LIVING ON CAMPUS
COLLEGE ROW
Without a doubt, you’ll always remember your college days as some of your best times ever!
UWA has five residential colleges

- St Catherine’s College
- St George’s College
- St Thomas More College
- Trinity
- University Hall

They are connected communities with a shared ethos of support, friendship and the uniqueness of a collegial lifestyle. By living on campus you have the convenience of living opposite UWA while being welcomed into a supportive community with a vibrant social and academic culture.

## Why live here

### Develop your leadership potential

Building on the University’s tradition of excellence, which has resulted in producing leaders across academia, business and the community, the residential colleges offer many opportunities to develop your leadership and mentoring skills. This includes providing leadership programs, professional development workshops and the chance to participate in projects that will prepare you for employment.

### Extend your academic learning

At the heart of college living is the opportunity for you to live and learn with your peers via weekly tutorials, group study sessions, peer-to-peer mentoring and one-on-one tuition. Each college also hosts an array of academic programs for you to attend including guest speakers, robust debates and networking with influential alumni.

### Be supported

An important aspect of living on campus is the pastoral care offered to you by staff, senior students and peers to support your emotional health and wellbeing. As small, close-knit communities with highly competent and understanding staff, and many residents who have ‘been there before’, you will always be able to find friendly and experienced advice.

### Community connections

Each college has a range of programs that will help you to connect to the wider community, including the opportunity to participate in volunteering and fundraising activities.

### Get involved in intercollegiate fun

College Row has a thriving intercollegiate spirit and this connection between the colleges adds to the lively ‘living on campus’ experience. As a member of College Row you will have the opportunity to join in a variety of events, ranging from intercollege sporting competitions and O-week activities to formal dinners and balls.
The fun extends beyond your college! The spirit of each college is at its best whether competing in sports, debating, *Battle of the Bands*, *Lip Dub* or *Fresher Dance-Off* (pictured here).
It’s great to live on campus – I’ve met lots of good and interesting friends around the college. We enjoy spending time together, going on road trips, arranging barbecue parties and visiting some good restaurants in Perth. Living on campus has helped me experience lots of different things in my life.

Thomas
Guangzhou, China

Living at college has helped enormously with all the stress of renting and commuting gone, I can focus solely on my studies. My college puts so much time and energy into providing the best tutoring and mentoring programs, and without them I would never have gotten the grades I achieved last year.

Lauren
Albany, Western Australia

Not only have I made some amazing friends but I’ve changed as a person. College has helped me become a more confident and happy person through their incredibly supportive and inclusive atmosphere – you’re encouraged to try everything without any judgement.

Charlotte
United Kingdom
Living on campus is much more than just accommodation – it’s an all-inclusive lifestyle that includes meals, access to a gym, games room, music rooms, computer and study areas, great outdoor spaces and wi-fi.

### Meals
Not having to worry about cooking is possibly one of the best things about living on campus. Some colleges are fully catered and offer 21 meals a week and others offer you a choice of meal plan options. Whichever you choose, they all offer an amazing selection of food that caters for all dietary requirements, including vegetarian, vegan and halal meals.

### Games room
Each college has a great games room area where residents can get together to play a game of pool or foosball, watch Foxtel or play computer games.

### Keep fit
Along College Row you can keep fit by accessing your college’s onsite gym or your UWA Sport gym membership; join an intercollege sport team or make the most of the Swan River across the road and walk, cycle or run!

### Wi-fi
Wi-fi is available at all colleges to ensure you have internet access 24/7. Some colleges offer this within their fees and others require you to pay a nominal upfront fee.
Music spaces

Whether you’re wanting to practise, indulge your senses or jam with your friends, dedicated music rooms are available. Bring your own instruments or make use of the piano and other instruments the colleges provide for residents to use.

Great outdoor areas

The colleges offer great landscaped gardens and grassed areas to chill-out or play sport. Some have tennis courts, half-court basketball, veggie gardens and barbecue areas so there’s plenty of choice once you leave your room.

No more bills

Utilities such as electricity, water and gas are all included in your rent so you don’t need to worry about these extra living costs.

Room cleaning

One of the many great things about living on campus is having your room cleaned! Each college has a slightly different cleaning roster and it also depends on the type of room you’re allocated. Most standard rooms across College Row offer a weekly or fortnightly room clean.

Computer rooms and study areas

Across College Row you’ll find excellent spaces to study – whether you’re looking for a quiet area, a space to study with friends or a computer room – each college has lots of places to make studying easier. Of course with UWA located across the road, you also have easy access to the libraries and other study areas the University offers.

Onsite laundry facilities

All colleges have washing machines and dryers. Some colleges offer the use of these facilities within your fees while others have coin-operated machines.

Maintenance and repairs

Living at one of the five residential colleges means you never have to worry about maintenance or repairs to your accommodation. All the colleges have this covered which means less stress for you.

Safety and security

Your safety is important so all the colleges have secure, key card access to all rooms and areas plus onsite, 24/7 support.
Hi, I’m Sugandha, a third-year commerce student originally from Singapore. I’ve been living on campus since I started at UWA, and I’ve met so many people from such diverse backgrounds; I’ve even picked up three more languages!

There’s so much to get involved in while you’re living on campus. I’ve been an RA (Residential Advisor), which is a ‘job’ that takes on some responsibilities in supporting the college residents. I’ve also been on the committee of my college’s ResClub, which is the group that puts together lots of the fun social activities for residents such as our Formal Ball, Fresher Dance-off and sports.

