University of Essex
Housing Information

The University of Essex guarantees accommodation in one of the halls of residence. Most rooms are singles. All accommodation at Essex is self-catered, meaning that no meal plan is offered. If you do not wish to cook, you may use the wide range of dining facilities at the University on a pay-as-you-eat basis. University regulations require that you contract to remain in your assigned housing for the full duration of your program.

**Housing Preference Form:**
Because the Essex accommodation office makes the housing assignments, you will not be asked to indicate a specific housing preference. **Complete the housing preference form and return it to our office immediately.**

**Halls of Residence (self-catered, no meal plans)**

**South Courts:**
This accommodation offers a flat style housing option primarily for post-graduate students. Full year undergraduate students may be housed in South Courts. Each student has a single bedroom with his/her own bathroom. There is Internet access available in each bedroom for students who wish to bring a laptop or personal computer. Please note that an additional charge of approximately £35 will be assessed by the University for use of this computer connection. Each flat is equipped with an internal telephone in the shared kitchen. To make external calls in the UK and overseas, you can sign up for an NTL account to receive your own PIN number. This will be an extra charge to you. If you wish to have your own telephone in your room, NTL can provide that for you.

All kitchens are equipped with stoves, refrigerators and cabinets for food storage. Saucepans and kettles will be available, but residents must provide their own crockery and cutlery. These may be purchased inexpensively in Colchester.

**The Houses:**
The Houses are located on the north side of campus in pleasant parkland. There are six houses each of which is a three-storey residence accommodating 42 or 46 students. The accommodation is arranged in self-contained flats of four, five or six students sharing a kitchen. Each room has its own en suite shower and toilet facilities. There are two rooms in each of four houses which are adapted for wheelchair users. There are also eight rooms with special alarm facilities for students with hearing difficulties. There is Internet access available in each bedroom for students who wish to bring a laptop or personal computer. Please note that an additional charge of approximately £35 will be assessed by the University for use of this computer connection.

Further information about the residences can be found on the following site:
http://www2.essex.ac.uk/accommodation/residences/facilities.shtm

**Linens and Laundry:**
Linens and towels are not provided; you must supply your own.

**Residence Hall Costs:**
Your program fee covers the cost of housing for the duration of your stay at the University of Essex. We will pay these fees on your behalf.

**Housing Between Terms:**
If you would like to remain in residence during part or all of a long break, the cost will be covered by Arcadia University. Only full year students are eligible for housing over the Christmas holiday. You will be responsible for making your own arrangements with the accommodations officer and for paying the appropriate fees. You may then submit your receipt to Arcadia’s London office for reimbursement. You may be asked to change rooms. If you do not wish to remain in residence over the term break, you may be asked to store your belongings. Storage areas will be available to you.
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Name:______________________________     Sex:______
Home College:______________________     Major:____________________
Date of Birth:______________________     Citizen of ____________________

Please check the program appropriate to you:
   _____ academic year          _____ fall term          _____ spring two terms

Please rank the following in order of preference:
   _____ University of Essex accommodation
   _____ I have made or will make my own housing arrangements.

Please circle any term that applies to you:
Extroverted/Introverted     Quiet/Noisy     Tidy/Untidy     Artistic
   Early Riser/Late-to-Bed     Religious     Vegetarian     Athletic

Do you smoke?    yes/no     Are you willing to share with students who smoke?    yes/no
Do you require accommodation in a single sex flat?    yes/no

What are your main interests and hobbies?

Do you have any allergies, medical conditions or dietary restrictions which may affect your housing assignment?  Please list:

I understand and accept the Arcadia University Housing Policy.

Signature:______________________________     Date:______________________