2-3 different parks, and within distance of a couple restaurants.

# **APARTMENT** RATINGS

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## **KEY**

- ••• Excellent for a category \$\$\$\$ \$1530+ per renter
- ... Great ••
  - Average
- Below average •
- \$\$\$ \$1410-\$1529
- \$\$ \$1170-\$1409
- \$ < \$1170

\* Prices subject to change and may vary significantly by room type

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Westgate	Apt	6.3	\$\$				••	••	••	•••	••

\*\*\* Some buildings with fewer than 3 reviews are included above because of high ratings but do not appear in the top 10 lists.

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# MOST POPULAR

Buildings with the most Oregon Law students

### READ MORE REVIEWS AT VERYAPT.COM

#### What students typically look for:

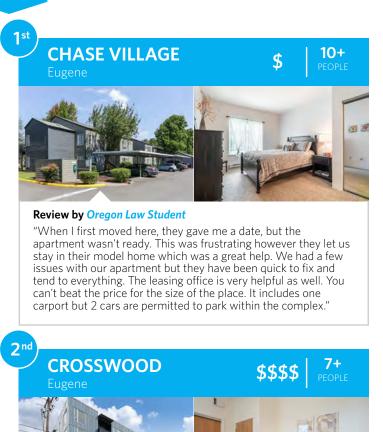


- Excellent location
  - Reasonably-priced apartments
  - Solid amenities



# TOP 5







"I have lived at Crosswood for two years and will stay here while I am in law school. The best thing about the apartment is that it

#### Review by Oregon Law Student

**Review by Oregon Law Student** 

"This complex is one of the best I've lived in. It's quiet, clean, and the management is really on top of things. I love the keyed access to the building and size of the studio."

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# **BEST FOR AMENITIES**

Highest-rated properties for amenities

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What top amenity properties typically offer:

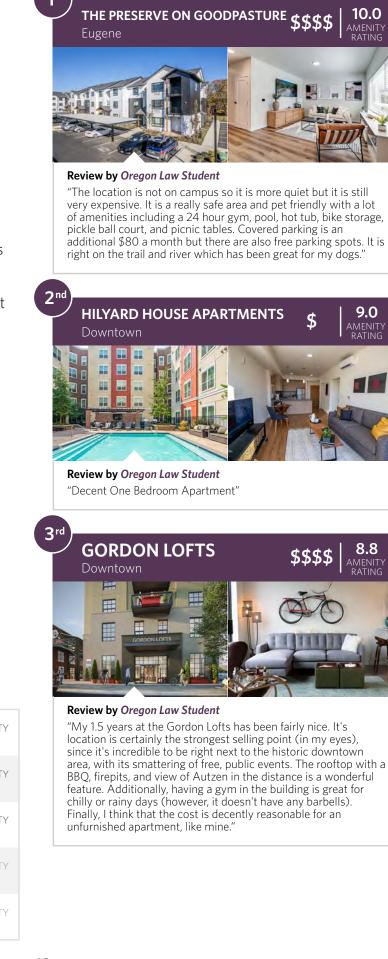


- Great common spaces
- Convenient location
- Excellent management
- Newer construction



# **TOP 5**





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# BEST FOR VALUE

Highest-rated properties for value

#### READ MORE REVIEWS AT VERYAPT.COM

What top value properties typically offer:



- Great price-to-space trade off
- Good location
- Solid amenities and basic features



\$1,480

\$2,270

\$1,300

# TOP 5

\$1,200





"Lark View Village has been great to my fiancé and I since we moved in. The property manager and his team are super friendly and are genuinely here to help. My only gripe is that I am relatively far from campus, and the main road (18th) can fluctuate in time from a 15 to 25 minute drive."



#### Review by Oregon Law Student

"This complex is brand new, surrounded by HOAs and lovely walking paths along the river. Safe and secure with many amenities (gym, pool/hottub, covered parking, pickleball court, grills - open year-round)! They have move-in deals often and free coffee for residents. A little far from campus, so you must drive but the quiet and high end apartments are worth it."



**Review by** Oregon Law Student

"If you have pets or ESA animals, Marcola's Management was great for me to work with. They made it easy for us to set things up and communicate from out of state without a chance to come tour the apartment facility. The gym is ok, but the jacuzzi is open year round so that is a plus. Management has been great to work with whenever we have needed to, and our experience has been great so far."

# Townhomes

Smaller properties and how to find them

#### **ABOUT TOWNHOMES**

Townhomes are apartments in older buildings, typically a few stories tall. They usually do not have a doorman, an elevator, or many amenities, but can be cheaper and more spacious than the apartment and condo units in high-rises.

