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FOR STUDENTS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF UNIVERSITY HOUSING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

## HOME IS WHERE THE ARCH IS

Volunteers and staff will be on hand during move in to help students navigate parking, check in and cart checkout.



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NEED TO KNOW ABOUT  
**MOVE IN**

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## NEW STUDENT HUB

At press time, all information in this guide is accurate. Dates and details may change as we receive additional guidance and instructions from the University of Georgia, the University System of Georgia, the State of Georgia, and the Centers for Disease Control.

Find all the up-to-date information and resources students, friends and families need in our new student online hub:

- Downloads
- Links
- Video playlists
- What to bring checklist
- Communications archive



NEW STUDENT ONLINE HUB





## + MOVE IN 2021

It's all hands on deck when we welcome more than 8,500 students in just five days! Students who plan to arrive August 13-15 should plan ahead by scheduling an arrival time, which helps us manage traffic, parking and elevator lines. More information can be found on page 16.



## To parents and families, from the executive director



The transition to college is a big step, and living on campus is a significant part of the UGA experience for first-year students. We hope this magazine will help you prepare for the transitions ahead.

Students may encounter challenges while moving from home to a residence hall. Students will face a more independent lifestyle and experience new freedoms/responsibilities. Questions are certain to be on your students' minds; Will

I get along with my roommate? How academically prepared am I for college? Will I make the right decisions for me about the real-life realities of being an adult? University Housing staff members are a resource for new students finding their individual answers to these questions.

Living on campus may be the first time your student shares a bedroom or bathroom with other individuals. Sharing space with a roommate requires good communication, compromise and a mutual understanding of roommate rights and responsibilities. Students will live and study with individuals who are different from them. We encourage students to develop knowledge and awareness to be successful in our diverse environment that will lead to lifelong skills and friendships.

University Housing is committed to providing comfortable, affordable and secure places where the academic success and personal growth of residents are encouraged and supported. Please review the information about campus resources. In addition, I encourage your student to contact staff whenever questions or concerns arise. Undergraduate, graduate and full-time professional staff members are available to assist within the residence hall where your student lives.

We look forward to being a partner in your student's transition to UGA. We are excited about meeting your student this fall and hope they will have a positive and enjoyable on-campus experience.

Sincerely, and Go Dawgs!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. Kasper'.

Linda Kasper  
Executive Director for University Housing

## DIRECTORY

**Central housing office** (located in Russell Hall)  
706-542-1421  
[housing@uga.edu](mailto:housing@uga.edu)

### West Campus Area

*Creswell, Russell and Brumby halls*

**Area office (in Brumby Hall): 706-542-8344**

Brumby Hall front desk: 706-542-8357

Creswell Hall front desk: 706-542-8289

Russell Hall front desk: 706-542-6090

### Central Campus Area

*Boggs, Church, Hill, Mell, Lipscomb, Mary Lyndon, Morris, Myers, Oglethorpe House, Reed, Payne, Rutherford and Soule halls*

**Area Office (in Myers Hall): 706-542-5217**

Hill Hall front desk: 706-542-9424

Morris Hall front desk: 706-357-3311

Myers Hall front desk: 706-542-8271

Oglethorpe House front desk: 706-542-8384

Reed front desk: 706-542-3753

### East Campus Area

*Building 1516, Busbee, McWhorter, Rooker, Vandiver halls and University Village apartments*

**Area Office (in Rooker Hall): 706-542-2041**

Rooker Hall front desk: 706-542-1780

Building 1516 front desk: 706-583-0277

University Village front desk: 706-542-1473

### Health Sciences Campus (HSC)

*Brown Hall, Gilmore Circle townhomes, Kenny Road townhomes, McGowan Road townhomes*

**Area office (in Brown Hall): 706-713-2654**

Brown Hall front desk: 706-713-2657

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### Parking and Transportation Services:

706-542-7275

[parking.uga.edu](http://parking.uga.edu)

### University Health Center:

706-542-1162

[uhs.uga.edu](http://uhs.uga.edu)

### Dining Services:

706-542-1256

[foodservice.uga.edu](http://foodservice.uga.edu)

### Student Employment/Career Center:

706-542-3375

[career.uga.edu](http://career.uga.edu)

### Bursar's Office/Student Accounts:

706-542-2965

[bursar.uga.edu](http://bursar.uga.edu)

### Student Financial Aid:

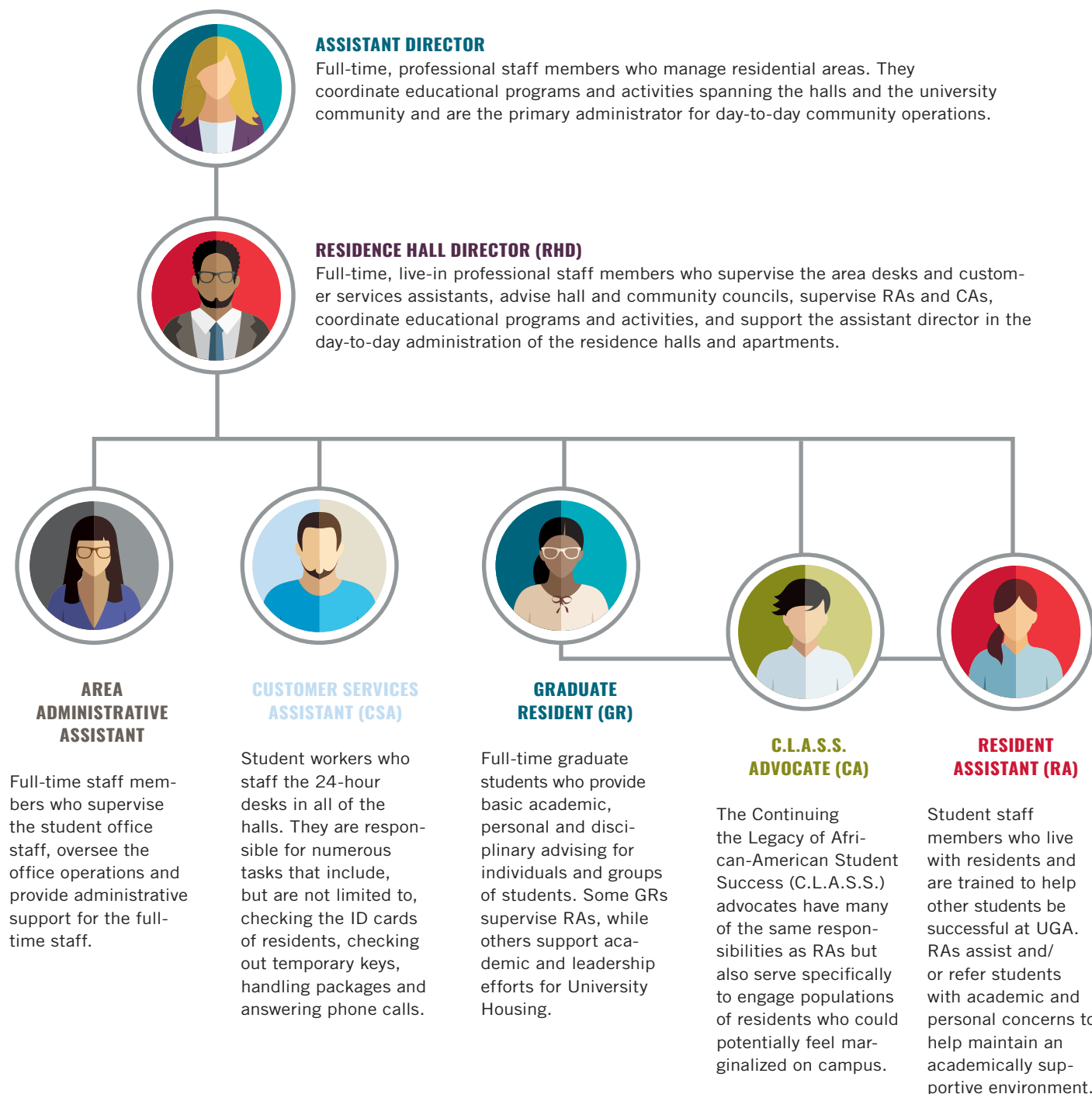
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# Who's who in the halls

