

HOUSING

Student Housing

- 541-888-7635
- Lighthouse Depot
- www.socc.edu/housing

Southwestern Oregon Community College is one of only a few community colleges in the State of Oregon to provide housing and meal plans for students. Our 18 buildings offer apartment-style accommodations and quality living/learning opportunities that are sure to be an integral part of your college experience.

All full-time students have the privilege to live in student housing. Students who are from out-of-district or from out-of-state are required to live in housing during their freshman year. Living in student housing is the best way to ensure academic success, to collaborate with other students, faculty and staff and to get the full "college experience."

Prospective residents must be 18 years of age before December 15 of the current academic year to live in housing. Visit the Housing Office (<https://www.socc.edu/housing>) for the Room and Board Agreement and the Housing Application or stop by our office in the Lighthouse Depot.

Students who are required to live in student housing may request a waiver for exception by emailing the Student Housing Office at housing@socc.edu. Pre-approved exemptions include having a dependent, being 21 years of age prior to the first day of class, being a veteran, or transferring with 45 or more quarter credits.

Student Housing Eligibility

1. All out-of-district/out-of-state first-time freshman students choosing to attend Southwestern must live in Student Housing during their freshman year unless:
 - a. You have a dependent or are married.
 - b. You are a veteran.
 - c. You are 21 years of age prior to the first day of class.
 - d. Student Housing is filled.
 - e. You have passed 45 credit hours of college courses. Credits taken during High School do not count toward this total.
 - f. You are approved to enroll in a specific 100% online degree program.
2. Students must be 18 years old before December 15 of the school year they are attending.
3. Students must be enrolled full-time to remain in Student Housing.
4. First-time freshman living in Student Housing will enroll in a designated College Success course.

Policy exceptions must be requested in writing to the Student Housing Office (<https://www.socc.edu/housing>) or via email to housing@socc.edu.

Application Process

The list below is provided to help you complete the application process. The deposit is refundable according to the "Room and Board Rates and Deadlines (<https://www.socc.edu/housing>)" policy. There is no deadline to apply, but room assignments are based on the date all materials are

received and subject to room availability. For this reason it is to your advantage to submit everything as early as possible.

1. Read the complete packet of housing information available at Student Housing Office (<https://www.socc.edu/housing>).
2. Complete the online application and pay the \$250 housing deposit at myLakerLink (<https://mylakerlink.socc.edu/ics>).
3. Submit copies of MMR Immunization records to Admissions or Student Housing.
4. Submit your Financial Aid paperwork by the deadline listed on the Financial Aid webpages (<https://www.socc.edu/financialaid>).
5. Receive an official Financial Aid award letter.
6. Make payment arrangements on any balance not covered by Financial Aid prior to arrival.
7. If you are applying for a student loan, please visit the Financial Aid webpage (<https://www.socc.edu/financialaid>) to complete the loan steps.

Room and Board Rates and Deadlines*

*For the most up-to-date room and board rate information check the Student Housing website (<https://www.socc.edu/housing>).

Move-In Day for Fall Term 2017 is Thursday, September 21.

No early check-ins will be allowed. Anyone who arrives early will be charged a \$100 per day fee.

Meal Plan Options

Code	Title	Credits
	19 Meals per Week	
	15 Meals per Week	
	Flex Plan*	

*The Flex Plan offers 88 meals for the term and \$125 in scrip money. Flex Plan participants may purchase additional scrip money in \$110 increments at the cash price of \$100. Unused scrip money only carries over from Fall to Winter and Winter to Spring terms as long as you continue on the Flex Plan. Unused meals do NOT carry from term to term. Upon completion of agreement, unused scrip meals or money will not be refunded.

There is no meal service during Thanksgiving or term breaks.

Schedule of Deposits and Charges

Code	Title	Credits
	\$250 Housing Deposit	
	\$30 Social Fee (per term)	

The housing deposit must be submitted with a signed Student Housing Application and Room and Board Agreement. Room assignments will only be made upon receipt of the above agreement and deposit. Deposit refunds typically require 15 days to process.

Refund Schedule

All room rate refunds are based upon the student being formally released from the agreement by the Housing Office. After the first official day of class, charges are determined on a weekly basis ending each Friday on the following schedule.¹

Move-outs during the second week: Prorated refund of room and board rate and loss of room reservation deposit.

Move-outs after second week: Charged 100% of the quarter room rate and loss of room reservation deposit.

¹ Federal Financial Aid students are subject to a different policy. Refer to the Financial Aid-Return of Title IV Funds Policy available online (<https://www.socc.edu/financialaid/policies>).

Room Reservation and Cancellation

For first-time students applying for housing, the housing deposit is refundable (less \$30 application fee) if cancelled in writing prior to the following dates: Fall term – second Friday in August; winter term – last Friday before Thanksgiving; spring term – last Friday in February. Any room reservation cancelled after these deadlines or during any term at any time (other than the scheduled cancellation period each term) will result in forfeiture of the \$250 housing deposit. This does not apply to students on the housing waiting list where no deposit is required.

Returning and Current Students

Students cancelling during the reservation period posted at the end of the fall and winter terms will forfeit \$125 of the housing deposit. The remaining deposit balance will be applied to their student accounts or refunded (a form is provided). At the end of the spring term, students' housing deposits will be applied to their student accounts or refunded unless they reserve for a future term. Students failing to indicate they are not returning to housing or Southwestern during any reservation period will forfeit the \$250 housing deposit. Students failing to indicate they are returning to housing during the reservation period could result in loss of their room.