

## STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

If you are planning to live away from home while you study, there are a number of options available to you when it comes to accommodation. If you know what College or University you want to study at, the best person to contact would be the Student Accommodation Officer at your chosen destination. Remember that not all students are eligible to stay at Student Halls as some individuals may be deemed as staying close enough to the University to be able to travel daily.

### APPLY TO STAY IN STUDENT HALLS

This is accommodation provided by the University or College. Often these are large blocks that can accommodate hundreds of students. Students will have a locked bedroom (sometimes shared) and will share facilities such as bathroom, kitchen area and also communal leisure areas. The **average** cost of rent per month for Student Halls of Residence is around £400\* in Scotland.

### RENT FROM A PRIVATE LANDLORD

This is the usual option for students who have stayed at the halls of residence for the initial year of their course and have developed good friendships with fellow students and wish to move on. Prices for private rented accommodation vary greatly depending on the size, location and condition of the property. As a guide though, a 4 bedroom flat in Glasgow would cost 4 students £480\* each per month.

### RENT A ROOM THROUGH HOME STAY

This is where a student moves into someone's home and rents a room from them. This option is more popular with international students who are new to this country. Accommodation usually comprises of their individual room and shared facilities such as bathroom, kitchen etc. Meals are also often provided for the lodger. The rent will be agreed before the student moves in and all bills will usually be included in this cost. There should be no hidden extras.

\*(costs were correct at time of going to press)

Please find a selection of Universities and Colleges, including telephone numbers, below.

### CONTACT NUMBERS FOR UNIVERSITIES

University of Aberdeen	01224 272090
University of Dundee	01382 344160
University of Edinburgh	0131 650 1000
Glasgow Caledonian	0141 331 3000
Glasgow School of Art	0141 353 4500
University of Glasgow	0141 330 2000
Heriot-watt University	0131 449 5111
Napier University	0500 353570
University of Paisley	0141 848 3000
University of Strathclyde	0141 5524400
University of Stirling	01786 467044

### CONTACT NUMBERS FOR COLLEGES

James Watt College	08005872277
Ayr College	0800199798
Kilmarnock College	01563538182
Reid Kerr	01415812222
Cumbernauld College	01236731811
Cardonald College	01412723333
Stow College	01413321786
Glasgow Metropolitan	01415666222

### USEFUL WEBSITES

[www.studentpad.co.uk](http://www.studentpad.co.uk)

This is the official accommodation website which gives you average costs of rooms depending on the area which you wish to stay in.

[www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)

This government website has an Education and Learning section that gives information on everything from Student finances, Where to stay, What course to choose, Life at college and university, as well as Student Accommodation.

[www.accommodationforstudents.com](http://www.accommodationforstudents.com)

This website allows you to view and search properties which are available close to your chosen university.

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