Both professional and student staff members support residents' academic success and personal growth at UGA; here's a glimpse of the staff members that students will find while living on campus





# Security is a top priority

Moving away from home and into a residence hall is a significant change for most students, and understandably, a common concern among students and their families is safety. University Housing is also concerned about resident safety, which is why the provision of secure on-campus housing options is a core element of our mission statement



## RESIDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Our most important resource for residence hall security lies in the hands of our residents. Students must remain diligent in complying with all of University Housing's security policies, including not holding doors for people who may be seeking to sneak in past a secure checkpoint, not allowing unescorted visitors to circulate in living areas and never propping open exterior doors. Security is part of our departmental mission, and it is also every resident's responsibility.



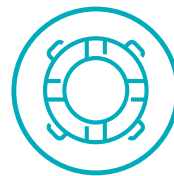
## ACCESS

In addition to providing a form of identification, the UGA OneCard is necessary to enter the secure areas of residence halls in conjunction with a PIN that controls the doors to residential areas. Security is enhanced through the use of surveillance camera systems. Each resident is issued a key to his/her individual room door and, in the event of lost keys, doors to resident rooms are re-keyed.



## SECURITY PERSONNEL

University Housing employs its own team of uniformed security personnel who assist with the monitoring of residence halls between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. every night. Responding to emergency situations, identifying or security concerns and checking access to residence hall entrances and exits are just a few of the nightly duties of security personnel.



## ON-CALL STAFF

After normal business hours and on weekends, student and professional staff members are on call to support student needs. Each of housing's nine residential communities also has a 24-hour desk, where residents can get assistance with missing keys, verify their identity for entry and report maintenance issues.



## VISITATION

Visitation designations are specific to each hall:

Visitation 1 (restricted): Visitation permitted Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. and beginning 10 a.m. Friday-Saturday, ending at 2 a.m. Monday (Sunday night).

Visitation 2 (24-hour): Visitation permitted 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Roommate's rights have priority over visitor's rights. Residents can further restrict the current visitation policy, but not broaden it. If consensus cannot be met independently, RAs will assist in creating a written agreement with the roommates.



**STAFF SPOTLIGHT**  
SECURITY COORDINATOR

Security coordinator **RICKY YOUNG** and his team are used to taking on challenges as they come their way. Not only are they a visible presence on campus helping to deter and/or handle various problems, they also handle some maintenance and facilities issues as well as building security.

Sometimes Young and his team run into more serious

issues, but very rarely do they have to get the UGA police involved. Instead, they focus on de-escalation. They are also available when a student needs them. "It could be as simple as somebody just wanting somebody to talk to," said Young.

If someone's having a mental health issue, Young and his team connect them with housing staff, campus police, mental health

services or whatever else they might need.

"You never know what you're going to get," he said, describing a typical night on the job. "I get calls all the time. And if I can help them, I will. That's basically our MO within this unit. If we can't help you, we will find somebody who can."





# Everyday sustainability

*University Housing is combining the student learning experience and sustainable initiatives*

University Housing provides sustainability education and infrastructure to more than 8,500 residents.

A coordinated effort in August, called Hunker Down with Housing, organizes and ensures packaging from new futons, mini fridges and appliances are properly recycled during the move-in process, said Christy Tweedy, University Housing's sustainability coordinator.

"Volunteers separate cardboard, plastic film and Styrofoam," said Tweedy. "Plastic film and Styrofoam do not go into our mixed recycling stream, but they go to the Center for Hard to Recycle Material."

Student ambassadors known as EcoReps, engage in educational efforts and provide guidance to housing residents.

Haley Swanger served in the Myers Community as an EcoRep by educating residents about the compost tumbler, located outside of Rutherford Hall. This tumbler speeds up the food decomposition process to reduce methane in landfills.

"I have tabled in Myers to teach residents how to compost and the purpose of it by handing out bananas as a tool to explain the issue of methane in landfills," Swanger explained.

EcoReps learn how to communicate with peers in their halls and use critical thinking skills to reduce environmental impact in their halls, said Tweedy.

Another key initiative to reduce impact is the Green Cup

Challenge, which is an energy conservation competition between residence halls during October.

This past year, the highest electricity reduction from baseline was 21 percent.

"We also suggest making residence hall events zero-waste by having students bring their own mugs in exchange for something like a cookie. We also offer zero-waste event kits with reusable dining utensils, plates and cups," Tweedy said.

The focus on reusing items carries into the move-out process during Dawgs Ditch the Dumpster and Donate, when students donate their futons, shelves and other items to local nonprofit organizations.

This year the Dawgs Ditch the Dumpster and Donate program prevented roughly 20 roll-off loads of trash—around 50,000 pounds—from being deposited into landfills.

To be a part of these efforts, housing annually requests volunteers to assist with move in and move out.

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Housing's newest sustainability initiative involves collecting compostable materials from the residence halls. Nearly all halls now have a compost bin, into which residents may place food scraps, which are then collected and converted at UGA's Bioconversion Center. From there, the compost is used all over campus, including at the UGArdan, a teaching farm that grows food for hungry community members.





## Higher involvement means higher GPAs

National studies show students who are involved on campus earn higher GPAs and have higher graduation rates. University Housing offers a few ways for residents to be involved in their community and on campus, including Residential Hall Association (RHA) and National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH). In these organizations, students gain valuable leadership experience as they facilitate events, socials and service opportunities for residents throughout the year.

### + COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The primary governing bodies in our halls are community councils composed of elected officers and representatives of residents within that hall. Taking part in residence hall government is an excellent way to develop leadership skills and to become involved in the community. Each group's purpose is the same: to implement programs and activities that respond to the needs and requests of residents on issues that affect their living environments.

# Where does your housing fee go?

The outstanding services and programs that make living in University Housing an enjoyable and productive experience require a great deal of resources. If you have ever wondered where your fee goes, here we illustrate how useful each and every penny can be.



## PERSONNEL SERVICES

27%

Personnel services accounts for the salaries, wages and benefits of the University Housing staff members, including student workers. University Housing employs more than 400 student workers and is one of the largest employers of student workers on campus.

## UTILITIES

7%

With the rising costs of natural resources, energy costs have also increased. The luxury of having all utilities included in rent utilizes a significant portion of the rent dollar. For instance, last year alone, University Housing paid approximately \$3.4 million for utilities.

## COMMUNICATIONS

4%

High-speed Internet, office and 24-hour desk phone lines, as well as cell phones for on-call staff are a small portion of the housing fee for residents.

## OPERATING EXPENSES

9%

Services such as insurance, administrative overhead, supplies and regular repairs and maintenance.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

39%

Each year, any revenue amount that exceeds operating expenses is contributed to University Housing's fund balance. In order to keep the buildings as up-to-date as possible, all halls are assessed for renovation needs. For instance, over the past fiscal year, we began construction of a new first-year residence hall, Building 2264, upgraded furniture in supplemental spaces and are replacing the roof of Creswell Hall.

## DEBT SERVICES

14%

Paying off long-term debt associated with past large-scale capital projects results in debt service payments (mortgages) each year. East Campus Village (built in 2004), Building 1516 (built in 2010) and Rutherford Hall (built in 2013) account for the majority of debt obligations. All of these projects were financed by the UGA Real Estate Foundation.



# Improving access to housing

*An endowed scholarship makes it easier for non-first year students to continue benefiting from living on campus*

For the 2021–2022 academic year, University Housing awarded three students the Jim Day Housing Scholarship, which offers financial assistance to outstanding students to offset the cost of living on campus.

Recipients of the scholarships are current UGA undergraduate students with on-campus room assignments, who demonstrate financial need as determined by the UGA Office of Financial Aid.

If awarded a scholarship, recipients

must commit to living on campus for the 2021–2022 academic year. These stand-out students contribute to others' on-campus experiences by actively participating in their communities.

The executive director of University Housing from 1990 to 2006, Dr. James "Jim" Day, conceived and initially funded the University Housing Scholarship Fund to assist students with financial need offset the cost of on-campus housing.



**NUSRATH NAURIN**

As a first-year and first-generation college student, coming into UGA during the pandemic has been very difficult. One of the ways in which I have been able to find normalcy is through the community that I have fostered in my residence hall. As a minority student, living on campus has allowed to me develop a sense of camaraderie amongst my fellow students, and to feel welcomed and comfortable at UGA. Through my past leadership experiences, as well as by taking part in organizations, I have learned administrative and communication skills that will allow me to contribute to my residential community by supporting students who may be experiencing personal hardships.



**LARKIN STILES**

Living on campus I've learned that living with people of so many diverse backgrounds, countries and majors can be just as large of a learning experience as sitting in the classroom. I've learned cooperation in handling interpersonal conflict with my roommates. However, what I've learned most from living on campus is the sustainability of living in a walking community. The relative absence of cars promotes walking, and the combined resources of campus provide a lower resources-per-resident ratio than other housing complexes, and UGA's incredible efforts to make recycling and composting easy and convenient are nothing short of extraordinary!



**ILIANA SMITH**

I feel that living in the dorms has made me an expert in how to cooperate with others and improved my ability to speak thoroughly and listen to others. It has helped me make one of my dearest friends. I truly thank the dorms for that. I want to continue to live on campus because the ECV housing [team] does an excellent job of bringing the community together. The mini events that are plastered on the walls in the hallways make me feel more involved. I believe that living on campus has provided me greater satisfaction in my undergraduate experience, and I can't wait to experience more!



## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR

Adapting to the pandemic usually means going online. **CHRISTY TWEEDY's** job, however, is about the environment – understanding it, protecting it and actually getting outside in it. So instead of sitting in front of a screen talking about reusable forks, she got students outside and engaged with the campus and community.

As the school year progressed, she took students on masked and socially distanced field trips to local spots like Athens Farmers Market.

"It was a great opportunity to highlight local food and see what kind of foods grow in this region and who it's grown by," she said.

Tweedy's passion for sustainability came when she was working on an organic farm after college and contemplated the fate of her banana peel. "I learned what happened to my banana peel if I put it in the garbage – how it goes to the landfill and produces methane, a powerful greenhouse gas. However, if I composted it, that compost can produce nutrient rich soil which, in turn, can produce healthy nutrient-rich foods. That blew my mind."

Tweedy has been similarly inspired by working with her students. "Even though things have changed due to the pandemic, they can still engage and feel empowered during this ambiguous time," she said. "Just like with our changing climate, we really have to embrace and practice adaptability in ways that work for all."





## Like and subscribe

*Ambassador and video producer positions offer a student perspective on campus living*

Since September of 2017, University Housing has employed current residents to capture their experiences and share them on housing's YouTube channel.

The student video producers have given viewers a tour of their rooms, shown us a day in their life as a student and offered some great tips for residents on entering the annual Room of the Year contest. They also collaborate with campus partners to offer advice about topics such as roommate relationships, studying, staying healthy and getting involved in campus organizations.

For example, video producer Abby documented her adventures as she works her way through housing's 101 Things to Do in Athens list ([housing.uga.edu/101-things-to-do-in-athens](http://housing.uga.edu/101-things-to-do-in-athens)).

