This guide will give you information and advice about the housing and other support services available at the University of Sussex, and help you decide which type of accommodation would suit you best if you decide to study here.

When you apply for housing, you will be able to indicate if you would like to live in a same gender flat, quiet area, mature area, on or off-campus and with or without your own en-suite and we will do our best to consider your request, but cannot guarantee in view of demand. When you arrive, there will be lots of activities on offer to help you meet others and to settle into living with us. When you receive your housing allocation, you will be sent a link to your residence Facebook group, which is a great way to meet your neighbours before you arrive.

We hope this booklet gives you the information you need about living at Sussex. For more information on housing, as well as views of the residences, take a look at our website at: www.sussex.ac.uk/accommodation or contact the Housing Services team.

Introduction

We welcome over 5,000 students into University housing and help many others with accommodation in the private rented sector.
ALLOCATION POLICY

The University guarantees housing to the following students:

• new full-time undergraduates who firmly accept an academic offer through UCAS, and who submit a completed housing application to the University by 1 August;

• visiting and exchange students coming to Sussex for a full academic year who submit a completed housing application to the University by 1 August;

• new full-time postgraduates on research degrees (ie PhD/MPhil) who firmly accept an academic offer, and who submit a completed housing application and £250 pre-payment to the University by 1 August;

• new full-time non-EU postgraduates on taught courses (ie MA/MSc/LLM) who firmly accept an academic offer, and who submit a completed housing application and £250 pre-payment to the University by 1 August.

Subject to the following exceptions:

• students who begin their course after the start of the autumn term;

• students only studying at Sussex for part of the academic year;

• students bringing dependants (please see the section on family flats below, right).

HOW TO APPLY

Undergraduates: housing application information is sent out by the Undergraduate Admissions office from February/March to all students holding academic offers. All eligible students will be given details of how to apply for housing online, subject to the deadlines and conditions noted below.

Postgraduates: housing applications for September entry can be made by those eligible (see below) from March onwards. If you apply for your course on-line (recommended), you will be able to apply for your housing online as well. Other applicants will be sent a paper application form which must then be returned to the Housing Services team by 1 August. All applicants (apart from those being sponsored by certain institutional sponsors) will be asked to provide a £250 pre-payment as part of the application process.

INSURANCE AND CLEARING APPLICANTS

The University makes every effort to house candidates who are placed at Sussex after holding an insurance offer or who come through clearing. However, no guarantee can be given that this will be in University-managed accommodation. If we are unable to place you, we will help you find housing in the private sector. You will automatically be placed on the housing waiting list and given priority for University housing as soon as a room becomes available.

CARE LEAVERS

All students coming directly to Sussex from local authority care, and who apply for housing ahead of the closing date of 1 August and who receive an unconditional offer, are entitled to on-campus accommodation during their time at Sussex. It may be necessary, however, for students to move rooms during the summer vacation and apply for accommodation annually.

ACCESSIBLE HOUSING

The University will make every effort to meet the housing requirements of applications requesting an adjustment. Please ensure that you indicate on your housing application that you have additional requirements so that we can contact you to discuss the range of facilities available at Sussex, including fully accessible flats, en suite accommodation and facilities for students requiring personal care. We can also arrange an individual visit for you to see available accommodation. We know that it is particularly important to get your housing requirements right for you to fully enjoy your time at Sussex.

In some circumstances, students with additional support requirements can apply to stay on in University accommodation for their continuing years at Sussex, subject to demand and application criteria.

FAMILY FLATS

There are approximately 60 family flats in University-owned properties, the majority of which are located on campus. Most of the flats are small with one bedroom and, therefore, are only suitable for letting to a maximum of two adults and one child. Please do not bring your family with you until you have a firm offer of accommodation and are full time registered or have made alternative arrangements.

Interested applicants should contact the Housing Services team directly for further information and an application form. Places are limited and are usually in high demand and therefore cannot be guaranteed.
Living at University

This section outlines general information about living in University-managed accommodation at Sussex.

Niruthika’s perspective

“I joined the Campus & Residential Support team so I could help new students to settle into university life. As a Residential Advisor I’m a first point of contact for residents living in Uni accommodation. Sometimes it’s easier for a resident to first come and talk to a fellow student instead of a member of staff; I know what they’re going through because I’m doing my degree, living in halls and part of the Sussex community too!

“The role is very valuable as you are helping students with all manner of issues, from feeling homesick to learning to live communally for the first time. Campus & Residential Support also puts on lots of social events throughout the year for residents and students studying at Sussex with young children. These are mainly run by the RAs so I put on events that I think are fun and it gives me project management practise too!