#### WHY YOU SHOULD CONSIDER A TOWNHOME

CHEAPER	LARGER	FLOOR PLANS	
3+ BEDROOMS AVA	AILABLE	MORE PRIVACY	ſ
WHY YOU MAY W/	ANT TO AV	OID A TOWNHO	OME
NO DOORMAN	LESS CON	VENIENT LOCATIO	NS

MORE MAINTENANCE ISSUES

#### Finding a townhome

Townhomes can be challenging to find because they tend to be individually owned and do not have full time leasing managers. Townhome listings are typically available ~60 days in advance. You can find a townhome by searching online listings, contacting a landlord directly, or by working with VeryApt's Concierge Team who can help identify some options.

#### Preparing for a townhome search

Most Oregon Law students opt for larger properties in order to live closer to other students and simplify the housing search. That said, there are plenty of wonderful townhomes - be prepared to visit more properties to find that perfect home, carefully examine the pros/cons, and move quickly if you find a unit you love.



#### **Reliable Landlords**

Check online reviews and talk to previous tenants to find out about your landlord. Look for one that responds quickly to maintenance requests and has a history of returning deposits.

#### **TIPS AND ADVICE**



#### **Noise and Neighbors**

Sounds often travel well through townhomes and you can easily be disturbed by barking dogs, music, or construction. Check out the surrounding area to get a sense for what it may be like.

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#### Lease Terms

Leases with independent landlords are negotiable. Check your lease for restrictions on sub-letters and visitor policies. You may be able to avoid a rent increase by locking in a longer lease.

# **International Student**

# **Guide to Renting**

Renting an apartment as an international student can feel overwhelming, especially if it's your first time **navigating the housing market** in a new country.

Below is advice to help make the process smoother and highlights key differences from what domestic renters might experience.







Begin your apartment search at least 60-90 days before you need to move, as international students face extra steps that may slow the process.

Popular rental areas nearby fill up fast, so starting early ensures you have enough time to complete paperwork, secure financial guarantees, and resolve any issues.

Also, consider **getting a roommate** to lower monthly costs. You'll want to start this process early so you have time to align with your roommate.

# **Documents You'll Need**

Be prepared to provide more documentation than a domestic renter. Requirements include:



# PROOF OF ENROLLMENT

An acceptance letter or proof of enrollment



PASSPORT And visa information



# PROOF OF FINANCIAL STABILITY

Most apartment buildings and landlords want to see that you, or your guarantor, are making **3x the monthly rent**.

Documents for proof include bank statements, scholarships/financial aid, or proof of funding.



# GUARANTOR

Some landlords require a local guarantor (someone who can pay the rent if you don't). Universities may offer services to act as a guarantor for international students, or you can look into thirdparty guarantor services if you do not have one.

# **Credit History**

Domestic renters often need a good credit history to rent an apartment, which can be a challenge for international students who don't have a U.S. credit score. If this is the case:



BE PREPARED TO OFFER A LARGER SECURITY DEPOSIT Many apartments and landlords will charge higher up-front costs because you do not have a credit score.



**FIND A CO-SIGNER** (Someone with a U.S. credit history to back your lease)

Some landlords are more flexible and may not require credit checks for students, so ask upfront.

# Utilities and Up-Front Costs

While apartment buildings vary in their policies, you can usually expect to pay:

# **SECURITY DEPOSITS**



Equivalent to: 1 Full Month of Rent + First & Last Month's Rent

## UTILITIES (If they aren't included)



Ask your landlord what is included before you sign the lease to ensure the monthly expenses fit in your budget.

# Know Your Rights

Tenant rights differ depending on where you are renting. Familiarize yourself with local rental laws, including:

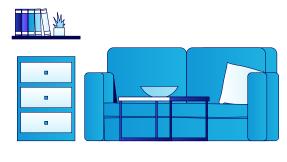
SECURITY DEPOSITS	Typically refunded at the end of your lease if there's no damage.	
MAINTENANCE	Landlords are responsible for repairs, so be sure to report issues in writing.	×
EVICTION	Ensure you know the rules around eviction notices and rent increases.	

# 6 Understand Lease Terms

LEASE LENGTH	<ul> <li>Most leases in the U.S. are 12 months.</li> <li>Short-term leases may cost more, and subleasing might be an option if you only need housing for part of the year.</li> </ul>
RENT PAYMENT	<ul> <li>U.S. rent is typically paid monthly, and sometimes landlords will ask for the first and last month's rent upfront.</li> <li>International wire transfers can take time, so set up</li> </ul>
	a U.S. bank account to simplify payment.

# Furnishing Your Apartment

Many U.S. apartments are rented unfurnished. Here are a few tips:



# FURNITURE

Consider buying second-hand furniture from local stores or online platforms like Craigslist or Facebook Marketplace.



# SHORT-TERM RENTALS

If you're only staying for a semester or short-term, look for furnished apartments or ask about flexible furniture rental services.

# **Final Tips**



Avoid sending money before seeing the apartment or signing a lease. Always deal with reputable landlords or property management companies.



Ask questions if something is unclear, and consider asking a friend or advisor to review documents with you.

QUESTIONS?

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For more detailed reviews and personalized recommendations, visit our website below:

