February 1, 2022

Dear Newly Admitted UCI Graduate Student:

On behalf of UCI Student Housing, congratulations on your admission to graduate study at the University of California, Irvine. Admission to a J.D., Ph.D. or MFA program includes a guaranteed on-campus housing offer for Fall 2022 in one of seven on-campus apartment communities. Eligible students must be admitted early enough to complete all steps outlined below, and guaranteed housing offers cannot be deferred to a later time. The Housing Website, www.housing.uci.edu, provides additional details on the housing guarantee, housing options, and how to complete the application process. Basic instructions are also provided below.

The University of California is planning for in-person instruction systemwide for the 2022-23 academic year. Any updates to that plan will be shared as they become available.

**Guaranteed Housing Application Window: March 1 - May 1, 2022 (closes at 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time):**

To receive a guaranteed housing offer, complete the following steps by the dates indicated:

1. **Visit the Student Housing website** to learn about housing options, current rental rates, and the housing offer process. [https://housing.uci.edu/grad/](https://housing.uci.edu/grad/)

2. **Submit your SIR and Activate your UCINetID.**
   - You must submit your Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) and activate your UCINetID before you can access the housing application, and there will be a 24-48 hour interval from the time you submit your SIR and when you are able to access the housing application.

3. **Apply for Housing by 4:00 p.m. (Pacific Time) on May 1, 2022.**
   - a. Login to the housing application at: [https://my.housing.uci.edu/gateway/](https://my.housing.uci.edu/gateway/).
   - b. Rank communities and apartment types listed on the application in order of preference. Placement in a specific community or apartment type is not guaranteed.
   - c. Indicate your desired move-in month. Be sure to check with your academic advisor for program start dates before selecting your desired move-in month.
   - d. To complete your application, pay the $20 (U.S. Funds) non-refundable processing fee (by credit card, check, or money order) by **May 1, 2022 (4:00 p.m., Pacific Time).**

4. **Housing Offer:** Housing preferences recorded in your application will be used to make a “best fit” offer from the available spaces across the seven participating communities. Offers will be sent via email by July 31, 2022. Follow all instructions contained in your offer email and respond by the deadline indicated.

**IMPORTANT -- Please Note the Following:**

- The May 1st application deadline is strictly enforced. Housing offers are not guaranteed for applications received after May 1st.
- A majority of housing spaces are already occupied by continuing students who live in our communities. Housing offers to new students are based on the spaces that will be available for the 2022-23 academic year.
year. Please select a variety of floor plan options, and keep in mind that there are a limited number of available spaces in high demand units (e.g., studios, 1-Bedroom units, lower cost units).

- Research your housing options and costs before you complete your application. Rental rates vary by floorplan and community, and we recommend that you budget for the highest rates listed.
- Verano Place, Palo Verde and Campus Village offer unfurnished apartments only. All apartments in the American Campus Communities (ACC) (Vista del Campo, Vista del Campo Norte, Plaza Verde, and Puerta del Sol) are furnished.
- Housing agreements in Verano Place, Palo Verde, and Campus Village begin on the date the space is available for occupancy. **Housing cannot change agreement start dates to match specific arrival plans.** In some instances, students may need to begin their agreement before their arrival.
- ACC apartment leases have set start dates, and early move-in dates are generally not available.
- Once you accept your housing offer, you must remain in that space for one year before becoming eligible to request a transfer to a different community or space.
- Students who decline their guaranteed housing offer may elect to be placed on the waitlist for a specific community or apartment type. This is a very risky option, however, as the demand for certain housing communities and apartment types is very high. If Housing is unable to make you an offer (that you accept) from the waitlist before the first day of classes, you will lose your eligibility for the housing guarantee. Students who are offered housing from the waitlist after the first day of classes are not guaranteed renewal of their housing agreement beyond the current academic year.

If you have questions about this process, please email: gradguarantee@housing.hsg.uci.edu.

Sincerely,

Tim Trevan
Executive Director, Student Housing

**UCI Graduate Housing Guarantee**

The University of California, Irvine guarantees an offer of on-campus housing to every newly-admitted, full-time Ph.D., M.F.A., J.D., Prime-LC, LEAD-ABC, and MSTP M.D. students. Guaranteed housing offers will be made for enrollment in fall term only. Ph.D., Prime-LC, LEAD-ABC, and MSTP M.D. students who accept this housing offer will be guaranteed placement in on-campus housing through their program’s normative time to degree (NTTD). M.F.A. and J.D. students will be provided with housing for their academic programs’ normal times to degree, up to three years (NTTD).