“This role has had a huge, positive impact on my personal growth, as it’s given me an opportunity to show my interpersonal skills, gain work experience and develop management skills. I’ve met and worked with people from many backgrounds and cultures which has been rewarding and enriching. The skills and experience I have gained will be beneficial in the long run and I’ve made some incredible friends along the way."

Niruthika Kandharuban
Senior Residential Advisor

CODE OF PRACTICE

The University is signed up to the UUK Code of Practice. The Code aims to help those managing student accommodation to identify the key elements of good management practice and encourage the raising of standards in student accommodation. The code was developed specifically for educational establishments. The University of Sussex is committed to improving accommodation standards throughout its portfolio.

There are eight different areas of accommodation on or near to campus and a wide variety of residences off campus. In total, we are able to house over 5,000 students, the vast majority of whom are new and guaranteed first-year undergraduates and postgraduates. Each of the residences is managed by a building manager who, assisted by a team of porters and other housekeeping staff, is responsible for looking after the area.

All of the residences, except for studio flats, share kitchen/communal areas and the majority share bath/shower/toilet facilities. Most of the residences are mixed sex (however, there are a few single sex flats available) and all the residences are self-catering. There are plenty of catering outlets on campus if you prefer to have your food cooked for you. There are also a small number of shared bedrooms.

Kitchens are supplied with cookers, fridge-freezers and kettles, and most have microwaves. You will need to bring your own cutlery, crockery and cooking utensils. There are laundry facilities on campus and in all of the off-campus properties. All residences are heated and bedrooms are furnished with a bed, desk and chair, bookshelf and wardrobe. Most rooms, apart from those in the Eastslope residence, also have their own wash basin. Students usually prefer to bring their own bed linen; however, a set of quality new bedding (including duvet, duvet cover, bottom sheet, pillow case and pillow) can be purchased upon arrival. We also supply self-catering packs.

Communal areas are cleaned on a regular basis but this does not include washing up. You are responsible for keeping your own room clean and, if in an en-suite room, you must also keep your own bathroom clean.
NON SMOKING
All residences are non-smoking and this is strictly enforced.

CARS, PARKING AND TRAVEL INFORMATION
Students living on campus will not be able to park a car on campus (except for residential advisors, students who have a disability or students with families, subject to consideration on a case-by-case basis and for a fee). There are around 600 bicycle racks on campus, and cycle lanes into Brighton and Lewes as well as good public transport links, so you may consider it better not to bring a car with you to Sussex – particularly as parking in the city can also be difficult and expensive in central areas.

There is a railway station at Falmer and frequent buses from the city centre onto campus. On production of an NUS card, you will be able to buy a Unizone ticket that allows unrestricted train travel in the Brighton area. You will also be able to get a weekly, three-monthly or annual bus pass. A 24-hour bus service operates from the city centre out to the Falmer campus throughout the year.

For more information about travel to and around Sussex, look at our website: www.sussex.ac.uk/wef/services/transport

INTERNET AND TELEPHONE ACCESS
All on-campus rooms have a telephone that you can connect to. All on-campus residences have broadband and wireless internet connections to the University’s computer network. Off campus, King’s Road has a direct network connection from each study bedroom and the smaller properties have wireless internet connections.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND MATURE STUDENTS
Students of all nationalities are normally integrated within each residence. Sussex is a global University and students from over 150 countries will be living with US. You are likely to meet people from all over the world and from a variety of backgrounds – it’s one of the experiences that will hopefully help to make your time in our residences enjoyable. Mature students (over 21) have the option of living in designated mature flats in each residential area.

NOISE
With a large number of young people, many of them living away from home for the first time, University accommodation can be noisy at times. We try to prevent problems in the first place by housing postgraduates together and designating a certain number of rooms in undergraduate residences as ‘quiet’ accommodation or as accommodation for mature students. We also deal firmly with any students who persist in annoying others with an unreasonable amount of noise. If you think that quieter accommodation would suit you better, please let us know on your housing application and we will try to place you in a quiet area.

RENT AND TENANCIES
Rents vary according to room size and facilities offered. Average rents can be found under the details of each residence on pages 4-7. Rent is always due in advance and can be paid in one lump sum or in three installments for undergraduates and four installments for postgraduates. You will be able to set up your rent payments online through Sussex Direct from September.