In fall 2019, housing added social media ambassadors, whose job it is to document happenings in the halls. The first troupe of ambassadors helped with RA recruitment, Housing Against Hunger—the department's annual canned food

drive—and worked with peers to create a sense of community after COVID-19 led to an early move out.

This past year, ambassadors and video producers helped keep residents up to date on virtual and in-person activities available on campus. Ambassadors Nikhil and Laurynn (above) formed Popsicle Patrol during move in to hand out popsicles, and initiated “mask gratitude” pop-ups, during which they gave out prizes to students wearing masks outdoors and following social distancing guidelines.

Keep up with housing student representatives by subscribing to University Housing's YouTube channel at [youtube.com/housinguga](https://www.youtube.com/housinguga) and by following them on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @UGAHousing.

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The 2020-21 University Housing street team consisted of five social media ambassadors and two video producers who capture life in the halls and on campus. Applications to be on the 2021-22 team are open through June 14 at [housing.uga.edu](http://housing.uga.edu)



# An environment of learning

University Housing promotes residents' academic success by supporting special programs both inside and outside of the classroom. In addition to the department's new residential curriculum—an intentional way of guiding students to specific learning outcomes within the residence halls—University Housing works with academic partners to support cohorts based on common interests

## **SPANISH AND FRENCH LANGUAGE COMMUNITIES** **MARY LYNDON HALL**

The language communities in French and Spanish provide a means for interested students to blend their residential and academic experiences and improve language skills through a simulated immersion environment. The communities are supervised by faculty coordinators. In each community, a graduate assistant specializing in the target language serves as resident language coordinator. Their role is to facilitate the use of the target language through spontaneous and organized activities, such as informal conversations, dinners, cooking demonstrations, guest lectures, concerts, excursions, community outreach and a required weekly conversation course. The communities complement classroom language instruction by offering more intensive and natural exposure to the target language. Any student, incoming or already enrolled at UGA, who has studied French or Spanish at the intermediate level is eligible to apply.

[langcomm.uga.edu](http://langcomm.uga.edu)

## **THE LAUNCH PAD** **CRESWELL HALL**

The Launch Pad Living Learning Community is the launch point for aspiring entrepreneurs at UGA.

The Launch Pad houses up to 40 innovative students who live in an environment where first-years immediately begin collaborating on ideas and processes.

Launch Pad students also benefit from:

- Automatic acceptance into the Entrepreneurship Certificate Program during their first year
- Enrollment in the Entrepreneurship First-Year Odyssey Seminar
- Membership in the Athensmade Tech Incubator and/or other local incubators
- Membership in the Society of Entrepreneurs, the student organization for innovative students
- Access to maker spaces in the lobby of Creswell and at Studio 225, the Student Center for Entrepreneurship. Both include 3-D printing capability, raspberry pi support, vinyl cutters, and tools for prototyping concepts.

[ugaentr.com](http://ugaentr.com)

## **RUSSIAN FLAGSHIP PROGRAM** **BUILDING 1516**

The UGA Russian Flagship Living Learning Community provides a means for students to blend their residential and academic experiences to enhance the overall quality of college life and to explore and promote Russian language and culture through a simulated immersion environment.

Residents speak Russian daily through spontaneous and organized activities and informal conversations. Russian Flagship tutoring sessions are offered on site weekly. Additional residential activities include dinners, dances, socials, guest lectures, concerts, excursions, performances and exhibitions. UGA Russian Flagship Program students are encouraged to live in the community.

[gsstudies.uga.edu/flagship](http://gsstudies.uga.edu/flagship)

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Undergraduates Haylee Peters, Logan Haynes, Andrew Capuano, and Lauren Gower working on a group project during a First-Year Odyssey entrepreneurship class in the Launch Pad in Creswell Hall.

### **THRIVE AT GEORGIA** **RUSSELL HALL**

THRIVE offers a transformative four-week academic residential program to a diverse community of first-year undergraduates. Introducing scholars to the rigors and unique learning opportunities at America's first state-chartered university, THRIVE allows students to form meaningful academic and social networks, equipping them for future academic success.

Students enroll in two credit-bearing courses including a high-demand discipline-based course and a service-learning course that fulfills the university's experiential learning requirement for most majors.

[dae.uga.edu/initiatives/thrive/thrive](http://dae.uga.edu/initiatives/thrive/thrive)

### **HONORS MAGNET PROGRAM** **MYERS HALL**

This residential program creates a community living environment for approximately 250 first-year UGA Honors participants to share ideas and views from different disciplines. The Honors Program offers smaller classes taught by leading faculty member and provides an array of special beyond the classroom opportunities. All first-year Honors students take an introductory honors course that helps students establish a shared experience and sense of community. The Honors Program maintains a satellite office in Myers Hall to provide academic advising. Incoming, transfer, and current UGA students are welcoming to apply to the Honors Program. You can learn more about it at [honors.uga.edu](http://honors.uga.edu).

[honors.uga.edu](http://honors.uga.edu)

### **FRANKLIN RESIDENTIAL** **COLLEGE (FRC)** **RUTHERFORD HALL**

The Franklin Residential College or "FRC" is UGA's oldest living learning community, open to students with a major or minor in the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences. Under the leadership of a faculty director and an academic adviser in residence, FRC features a vibrant calendar of academic events, service learning projects, and social gatherings. The FRC also provides opportunities for student leadership and employment, as well as experiential learning credit and funding, through its executive board. Students interested in applying to join mid-year should email [frc@uga.edu](mailto:frc@uga.edu) in the fall.

[frc.uga.edu](http://frc.uga.edu)







# Campus technology resources

The University of Georgia has all the technology tools to help you succeed. Whether it is helping you navigate your way around campus, or providing opportunities to enrich your academic experience, UGA has resources available to you

Enterprise Information Technology Services, or EITS, is the central IT department at the university. EITS manages many key technologies across campus, such as UGAMail, Athena, wireless networks, the official UGA Mobile App, and eLearning Commons (eLC).

If you need help with technology, visit the EITS Help Desk website ([eitshelpdesk.uga.edu](http://eitshelpdesk.uga.edu)) for how-to guides on all EITS services.

You can also contact the EITS Help Desk at 706-542-3106 or [helpdesk@uga.edu](mailto:helpdesk@uga.edu) or use our online chat service at [hd.support.uga.edu](http://hd.support.uga.edu) if you need assistance.

