



The University of Vermont

DEPARTMENT OF RESIDENTIAL LIFE

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Dear Catamounts,

We hope your academic year is off to a great start and that you are enjoying the autumn weather!

As you may know, most undergraduate students are required to live on campus for four semesters, and certain transfer students are required to live on campus for two semesters. You can check your on-campus residency requirement through [UVM's housing portal](#). If you are receiving this email, our records indicate that you will have satisfied this requirement by the end of the spring 2023 term. This means you should start planning now for off-campus housing next year!

Please note that the university does not have the capacity at this time to house students without a residential requirement.

As the local rental market is extremely tight, it's important to get an early start on searching for housing and connecting with potential roommates. For several years now we've collaborated with UVM's Office of Student and Community Relations ([OSCR](#)) to help prepare students for the transition to off-campus life. Here's how to get started:

- Download OSCR's [Off-Campus Housing Resources List \(pdf\)](#)
- Visit UVM's [Off-Campus Housing website](#)
- Check out [Vermont Tenants](#), an off-campus resource from the Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity
- To avoid rental scams, check out [this article from the Federal Trade Commission](#) or [this story](#) from Burlington's WCAX team.

Questions about finding off-campus housing? Reach out to the Office of Student and Community Relations at oscr@uvm.edu or by calling 802-656-9405.

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Additional Resources:

- UVM has several affiliate housing programs through community partners, such as Redstone and the Champlain Housing Trust. Affiliate housing is reserved for undergraduate students who have satisfied their on-campus housing requirements and for graduate students. Visit [this webpage](#) for more information and available options.
- You may find apartments by searching sites like [Zillow.com](#), [Apartments.com](#), and [Trulia.com](#)
- If you are open and able to live outside of Burlington, the surrounding towns are Winooski, Essex, South Burlington, and Colchester. These locations may be more accessible and affordable. UVM also provides a free [county bus pass](#) to all students.
- Check out some Facebook groups where people post about housing, roommates, and sublets—[Black Market U](#) and [BTV Housing Connections](#). Note: these are **not** university-sponsored resources.