The Housing Services team will send out housing allocation letters and related information to visiting and exchange students and undergraduate students already holding unconditional firm offers in late July/early August. Students waiting for their A level results will be sent their residence information in late August. Postgraduate students will be sent residence information as soon as possible after the 1 August deadline. Tenancy agreements are usually for 39 weeks in undergraduate accommodation and 50 weeks in postgraduate accommodation (or full year tenancies for family flats).

RESIDENTIAL ADVISORS
Residential advisors (RAs) are predominantly second- and third-year students who live within the residences and have responsibility for a group of first-year students. Their function is to provide basic information, help along communal living and be a port of call for new students experiencing problems. They may not be able to solve every problem but they have been trained, know how the system works and are able to refer you to the network of student support services on campus. They are likely to be the first students you get to know after arriving and will help you to settle in to your new home.

ROOM SWAPS
The Housing Services team tries to put students into the type of accommodation they request but we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so for everyone. Some types of accommodation are over-subscribed (particularly en-suite rooms) and this means that there will always be a number of students who are in accommodation they have not requested. We are unable to make any swaps before arrivals weekend. We open a swap list one week after arrivals weekend in September. This enables students to get in touch with other students who may want to swap. There is an administrative fee for arranging this.

SECURITY
The University has its own Security Office based on the ground floor of York House. Security officers patrol the campus day and night. All security staff are qualified first aiders and can respond quickly to emergencies. A part of their service is to provide escort facilities after dark if requested. Although they do not patrol the off-campus residences they will give support and advice if off-campus staff are not available.

There is a 24-hour service centre based in York House, which can provide help and advice for students in the residences. If parents need to contact a student urgently and are unable to get in touch directly, our 24-hour reception will get a message through to the student.

MOVING ON
The majority of students will need to move out of University accommodation at the end of their first year and enter the private rented sector for their continuing years at Sussex. The Housing Services team will give you the information to help you do this, so don’t worry, you won’t be on your own. However, if you decide to move out of University accommodation during your first year, you will be charged a termination fee and may have to continue to pay rent until the room is re-let.

Yousra’s perspective
"I really enjoy being an RA for Northfield, supporting residents and other RA’s. We welcome students onto campus and help them move in, then we organise kitchen meetings to offer them advice on communal living and inform them of all the support services available. We organise a big welcome event for each hall of residence and events throughout the year to build a sense of community amongst the residents. As a Senior Residential Advisor I plan regular meetings and events, manage a budget and liaise between residential support management and RAs."

Yousra Abdelmoneim
Residential Advisor
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Living on campus

You will benefit from living within a 10-minute walk of your lecture theatres, as well as living on the edge of the South Downs National Park and within a few minutes via public transport from the lively city of Brighton & Hove. Guideline rents quoted are for the 2016/17 academic year. Included in your rent are gas, electricity, water, internet access and personal contents insurance.

The campus is well served by restaurants, a bank, shops and bars plus sports and recreational facilities and is a lively place during term time. Each residence offers a different type of accommodation, ranging from smaller budget housing up to top-of-the-range en-suite bedrooms in the newer flats. All on-campus rooms have broadband and wireless internet access.

At Sussex we are committed to giving you a choice of housing options. Whether you want to be in the heart of campus or in the city-centre in Brighton & Hove. From the budget conscious to the high-end our residences will hopefully become your home away from home.

BRIGHTHELM
Tenancy type: 39 and 50 weeks
2016 guideline single room rent: £131.29 per week
Service charges: included in the rent
Number of bed spaces: 300
Allocated to: undergraduates and postgraduates
Address: Brighthelm, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9SA

The Brighthelm residences consist of 60 five-bedroom houses. All houses have well-equipped kitchen/diners. Each bedroom has its own washbasin and there are two bathrooms in each house.

EAST SLOPE
Tenancy type: 39 and 50 weeks
2016 guideline single room rent: £86.82 per week
2016 guideline shared room rent: £65.50-£75.50 per week
2016 guideline studio rent: £140 per week
Service charges: included in the rent
Number of bed spaces: 587
Address: East Slope, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9RP

East Slope comprises 100 terraced single-storey flats, which are designed primarily for groups of six to twelve students. All flats have kitchen/dining rooms, shower and toilet facilities. There is also a families’ room and a lively student bar offering live music on some nights.

LEWES COURT (PHASE 1 AND PHASE 2)
Tenancy type: 39 weeks
2016 guideline standard single rent: £126.22 per week
2016 guideline en-suite rent: £144.92 per week
2016 guideline studio rent: £115 per week
Service charges: included in the rent
Number of bed spaces: 255 standard rooms, 249 en-suite rooms
Additional information: five family flats £203-£210 per week
Allocated to: undergraduates
Address: Lewes Court, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9RU

located between Park Village and Brighthelm, Lewes Court consists of five- and six-person flats with a few studio and family flats. There are also several rooms specially designed for students with disabilities. Each flat has its own kitchen/dining room/lounge area. The majority of rooms in Phase 1 are in flats with shared bathrooms but each bedroom has its own washbasin. All Phase 2 rooms are en-suite.

PARK VILLAGE
Tenancy type: 39 and 50 weeks
2016 guideline standard single room rent: £96.60 per week
2016 flatlet (apartment with two single rooms, sharing kitchen and bathroom): £115 per week (single room)
Service charges: included in the rent
Number of bed spaces: 550
Allocated to: undergraduates and postgraduates
Additional information: 36 family flats £145-£199 per week
Address: Park Village, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9RD

The Park Village residences consist of adjoining three-storey houses, which are laid out to form a pedestrian precinct. Each house consists of 12 single study bedrooms, two kitchens and bath, shower and toilet facilities. The bedrooms all have their own washbasins. In total, Park Village consists of 468 single rooms, 24 small two-bed flats and 36 family flats. There is also a communal TV room and Wi-Fi access area in the social centre.

Left: Brighthelm
Above: East Slope
THE PARK HOUSES

Tenancy type: 39 weeks
2016 guideline standard single room rent: £113.60 per week
Service charges: included in the rent
Number of bed spaces: 477 (8 en-suite)
Allocated to: undergraduates
Addresses: Lancaster House, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9QP
Norwich House, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9QS
Kent House, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9RL
Kulukundis House, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9QR
York House, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9QR

The Park Houses consist mainly of single study bedrooms, each with a washbasin. The kitchens are shared between approximately 12 students and bathroom/toilet facilities are shared between six students. Each house also has its own TV room and social area. There are a few en-suite rooms available, but these are normally reserved for students with health problems.

Attached to Kent House is Kulukundis House, a fully accessible four-bed flat, which has a shared adapted bathroom, large common room with kitchen and a separate carer’s flat.

STANMER COURT

Tenancy type: 39 and 50 weeks
2016 guideline en-suite rent: £142.47 per week
2016 guideline studio rent: £152-158 per week
Service charges: included in the rent
Number of bed spaces: 479 (15 studios)
Allocated to: undergraduates and postgraduates
Address: Stanmer Court, Lewes Road, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9PU

Located opposite the entrance of the campus by Falmer Train Station on the main A27 busy road, this development consists of a number of self-contained flats housing between four and six students. Each flat has its own kitchen/dining room/lounge area and all rooms have en-suite bathrooms. In addition, there are a number of single-person and shared studio flats and accommodation for students with a physical disability.

SWANBOROUGH

Tenancy type: 39 weeks
2016 guideline en-suite rent: £150.01 per week
Service charges: included in the rent
Number of bed spaces: 250 en-suite rooms
Allocated to: undergraduates
Address: Swanborough, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9NZ

Situated in a central position on the campus opposite Bramber House, this development consists of a number of self-contained flats, housing between four and seven students. Four rooms have been designed specially for students with a physical disability. Each flat has its own kitchen/dining room/lounge area and all rooms have en-suite bathrooms.

NORTHFIELD

Tenancy type: 39 and 50 weeks
2016 guideline en-suite rent: £148.88 per week
2016 guideline studio rent: £158 per week
Service charges: included in the rent
Number of bed spaces: 1,105 ensuite rooms
Allocated to: undergraduates and postgraduates
Additional information: 12 family flats £201 per week
Address: Northfield, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton BN1 9BJ

Located behind Lewes Court, Northfield is a development of six- to eight-person flats. All rooms are ensuite and there are also several rooms designed for students with disabilities. Each flat has its own kitchen/dining/lounge area. There is a laundrette, TV room and large common room.
Housing available off campus

The University has a diverse range of properties situated in central areas of the vibrant seaside city of Brighton & Hove. Guideline rents quoted are for the 2015/16 academic year and include gas, electricity, water, internet access and personal contents insurance.

Transport links to campus are good, with properties being situated either near to the 25 bus route, which serves campus, or close to one of the city’s train stations.

Many students prefer to live off campus so they can take advantage of the lively social and cultural activities available while still having easy access back to their residence at the end of the night.

**UNIVERSITY OWNED OFF CAMPUS**

**8 AND 10 WINDLESHAM ROAD, BRIGHTON**
Tenancy type: 39 or 50 weeks
2015 guideline single room rent: £81-£126 per week
Service charges: included in rent
Number of bed spaces: 21
Allocated to: postgraduates and undergraduates
Address: 8/10 Windlesham Road, Hove BN1 3AG
These two detached properties are situated in a residential area within the city, close to shops and other facilities and within easy walking distance of public transport to the University. The properties house 21 students in single rooms, most of which have washbasins. Each property is provided with kitchen/diner and laundry facilities.

**10 AND 12 YORK AVENUE, HOVE**
Tenancy type: 39 or 50 weeks
2016 guideline single room rent: £83-£126 per week
Service charges: included in rent
Number of bed spaces: 17
Allocated to: postgraduates and undergraduates
Address: 10/12 York Avenue, Hove BN3 1PH
This property consists of two adjoining houses situated in a residential area within easy walking distance of the local shops, other city centre facilities, and public transport to the University. The property houses 17 students in single rooms. Most rooms have washbasins and there is a communal lounge and laundry facility on site.

**12 AND 49 FLORENCE ROAD, BRIGHTON**
Tenancy type: 39 or 50 weeks
2016 guideline single room rents: £81-£126 per week
2016 guideline shared room rent: £79 per person
Service charges: included in rent
Number of bed spaces: 20
Allocated to: postgraduates and undergraduates
Address: 12/49 Florence Road, Brighton BN1 6DJ
The University owns three properties in this tree-lined residential road in the city. The properties are situated minutes away from London Road station. Most rooms have washbasins, and there are laundry facilities on site. In total, approximately 20 students are accommodated in single and shared rooms.

**13 VICTORIA ROAD, BRIGHTON**
Tenancy type: 39 or 50 weeks
2016 guideline single room rent: £115-£126 per week
Service charges: included in rent
Number of bed spaces: 11
Allocated to: postgraduates and undergraduates
Address: 13 Victoria Road, Brighton BN1 3FS
Located in the city centre, this historic building has connections with the suffragettes’ movement and borders the Seven Dials and Western Road shopping area. All rooms have washbasins and there are laundry facilities on site.

**18 CLIFTON ROAD, BRIGHTON**
Tenancy type: 39 or 50 weeks
2016 guideline single room rent: £115-£126 per week
2016 guideline shared flat rent: £87 per person
Service charges: included in rent
Number of bed spaces: 8
Allocated to: postgraduates
Address: 18 Clifton Road, Brighton BN1 3HN
This property is situated in the very popular Seven Dials area of the city. It is within easy access of Brighton station, the seafront and other city centre facilities. In total, eight students are housed in four two-bedroom self-contained flats. Laundry facilities are provided within the property.
OTHER OFF CAMPUS RESIDENCES

ABACUS HOUSE, BRIGHTON
Tenancy type: 50 weeks
2016 guideline en-suite rent: £151 per week (TBC)
Service charges: included in rent
Number of bed-spaces: 300
Allocated to: postgraduates
Address: 6-11 Baker Street, Brighton, BN1 4JV

The University works with Prodigy Living to provide accommodation at Abacus House. Located in the busy and vibrant London Road area, Abacus House is close to a range of shops, bars, restaurants and other local amenities and offers excellent links to both campus and the city centre.

Once you are offered a place at Abacus House, Prodigy Living issue a University approved tenancy agreement and take care of deposits and rent payments during your stay. Prodigy Living is one of the UK’s largest owners of student accommodation, and operates Abacus House in accordance with the ANUK Code of Standards. All rooms are finished to a high standard with ¾ beds, deluxe en-suite shower rooms, and well-thought-out study space. Studios have contemporary fitted kitchens in-room, while apartments come with spacious, modern lounge-diners. The team run regular resident events and have an on-site staff presence 24/7. Your room also includes all utility bills, contents insurance and up to 100Mb Wi-Fi at no extra charge.

KING’S ROAD, BRIGHTON
Tenancy type: 39 or 50 weeks
2016 guideline single room rent: £124.13 per week
Service charges: included in rent
Number of bed spaces: 124
Allocated to: postgraduates and mature undergraduates
Address: 51-53 King’s Road, Brighton BN1 1NA

This residence is situated on Brighton seafront, with many rooms offering wonderful sea views. The residence’s self-contained flats house three to six students, with each flat having its own kitchen/diner, bath, shower and toilet facilities. Each bedroom has its own washbasin. King’s Road is a busy main road and close to shops and all-night bars.

HEAD-LEASING SCHEME

As well as the larger residences mentioned above, there are a number of small houses managed by the University. These are reserved for new undergraduates or postgraduates.