My tip to you is, if you live on College Row, get out of your room and go to all the events that the ResClubs and Residential Advisors plan for you. Meet new people and live through their diverse experiences. You will be surprised – you could be going on a holiday with a friend you met at college in the future!

Lastly, everyone will graduate from University with a certificate but you will get more than a degree by being involved! Try something new, talk to a stranger, go to a party, visit places in Perth where you’ve never been before. But perhaps most importantly, get involved in college life because there’s so much on offer!

Being an international student, my college community has become my home away from home – they’re my second family. We study together and have fun together while living right on UWA’s doorstep.
Develop friendships and networks that span the globe and last a lifetime.

"From the first night I arrived I was blown away at how welcoming everyone at college was, and how quickly I felt integrated into this really special, tight-knit community. I’ve been able to make so many friends (local and international) and really soak up every moment of my experience of living in Australia."

Rachel
United States of America

"Choosing to live on campus was one of the best decisions I have ever made. The facilities, environment and the resources here are absolutely outstanding. Also, everyone I have encountered here has gone to great lengths to help me in every aspect of my personal and academic endeavours."

Shalini
Sri Lanka

"Living on campus has been an amazing experience and the best decision I ever made when I started my course at UWA. I was exposed to different opportunities for personal and professional development; I was able to use the facilities on campus; but most importantly, living on campus allowed me to build amazing long-lasting relationships."

Stelio
Mozambique

"Living on campus has provided me with unforgettable experiences and lifelong friends. As well as the convenience of being able to wake up five minutes before my lectures, I’ve had opportunities to develop myself through the various academic, leadership and social programs that I wouldn’t otherwise have access to."

Seán
Malaysia
By living on campus, you will be residing with students from more than 55 countries around the world. Building global networks is a huge benefit to your personal growth and future career prospects.

“Living on campus at UWA has been one of the best choices I’ve made in my life. It’s allowed me to have a stress-free time at uni whilst also meeting incredible people who I would never had met if I didn’t take up this amazing opportunity.”

Leyton
Perth, Western Australia

“Living on campus has been just gaining some independence. I lived at home before I came here and it’s so different, as you need to take more responsibility for yourself. I am so glad I chose to live on campus, because it is hectic at home. I miss my family, but I wouldn’t be able to study with the distractions.”

Tyra
Perth, Western Australia

“I already knew that college would feel like a second home, and now I don’t want to leave! The welcoming feel helped me to settle in (especially during O-week) and college has given me friends for life.”

Robyn
United Kingdom

“Between intercollege sport, balls, formal dinners, various other events and personal study there is never a dull moment. I have made good mates and amazing connections.”

Blake
Geraldton, Western Australia

“Living on campus at UWA is a truly unique experience. College Row’s diversity and inclusiveness caters for all types of students in all aspects of your study, regardless of whether your home address is just down the road or on the other side of the world.”

Maddie
Bunbury, Western Australia
How to select the right college for you

All five residential colleges provide excellent accommodation, along with supportive academic and social programs to ensure you get the most out of your UWA studies.

Each college has its own feel and personality, so it is important you research them all to find the right one for you. The best place to start is by exploring the colleges’ websites.

Room types

When you live on campus you are provided with a safe and secure, fully-furnished room that includes your own bed, study area and storage space.

The types of rooms at each college vary and are allocated based on factors such as availability, and whether you are an undergraduate or postgraduate student.

Standard rooms are ideal for students in their first year at uni, including international study abroad/exchange students. With shared bathroom and kitchen facilities, you will quickly meet new people and make friends in a fun, supportive environment.

Returning residents and postgraduate students are generally allocated larger rooms, which may include private ensuite bathrooms and kitchenettes, allowing for more independent living.

Refer to each college’s website and – where possible – visit them in person to ensure you apply to the college that suits you best.

Fees

Full details of each college’s fees and inclusions are available on their websites.

In 2018, weekly rates ranged from $365 to $499 per week*, depending on the college, room type, length of stay and additional inclusions.

Weekly rates for standard single rooms typically include the following:
• 14 to 21 meals per week
• Utilities (such as internet and electricity)
• Room cleaning
• Full use of college facilities
• Access to a wide variety of academic, social and cultural programs and events

*Refer to individual college websites for full fee schedules
You can book a tour at any of UWA’s residential colleges by directly contacting the college you’d like to visit. You are welcome to bring your family and friends and can also book a group tour.

Scholarships
Both the University and residential colleges offer financial assistance to students living on campus through a wide range of scholarships and bursaries.

The criteria for awarding scholarships varies and can include your:
• academic achievement
• involvement in community activities
• leadership qualities
• arts or musical accomplishments
• need to relocate from a regional or remote area
• financial need

Visit each college’s website and [scholarships.uwa.edu.au](http://scholarships.uwa.edu.au) for more information.
How to apply

Applying to live on campus is easy – only one application is required for all five residential colleges.

You can apply for accommodation up to 12 months in advance of beginning your studies. It’s also advisable to apply prior to receiving your UWA offer, to ensure you secure accommodation at your preferred college.

1 Research
- Explore the college websites or book a tour to find the one that suits you best.

2 Apply
- Complete all required steps and submit your application online at livingoncampus.uwa.edu.au.

3 Offer
- Wait to hear from your first preference college. You will be contacted directly within two weeks of submitting your application.

If you have any queries regarding your application or the colleges, contact the Residential Colleges Central Admissions Office.

Tel: +61 8 9488 0920 Email: residentialcolleges@uwa.edu.au
Apply: livingoncampus.uwa.edu.au