## GET CONNECTED

To get the most out of the technology tools EITS offers, you will first need a secure Internet connection. The University of Georgia's preferred wireless network is PAWS-Secure, which is available throughout campus. You do not need to bring a wireless router to campus.

PAWS-Secure is available to anyone with a valid UGA MyID, such as students, faculty and staff. PAWS-Secure requires a one-time registration for your device. To access PAWS-Secure, provide your valid UGA MyID and password when prompted.

Eduroam is another wireless network available in all academic buildings on campus. To connect to eduroam, provide your full UGA credentials with your MyID followed by "@uga.edu" (example: [YourMyID@uga.edu](mailto:YourMyID@uga.edu)). Students can also use their UGA credentials to get wireless service when visiting participating eduroam institutions in the United States and abroad.

To learn more about connecting to wifi networks or the wired (Ethernet) network in the residence halls, visit [getconnected.uga.edu](http://getconnected.uga.edu).

## TOOLS FOR LEARNING

You will register for your classes as part of first-year orientation in Athena—UGA's online student information system. Depending on your classes, you may also be automatically enrolled in eLearning Commons (eLC), the University's online learning management sys-

tem. Your instructors may choose to use eLC for course assignments, quizzes, assessments and class communication. For more information, visit [elc.uga.edu](http://elc.uga.edu).

All eligible students, faculty and staff have free access to all Microsoft Office 365 products through their UGAMail accounts. For more information, visit [office365.uga.edu](http://office365.uga.edu).

## TECH TOOLS AROUND CAMPUS

EITS manages several computer labs across campus, including several in the residence halls. You can find a list at [eits.uga.edu/cts/computer\\_labs/](http://eits.uga.edu/cts/computer_labs/)

You can also access computer lab software remotely anytime, anywhere through vLab, the university's virtual lab environment. Simply point your web browser to [vlab.uga.edu](http://vlab.uga.edu)

The official UGA Mobile App offers a campus bus tracker, a campus map, dining hall menus, and access to Athena among other

## + EASY PRINTING

Print your documents from the cloud or a USB flash drive at one of the print kiosks located across campus, including in the residence halls. You can pay with a credit or a debit card, or with ApplePay, Venmo or PayPal. For more information, visit [www.printkiosk.uga.edu](http://www.printkiosk.uga.edu)

services and tools. The free app is available in the App Store and Google Play. For more information, visit [mobileapps.uga.edu](http://mobileapps.uga.edu)

## KEEP YOUR IDENTITY SECURE

Keep your information secure by creating a strong password that is a mix of capital and lower-case letters, numbers and special characters.

ArchPass is UGA's two-step login solution, powered by Duo. ArchPass is used by many UGA systems, such as eLC and Athena, during the log-in process to provide an extra layer of security for your UGA accounts. Enroll a device through the Self-Service Enrollment portal at [arch-pass.uga.edu/enroll](http://arch-pass.uga.edu/enroll).

**REGISTER NOW!**



[bit.ly/3uEKwEN](https://bit.ly/3uEKwEN)

# Ask us anything!

## *first-year webinars*

Tuesdays at 7 p.m. June 8-August 10



# Guide to moving in

Each year, the University of Georgia community welcomes more than 8,500 students into its residence halls and apartments. Volunteers work to streamline the move-in process and to address health and safety, traffic congestion, parking lot availability and elevator service

**M**ove in for fall 2021 is 8 a.m. Friday, August 13 until 9 a.m. Wednesday, August 18. At press time, the following details about the move-in process are accurate, but University Housing will provide updates via UGA email and on the move-in portion of the housing website at [housing.uga.edu/move-in](https://housing.uga.edu/move-in).

## ARRIVAL TIMES

In an effort to minimize traffic and checkin congestion, arrival times will be available for students to choose. Arrival times are required for anyone moving in August 13-15, and the arrival time scheduling site will open in late June. More specific information about the site and how to schedule an arrival time will be shared via students' UGA email in advance of the site opening.

**AUGUST 13:** Arrival times required 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Sorority recruitment participants will have priority for arrival times on August 13. This may result in limited time slot availability for other students on August 13 in some buildings.

**AUGUST 14-15:** Arrival times required 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

## UNLOADING ZONES

August 13-15, unloading zones will be established in several parking lots near residence halls to assist residents and their families with move in. Drivers will be issued one-hour parking passes to unload their vehicles and then be redirected to long-term parking lots after unloading. Vehicles remaining longer than the one-hour time period will be towed at the owner's expense. Maps with unloading zones and long-term parking locations for each area of campus will be communicated as they are finalized.

**AUGUST 16-18:** Move in continues round-the-clock with no scheduled arrival time required. Unloading zones will not be enforced, and residents should park in their assigned lot by 7 a.m. August 18

## WHAT YOU'LL NEED TO MOVE IN

Consider bringing a small cart or dolly. Although carts are available in most buildings, there is a limited number of carts available for students to use. You might also consider bringing a small tool kit and a pen for filling out forms at check in.

## MOVE-IN TIMELINE

PRIORITY FOR SORORITY RECRUITMENT  
ARRIVAL TIME REQUIRED  
GENERAL MOVE IN



## MOVE IN BY THE NUMBERS

**8,500+**

students living on campus

**175**

staff and student move-in volunteers helping in a three-day period

**10,000**

average gallons of Styrofoam and plastic film recycled during move in. That's enough to fill a UGA bus top to bottom and front to back!

**5**

days of move in to limit traffic, parking and the number of people in common areas and lobbies

**5**

months housing staff spend planning for traffic and check ins during move in

**1**

hour residents can park in an unloading zone August 13-15.

**unlimited**

amount of time to move your belongings after checking in during your arrival time.

**110+**

videos on the housing YouTube channel at [youtube.com/housinguga](https://youtube.com/housinguga)

**10**

opportunities to participate in a webinar throughout the summer to get your questions answered. For more information, point your smart phone's camera here or visit [housing.uga.edu/first-year-hub](https://housing.uga.edu/first-year-hub):



### CHECKING INTO A RESIDENCE HALL ROOM

Each student must have his/her UGA OneCard or government-issued ID to check in. Students should know their student ID number and emergency contact information (preferably, this should be someone in the United States). Only the student can receive a room key; family members and roommates cannot check into a room and receive a key on behalf of a student.