Wireless internet access is provided in these properties. The type of utility bills included in our Headlease residences will be detailed to you in advance of your arrival.

2015 guideline single room rent £115-£126.
# Residences - At a Glance Guide

| Residence                  | Location            | Number of students* | Postgrad/Undergrad | Contract length                    | Room types                     | WCs, baths/showers | Inclusive*** | Network access |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Abacus House               | Brighton            | 300                 | PG                 | 50 weeks                          | Single                        | En-suite            | ✓             | ✓              |
| Brighthelm                 | On campus           | 300                 | UG/PG              | 39/50 weeks                       | Single                        | Shared 1:2.5        | ✓             | ✓              |
| East Slope                 | On campus           | 593                 | UG/PG              | 39/50/52 weeks                    | Single/shared + flatlets + family flats | Shared 1:6          | ✓             | ✓              |
| Headleased properties      | Brighton            | Approx 300          | UG/PG              | 39/50 weeks                       | Single                        | Shared 1:4          | ✓             | ✓              |
| King’s Road                | Brighton            | 124                 | UG/PG              | 39/50 weeks                       | Single                        | Shared 1:3          | ✓             | ✓              |
| Lewes Court Phase 1        | On campus           | 256                 | UG                 | 39/50/52 weeks                    | Single + studios + family flats | Shared 1:3          | ✓             | ✓              |
|                             |                     |                     |                    |                                   |                               | Some en-suite        |               |                |
| Lewes Court Phase 2        | On campus           | 249                 | UG                 | 39 weeks                          | Single + studios              | En-suite            | ✓             | ✓              |
| Northfield                 | On campus           | 1105                | UG/PG              | 39/50/52 weeks                    | Single + studios + family flats | En-suite            | ✓             | ✓              |
| Park Houses                | On campus           | 473                 | UG                 | 39 weeks                          | Single + flatlets             | Shared 1:6          | ✓             | ✓              |
| Park Village               | On campus           | 533                 | UG/PG              | 39/50/52 weeks                    | Single + flatlets + family flats | Shared 1:6          | ✓             | ✓              |
| Stanmer Court              | Next to campus      | 479                 | UG/PG              | 39/50 weeks                       | Single + studio               | En-suite            | ✓             | ✓              |
| Swanborough                | On campus           | 250                 | UG                 | 39 weeks                          | Single                        | En-suite            | ✓             | ✓              |
| University owned off campus| Off campus          | 75                  | UG/PG              | 39/50/52 weeks                    | Single + family flats         | Shared, varied      | ✓             | ✓              |

*All family flats have 52-week tenancies

Rents are inclusive of personal contents insurance.
Student support

Although housing is an important factor in the student experience, we recognise that, at this stage, you want to know what else we can offer during your time at Sussex.

YOUR WELL-BEING
The specific support you receive in the residences via the residential advisor has already been mentioned earlier (page 3), but there are a wealth of other support services at Sussex available for students.

STUDENT LIFE CENTRE
The Student Life Centre offers information and advice to all Sussex Students. Our aim is to help you to gain the best university experience you can, whatever your circumstances, by ensuring if you run into problems you get appropriate guidance and support.

The Student Life Centre is based in the heart of the campus on the ground floor at the North End of Bramber House. There are lots of ways to access our service. We are open from 9am-5pm every weekday, you can drop in to see us, call 01273 876767, email studentlifecentre@sussex.ac.uk, or make an appointment.

Some of the many things we can help you with include:

- managing the transition to University
- coping with the demands of University life and directing you to resources and services to support you
- personal concerns affecting study progress or well-being
- funding and finance including hardship funds and emergency loans, scholarships and bursaries
- sources of help to improve academic performance – identifying obstacles to learning
- progression, intermission and withdrawal processes – discussion and support
- drop-ins for sexual health information and free condoms, drug and alcohol counselling
- LGBT support.

If you don’t know who to talk to or who to ask – start at the Student Life Centre and remember that we are here for you.

www.sussex.ac.uk/studentlifecentre

STUDENT SUPPORT UNIT
The Student Support Unit provides support for students with disabilities, long term health conditions, mental health issues dyslexia and autistic spectrum conditions. They offer advice and assistance to prospective and current students with disabilities and specific learning difficulties, on the following:

- advice on funding additional support
- examination arrangements
- arranging note-takers, readers, specialist tutors and mentors, where funding is available
- assessment for specific learning difficulties, such as dyslexia.

Students with additional support requirements are encouraged to note these on their application forms so that the Student Support Unit can be in contact either during the application process or before arrival at the University. This is to ensure that any additional support requirements, including housing, are properly considered and that prospective students receive details of the range of facilities at Sussex.

www.sussex.ac.uk/studentsupport

SUSSEX REGIONAL ACCESS CENTRE
The Sussex Regional ACCESS Centre provides needs assessments and training on assistive technology to disabled students, including those with specific learning difficulties, mental health difficulties and ASD, who are in receipt of the Disabled Students Allowance. Based on the ground floor of Lancaster House, SRAC is fully accessible.

Call 01273 678497, or visit www.sussex.ac.uk/srac
STUDENTS’ UNION ADVICE, SUPPORT AND REPRESENTATION

The Students’ Union runs a Support and Advocacy service providing students with independent and confidential information, advice and representation on any university-related issue including complaints, appeals, disciplinary issues and academic misconduct cases.

You can see their website at www.sussexstudent.com/support or you can contact them on 01273 877038 or by emailing advice@sussexstudent.com.

The Student’s Union also runs its own letting agency Sussex Student Lettings. They can help you find private student houses off campus, and charge NO FEES to students. They can also provide any student with information and advice on private sector housing issues. Call them on 01273 678787, or view available properties at www.sussexstudentlettings.com

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT OFFICE

The International Student Support Office offer information and advice to students who come to Sussex from outside of the UK. Their specialist immigration advisors are there to help with visa-related enquiries, and other members of the team provide welcome and induction support, a programme of trips, activities and information sessions, and co-organise the annual One World Week celebrations. Their reception is open 10am-4pm from Monday-Friday during term time. Outside of term time they close 1-2pm. For more information visit www.sussex.ac.uk/internationalsupport

CHILDCARE FACILITIES

The childcare facilities at Sussex are provided by The Co-operative Childcare, part of Midcounties Co-operative. The facilities include both nursery provision for children aged 3 months to 16 months, and a Pre-School for children aged 3-5 years. Places are available to staff and student’s children and also children from the wider community. A new 101 place childcare facility opened during Spring 2014. Numbers in both areas are limited, so anyone wishing to place their children must apply directly to the supervisors at an early stage. There are also local schools for older children living on campus.

www.sussex.ac.uk/childcare

FACILITIES FOR WORSHIP

Known as the Meeting House, the University has one of the most versatile and beautiful chaplaincy centres in the country. The distinctive circular building, with its coloured-glass walls, is built on two floors. The chapel on the upper level is used for worship and music recitals throughout the week, with services drawing on different traditions of Christian spirituality.

There is a mix of chaplains, including both women and men from different churches and backgrounds, and working on a full- and part-time basis. Because most problems are not simply ethical, personal, academic or spiritual, they are available to be consulted over a wide range of issues.

The Jewish community has two part-time chaplains and shares use of the Meeting House; there is also a Jewish centre in Brighton for both orthodox and reformed.

The Muslim Student Centre is in Falmer House on campus (with separate entrances for men and women). There are also two mosques in Brighton.

www.sussex.ac.uk/chaplaincy

HEALTH CENTRE

The Health Centre on campus is an NHS independent General Practice with close links to the University, particularly with the welfare agencies. The Health Centre building has full disabled access.

General medical care is provided by four doctors. The NHS does not cover all services (eg some immunisations, travel/health certificates, medicals and private sick notes) and for these a charge will be made. The nurses are skilled in advising on contraception, cervical smears, diet, minor illnesses, asthma, hay fever and a variety of other conditions.

www.sussex.ac.uk/healthcentre

The Health Centre building also houses a dental practice and a pharmacy. There is also an NHS health centre in central Brighton, offering early morning, evening and weekend doctors’ appointments and a walk-in service. Open from 8am to 8pm, seven days a week, it offers patients convenience and flexibility. Visit www.brightonstationhealthcentre.co.uk
PSYCHOLOGICAL AND COUNSELLING SERVICES (PCS)

PCS is housed on campus in a purpose-built building attached to the Health Centre. PCS has nine part-time therapists, three administrative staff and an additional 25 post-qualified and trainee counsellors, providing therapy to over 750 students every year. The staff offer individual and group therapy and also run groups on anxiety management, substance misuse, eating problems and other difficulties.

www.sussex.ac.uk/counselling

EMPLOYMENT

THE CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY CENTRE

Located in the Library at the heart of campus the Careers and Employability Centre provides careers help and advice to Sussex students and graduates. Its comprehensive information service is staffed by professionally trained careers advisors who will conduct individual consultation sessions and are able to provide references and take-away literature on career options, employers, postgraduate study and funding, work and study overseas, and vacation work. There is also a comprehensive, accessible website and a number of career development workshops and employers’ events run during each term. A wide range of part-time and temporary work suitable for students is also advertised through the Centre.