### MAIL

Mail is delivered by the United States Postal Service to the central mailboxes assigned in each area or hall. In University Village and the Health Sciences Campus (HSC) mail is delivered by the U.S. Postal Service. Addresses are listed on the webpage for each building at [housing.uga.edu/explore-options](https://housing.uga.edu/explore-options). Please arrange to have packages arrive after checking in.

### RESIDENCE HALL CONTRACTS

Students execute housing contracts online. The contract is a legally binding agreement between the student (parent or guardian if under 18 years of age), the university and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. To view an example of a contract, visit [housing.uga.edu/contract](https://housing.uga.edu/contract). For student-specific contracts, students may log in to The Dawg House or contact the University Housing at 706-542-1421 or [housing@uga.edu](mailto:housing@uga.edu).

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first day of class





# What to bring

- ☐ LINENS: Sheets, pillows, comforter, towels. Check [housing.uga.edu](http://housing.uga.edu) for mattress sizes
- ☐ BATHROOM SUPPLIES: Bring a shower basket if you will have community showers
- ☐ LAUNDRY SUPPLIES
- ☐ CLOTHES HANGERS
- ☐ STORAGE CONTAINERS
- ☐ SHOE ORGANIZER
- ☐ IRON AND IRONING BOARD
- ☐ COMPACT REFRIGERATOR\*: ENERGY STAR® compliant
- ☐ COMPACT MICROWAVE\*: 1.0 cubic feet maximum capacity
- ☐ EARPLUGS AND HEADPHONES
- ☐ LAPTOP OR COMPUTER
- ☐ ETHERNET CABLE
- ☐ SURGE PROTECTOR
- ☐ BROOM AND/OR VACUUM CLEANER
- ☐ AREA RUG: For rooms that do not have carpet
- ☐ SMALL FAN
- ☐ DESK LAMP OR PORTABLE LAMP
- ☐ TRASH CAN LINERS
- ☐ UMBRELLA
- ☐ THROW BLANKET
- ☐ UGA ONECARD
- ☐ POSTER MOUNTS
- ☐ THUMBTRACKS: Only in Brumby, Russell, Rutherford and the East Campus Village Community
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_
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## WHAT NOT TO BRING

Some items—such as pets (except fish), candles, electric stoves with heating coils and space heaters—are prohibited. For a complete list of policies and guidelines, visit the Community Guide at [housing.uga.edu](http://housing.uga.edu)

COMMUNITY GUIDE



\*All rooms in Morris, Payne and Reed halls have a microfidge (a mini fridge and microwave combination). Apartments in East Campus Village have full-size microwaves and refrigerators. Apartments in University Village have full-size refrigerators and an oven/stove.



## Five dorm must-haves

*Second-year student and Payne Hall resident Miya Bleth recommends five things that helped her make the most of living on campus*



### **BEDSIDE STORAGE**

So convenient for putting away my laptop when I'm in my lofted bed and don't want to climb down, and storing bedtime essentials like a water bottle, headphones, Apple watch, lip balm, etc.



### **MINI CORK BOARDS**

Very useful for hanging up my jewelry, masks, and sweet mementos from this year at UGA. They usually come with adhesives for the wall. You can customize with unique push pins to make them reflect YOU more.



### **DIY PHOTO HANGER**

My favorite reminder of home! A stick from my backyard, Shutterfly's unlimited FREE 4x4 prints, faux flowers from a craft store, thin pieces of string lying around my house, hot glue and tape. A perfect mix of decoration and remembrance.



### **A STUFFED FRIEND**

My friend and I made Build-a-Bears before I moved away for college. This was the perfect way to keep a small piece of home with me as I prepared for my big transition.



### **GRADUATION CARDS**

I kept my "Congratulations" and graduation cards that friends and family sent me to remind me of the undying support I have and to motivate me to remember why I'm here.

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for more great dorm decorating ideas





## Buyer beware

*Do your research on rental companies*

As the start of fall semester draws closer, you can expect to receive a number of commercial solicitations from futon companies, refrigerator rental companies and other businesses that provide various products and services targeted to our student population.

Georgia's open records laws require the University of Georgia to provide mailing addresses to any outside party that submits a request for the information. Although information on items such as student grades and health records are protected from such a request, unless you have restricted the information, student addresses are not protected.

You may receive mailings regarding products that look to be official from the university, but University Housing does not endorse, solicit on behalf of, or maintain a partnership with any outside vendors or manufacturer. The department does not certify that any products or appliances meet our specifications or abide by our policies. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that products and services used in the residence halls are permitted and adhere to housing guidelines and policies—check the online Community

### MOVE-IN TIP

On move-in days, you may see local entrepreneurs offering to help move belongings for a tip. You may utilize outside help, but know that official housing volunteers will wear shirts with the housing logo, and do not assist with moving student belongings.

Guide for specifics. If you choose to do business with one of these vendors, we urge you to contact your chosen company well in advance of opening day to ensure timely delivery and installation, for which students must be present.

Most importantly, don't pay in cash. A canceled check or credit card statement may be your only proof of payment.



### + 17-POSITION ADJUSTABLE BEDS

Traditional residence hall rooms (except for Busbee, McWhorter, Rooker and Vandiver hall apartments) feature 17-position adjustable beds. Rooms with differently configured beds are noted on individual residence hall pages at [housing.uga.edu](http://housing.uga.edu).

Headboards and footboards are 64" tall by 38" wide with 17 levels of adjustment for height. When raised to the highest position, there is 60" of vertical clearance underneath.

Extra-long twin beds have 80" of horizontal space underneath, and regular twin beds (Creswell and Soule halls) have 75" of horizontal space underneath.

Once they occupy the room following move in, residents may submit a work request through the housing website for housing staff to raise or lower 17-position adjustable beds.





# Move-in recycling

*We'll take your plastic film, Styrofoam and cardboard*

During move in, designated cardboard and Styrofoam recycling areas help us reduce the waste going into landfills and—just as importantly—help us save money! Athens-Clarke County pays us for our recycled cardboard and charges us for emptying dumpsters, so recycling is a win-win.

Students can help by taking cardboard, Styrofoam and other recyclables (glass, aluminum and plastic packaging) to central recycling locations during move in, where our volunteers will be there to help break down boxes and keep the clutter to a minimum.

While living on campus, residents are responsible for their own trash and recycling. We try to make recycling easy—wherever there is a dumpster or a trash can, there should also be a recycling bin. There's no need to separate recyclables; the county uses a single-stream system. Many halls even have compost bins, where residents can deposit food waste that UGA turns into compost.