The Careers and Employability Centre can help you to:
• explore career options
• build your skills
• develop your employability
• gain the experience employers look for.

www.sussex.ac.uk/careers

FACILITIES AND TIME OFF

As a student at Sussex, you need never be bored. When your academic work is finished there is shopping to do, bars and restaurants to visit and sports facilities to use.

CATERING SERVICES

There is a range of food and beverage services available from early morning to late evening, seven days a week during term time. They offer everything from drinks and light snacks to a diverse range of main meal menus, bar services and vending machines. There are also a number of busy cafés, which are ideal for lunch and breaks between lectures.

www.sussex.ac.uk/catering

ENTERTAINMENT AND RETAIL OUTLETS

Restaurants, bars and sports facilities are just a short walk away and there are plenty of small shops for those basic essentials. Bramber House has a Co-op supermarket which includes a post office. There is a bookshop in the library. There is one bank on campus with cashpoint machines. The Students’ Union run a convenience shop in Falmer House.

With so many people living and working together, socialising is, not surprisingly, of paramount importance. There are a number of bars on campus, all of them busy, and each with its own distinctive vibe.

SPORT AND WELL-BEING

Sport at Sussex is delivered by Sussexsport in conjunction with the Students’ Union. In addition to a wide range of student sports clubs, Sussexsport offer a variety of fitness, sport and well-being opportunities with the aim of providing the best possible sporting experience during your time at University.

Services are located on two main sites: the Sport Centre at the south end of campus and the Falmer Sports Complex (at the eastern end of campus). Facilities include 3G, ATP and grass pitches, tennis courts, dance studio/Dojo and a state-of-the-art fitness room. A large group exercise programme includes classes like yoga, trapeze, spin, Pilates and more. The sports café bar at the Falmer Sports Complex is suitable for functions and parties, and the lifestyle studio at the Sport Centre offers a sports injury clinic, sports and relaxation massage, Chiropractic clinic and beauty therapy.

For social sport, try some Active Us activities. Designed to be relaxed, accessible and affordable, Active Us has a diverse weekly programme of drop-in activities. Swim for £1 at local pools, try bouldering or even give quidditch a go!

To find out more, you can like Sussexsport on Facebook: www.facebook.com/sussexuniversitysport, follow them on Twitter: twitter.com/SussexUniSport or visit: www.sussex.ac.uk/sport
Some first-year students will choose to live in the seaside city of Brighton & Hove, taking full advantage of the varied cultural facilities it has to offer. If you decide that this is the option for you, get in touch with the Housing Services team and we will provide advice and assistance about where to look and what to look for.

Properties available in the private sector include self-contained houses or flat-shares with other students as well as bedsits or rooms with resident landlords. The University keeps a database of landlords offering accommodation locally (www.sussex.ac.uk/accommodation) and makes the information available to students through our online accommodation website. Properties registered with the University are generally cheaper than those available through local letting agents and all registered landlords sign up to a Code of Standards agreed by both local universities.

To access our online accommodation database, email housing@sussex.ac.uk quoting your registration number or UCAS application number, and a password will be sent to you.

UNIVERSITY INFORMATION CENTRE

Throughout your time at Sussex, you can obtain housing advice both on campus in our Bramber House Reception, or off campus within the University’s Information Centre, 91 Lewes Road; 10am-4pm Monday to Friday.

OTHER OPTIONS

The Housing Services team can supply contact details of local letting agents, but students should note that this is often the most expensive way of finding accommodation as agencies will normally charge a higher deposit and tenancy arrangement fee as well as a fee for taking up references and checking inventories. Students will also normally be required to provide a UK-based guarantor. Students unable to do this will usually have to pay all the rent in advance.

As an alternative to renting, many students or their parents consider buying property in the area in order to let out the extra rooms to other students. The Housing Services team can advise on the most popular areas for students to live but you will need to contact local estate agents for details of properties available.

PRIVATE-SECTOR RENTS

At the time of writing, rents in the private sector average at about £90-£105 per person per week for a room in a shared house, exclusive of bills.
If you are visually impaired and would like to receive an electronic copy of this guide, please contact the Housing Services team:

**T** +44 (0)1273 678220

**E** housing@sussex.ac.uk