# Frequently asked questions

## **WHAT CAN I DO TO MAKE MOVE IN GO MORE SMOOTHLY?**

Although there will be large rolling carts available for students to use for free, quantities are limited, so bring a small cart or dolly if you have one. Also consider bringing a small tool kit if you have items to put together—including a rubber mallet for raising or lowering the adjustable beds. You may place all of your trash and recycling in designated exterior locations around each building.

## **IF I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT MY ROOM OR BUILDING, WHO CAN I CALL?**

New residents may contact the area office directly with specific questions. Area office phone numbers are listed on page 4.

## **WHAT IF I WANT A DIFFERENT ROOM OR ROOMMATE?**

Any resident with a housing contract may request a room change at any time. Requests are granted in the order in which they are received and as spaces become available. The more flexible students are about where they would like to move, the more quickly a move is likely to happen.

## **WHAT IS THERE TO DO BETWEEN MOVE IN AND CLASSES STARTING?**

Resident assistants, student organizations and departments will have plenty of fun activities planned—night and day—to help students meet people and adjust to campus. Visit [welcome.uga.edu](http://welcome.uga.edu) for a calendar of activities.

## **WHAT IF I NEED AN ACCOMMODATION?**

All housing requests to accommodate a disability go through the Disability Resource Center (DRC).

## **DO I HAVE TO LEAVE MY ROOM DURING WINTER BREAK AND SPRING BREAK?**

Most undergraduate halls are closed for mid-year breaks, meaning residents must leave during these breaks. Exceptions include Brown Hall, Reed Hall and Payne Hall, which remain open. East Campus Village apartments, University Village apartments and HSC townhomes remain open, as well.

## **HOW CAN I GET AROUND CAMPUS IF I DON'T HAVE A CAR?**

UGA has an extensive transit system. In fact, it carries the highest volume of any university-operated transit system in the United States. Free access to the UGA bus system and the Athens-Clarke County bus system is provided through the student transportation fee.

## **ARE THE HALLS AIR-CONDITIONED?**

All halls have air conditioning and heat.

## **WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVE A MAINTENANCE PROBLEM IN MY ROOM?**

Call 706-542-3999 to report a problem or submit an online work request at [housing.uga.edu](http://housing.uga.edu). For emergencies, students should contact their 24-hour community desk to report the problem. The customer services assistant will contact the appropriate housing staff to address the problem.

## **DO I NEED INSURANCE FOR MY BELONGINGS WHILE LIVING ON CAMPUS?**

University Housing recommends that students obtain some type of renter's insurance whether that be a special policy or as a part of a parent or guardian's homeowner policy.

## **HOW DOES CLEANING WORK IN THE HALLS?**

Custodial staff clean the common areas and bathrooms in each traditional-style residence hall every weekday. Staff also clean bathrooms in suite-style rooms. Custodial staff do not take out the trash or otherwise clean individual student rooms. Students must take their trash and recycling to outdoor dumpsters.

## **WHAT IS THE DECORATION POLICY?**

The condition of the room must be the same at checkout as it is at check in. Residents should review the online Community Guide for the decorations policies specific to the traditional rooms and apartments. Students may bring other furniture but the existing furniture **MUST** remain in the room.

## **CAN I BRING FUTONS, RUGS, CARPETS, MINI FRIDGES AND MICROWAVES?**

Yes. Since room sizes vary widely even

within halls, we suggest waiting until you either have your final room assignment or have moved in to purchase rugs and carpet. You will get information from vendors and you can order from them if you'd like but, as a state institution, we don't endorse them. Check for guidelines in the Community Guide.

## **HOW DO THE COMMUNITY-STYLE BATHROOMS WORK?**

In co-ed halls with community bathrooms, students are generally separated by gender on different floors or wings, with bathrooms designated by gender. In suite-style rooms with bathrooms, each suite houses same-gender students. Some halls have a single-use bathroom available not designated for a specific gender.

## **DO THE HALLS HAVE KITCHENS?**

All halls have communal kitchens. Students must clean up after themselves and use their own kitchen utensils, cookware and dishes. Apartment-style rooms have kitchenettes complete with cabinets, a microwave, a kitchen sink and a full-size refrigerator.

## **DO THE HALLS HAVE LAUNDRY FACILITIES?**

All halls have laundry facilities on-site. Laundry is included in the housing fee—there is no additional cost for laundry—but bring your own HE detergent.

## **WHEN IS THE HOUSING FEE DUE?**

### **HOW DO I PAY?**

Fall fees are typically due when classes begin in August, and spring fees are typically due when classes begin in January. All transactions will be made through Student Accounts in the UGA Bursar's Office. Do not remit any payments to University Housing.

# Residence halls at a glance

COMMUNITY	BUILDING	1ST YEAR ONLY	CAPACITY	VISIT CODE	PREDOMINANT ROOM TYPE	BED SIZE	IN-ROOM TEMP CONTROL	11.5 MONTH CONTRACT	CAR-PET
BRUMBY	BRUMBY	✓	940	1	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
CRESWELL	CRESWELL ‡	✓	960	1	Double with community bath	Twin	✓	✗	✗
HILL	BOGGS*	✓	160	1	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	CHURCH*	✓	160	1	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	HILL*	✓	165	1	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	LIPSCOMB*‡	✓	160	1	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	MELL*‡	✓	160	1	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	MORRIS†*	✓	145	1	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	OGLETHORPE HOUSE*	✗	495	2	Double in suite with bath	XL twin	✓	✗	varies
MYERS	MARY LYNDON	✗	120	2	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	MYERS	✗	410	2	Mixed	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	RUTHERFORD*	✗	260	2	Double with bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✓
	SOULE	✗	90	2	Double and singles in suites and supersuites with bath	Twin	✓	✗	✗
REED	PAYNE†	✗	200	2	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
	REED†	✗	295	2	Mixed	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
RUSSELL	RUSSELL	✓	1000	1	Double with community bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✗
EAST CAMPUS VILLAGE	BUILDING 1516	✗	555	2	Double with bath	XL twin	✓	✗	✓
	BUSBEE, MCWHORTER, ROOKER, VANDIVER	✗	varies	2	Apartment/single room	Full	✓	required in all but Busbee	✓
EAST CAMPUS VILLAGE EXPANDED	BUSBEE, MCWHORTER, ROOKER, VANDIVER	✓	varies	2	Apartment/double room or single room	XL twin or Full	✓	✗	✓
UNIVERSITY VILLAGE EXPANDED	BUILDINGS J, K, L	✗	varies	2	Apartment/double room	XL twin	✓	✗	✓

## GLOSSARY

### APARTMENTS

Residents have private and private or semi-private bathrooms. All apartments feature living rooms and kitchens or kitchenettes.

### DOUBLE WITH COMMUNITY BATH

Two roommates share a room with a bathroom located on the hall. Residents share the community bathroom with members of the same gender. Some floors may have a large, central bathroom while others may have smaller bathrooms that are located throughout the floor.

### DOUBLE WITH BATH

Two residents share a room and an attached bathroom.

### DOUBLE IN SUITE WITH BATH

Two residents share a bath with two other residents of the same gender in a neighboring room.

Residents have access to both rooms through the bathroom.

### DOUBLE WITH SHARED BATH

Two residents share a bathroom with one or two other residents of the same gender in a neighboring room. Residents do not have access to their neighbors' room.

### EAST CAMPUS VILLAGE EXPANDED

Residents share a room in a 2, 3 or 4-bedroom apartment another resident of the same gender with semi-private bathrooms. All apartments feature living rooms and kitchenettes.

### SUPERSUITE

Entry into a common area room that shares access to at least one full bathroom. Bedrooms may be singles or doubles. A residents' key only opens their bedroom.

### VISITATION CODE

**Visitation 1:** Visitation permitted Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. and 24 hours a

day beginning 10 a.m. Friday through Saturday, ending at 2 a.m. Monday (Sunday night).

**Visitation 2:** Visitation permitted at all times.

### UNIVERSITY VILLAGE EXPANDED

Residents share a one-bedroom apartment with another resident of the same gender with semi-private bathrooms. All apartments feature living rooms and full kitchens.

### 11.5-MONTH CONTRACT

Contract includes summer 2022 with an additional rent payment due for summer.

\* Rooms feature in-room sinks

† Rooms are equipped with microfridge (a mini refrigerator and microwave unit)

‡ Residents may experience noise from nearby construction of Building 2264

• Students requiring housing during mid-year breaks, including Thanksgiving break, winter break and spring break, should request a space in Brown, Payne, Reed, Busbee, McWhorter, Rooker or Vandiver hall

• Capacity is rounded to the nearest 5



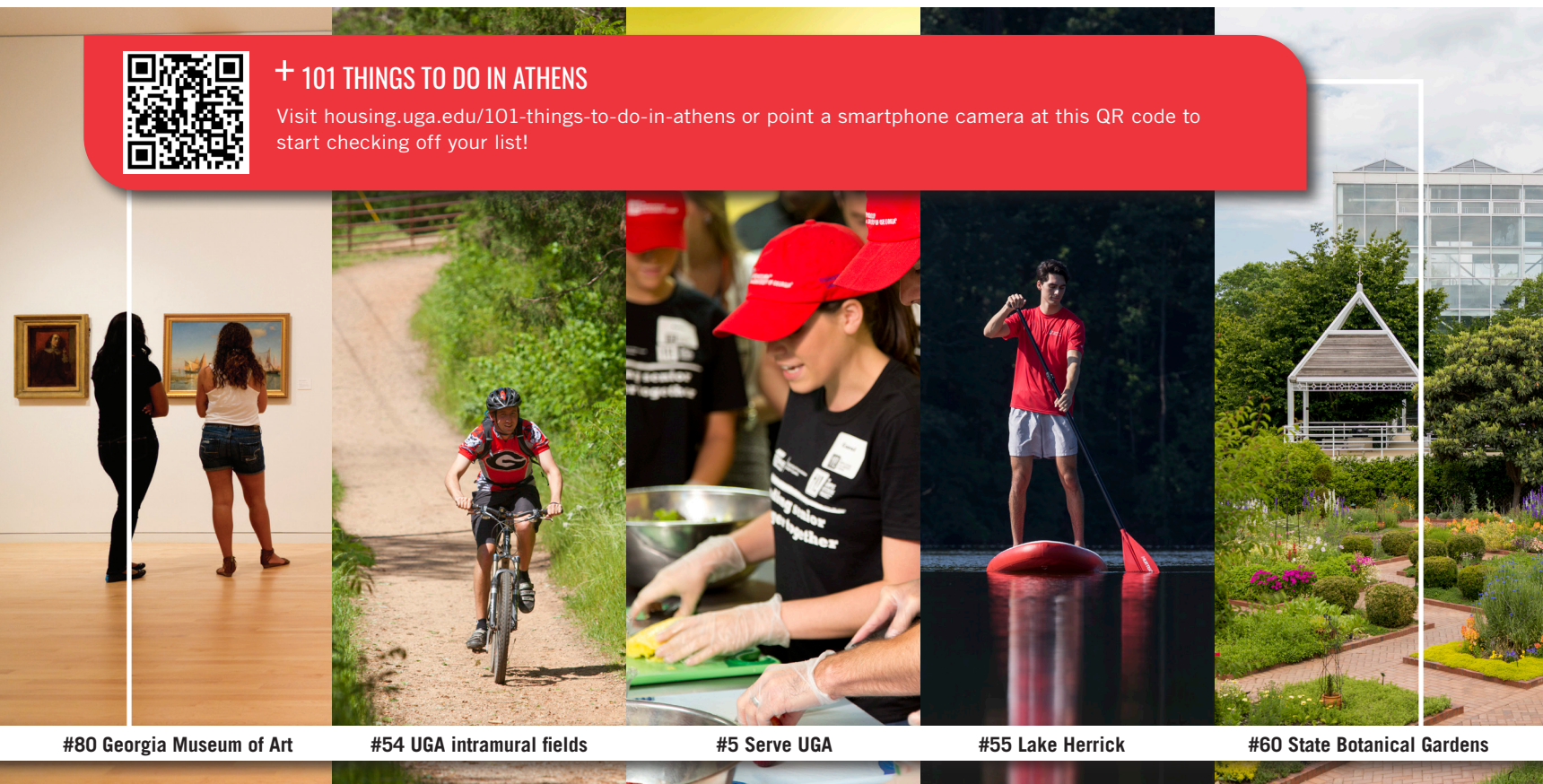


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## + 101 THINGS TO DO IN ATHENS

Visit [housing.uga.edu/101-things-to-do-in-athens](https://housing.uga.edu/101-things-to-do-in-athens) or point a smartphone camera at this QR code to start checking off your list!



#80 Georgia Museum of Art

#54 UGA intramural fields

#5 Serve UGA

#55 Lake Herrick

#60 State Botanical Gardens