

# Halls of Residence

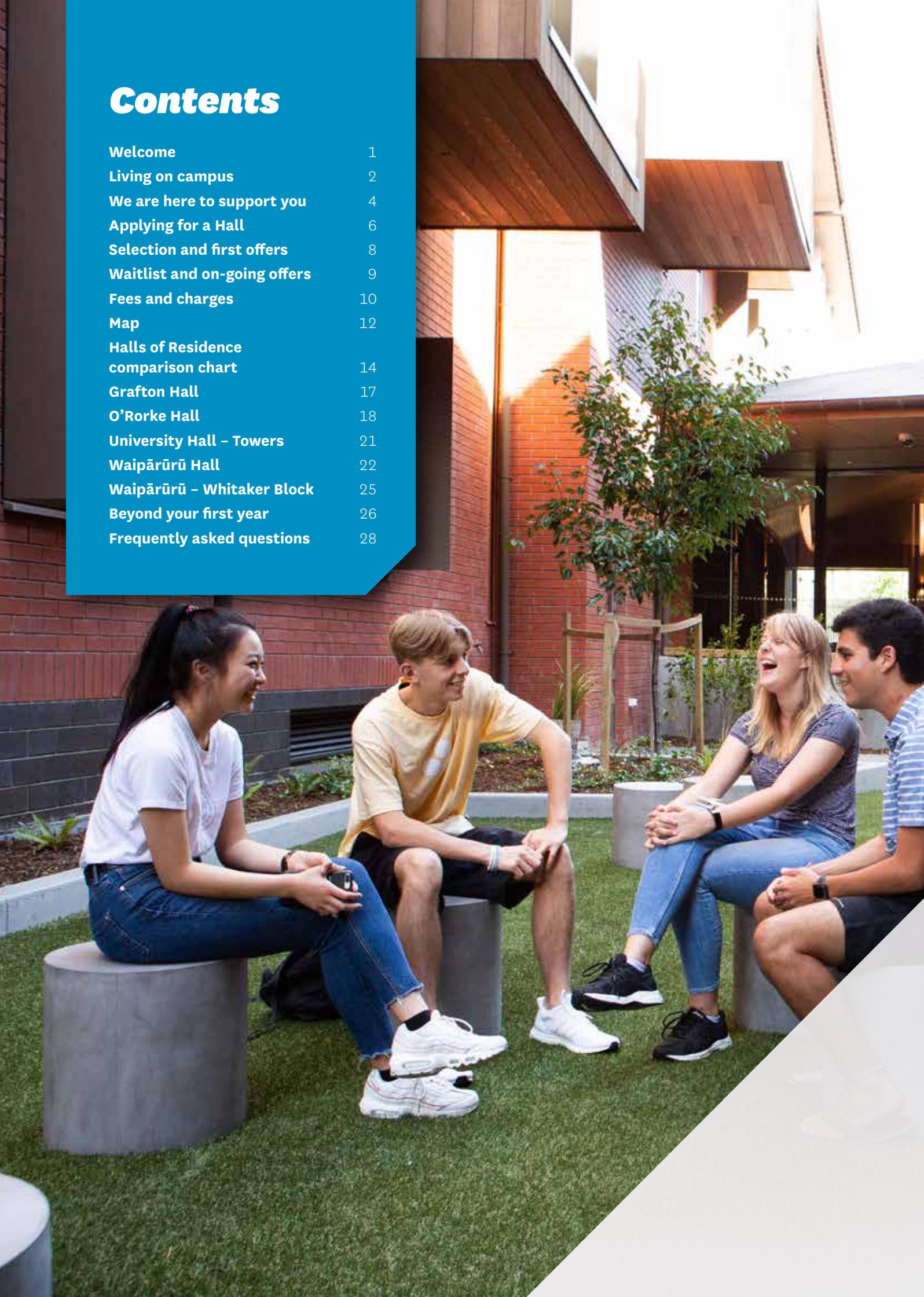
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# ***Nau Mai, Haere Mai***

One of the more important decisions you will need to make when planning to study at the University of Auckland is where to live. Whether or not it's your first time living away from home, living in University Accommodation is an exciting time in a supportive community.

Our Accommodation | Ngā Wharenoho team understands that transitioning from high school to university can be a challenging experience, which is why all of our first-year Halls offer a safe and supportive environment to help guide you through your first year at the University of Auckland.

Our Accommodation portfolio has been expanding over the past few years. We are very proud of our friendly and supportive communities in both catered halls and self-catered residences that over 4400 new and returning residents call home.

Each Hall offers catering, your own room, a range of activities and events, academic mentoring programmes and pastoral care. Many of the people you meet living in a Hall will become friends for life.

This guide provides detailed information on all of our Halls of Residence to assist you in making your decision about which Hall to apply for.

However, if you do require more information please email, call or visit our Accommodation Solutions Office.

On behalf of the Accommodation whānau, we look forward to welcoming you into our accommodation and wish you every success at the University of Auckland in 2021.

**Micheal Rengers**

Associate Director, Campus Life  
(Accommodation)

As part of our Accommodation whānau, you will have access to:



### **Accommodation engagement programme**

Inter-Res events and competitions, interest groups, formal gatherings, and charity events.



### **Accommodation wellbeing framework**

In living and learning environments, authentic partnerships and collaboration is important. We take an intentional wellbeing – hauora outcomes approach to support our residents and create a community that enables all to reach their full potential.



### **Resident Advisers**

Resident Advisers (RAs) live in our University accommodation and serve as a student staff member, leader and resource person for students living in accommodation.



### **PASS Mentoring**

Peer Assisted Study Sessions (PASS) are weekly interactive study sessions aimed at supporting student success. They are facilitated by senior students who have done well in that subject area.



### **Recreation Centre**

Exercise is an important part of staying well whilst studying. Living in University of Auckland accommodation includes a membership to the Recreation Centre, which provides unlimited access to fitness equipment, group fitness classes and personal training sessions.



### **Security**

Our properties have staff members onsite 24/7 and swipe cards for extra security

# Why live on campus?

At the University of Auckland our Halls of Residence offer easy access to both life on campus and the city's vibrant social scene.

All our Halls are within walking distance of the City, Grafton and Newmarket Campuses, and Auckland's CBD. Lively inner-city districts Ponsonby, Parnell and Mission Bay are just a walk or quick bus ride away. Plus, you can head over to nearby campuses for events, sports, clubs activities and more. With over 200 clubs on offer, living this close to our campuses makes it easy to try something new.

Visit Auckland's range of delicious eateries, enjoy a night out at one of the many bars and clubs, or explore the creative side of the city with live music gigs, boutique shops and art galleries. For your nature fix, Auckland is surrounded by beautiful harbours, islands, beaches and forests. Stroll along Mission Bay, ferry over to Waiheke Island and hike through the Waitākere Ranges.

## A supportive and engaging environment

University accommodation enhances the student experience by providing support systems and an engaging campus environment that helps students achieve academically, socially, and personally. Students who have a strong sense of belonging from the start of their university experience are more likely to persist through difficult times. Accommodation takes an intentional approach to our resident support through our waka of wellbeing framework which utilises student demographics and learning outcomes to be a transformative housing experience. The University of Auckland is the only university in NZ that has this approach.

## Academic success

Students who live in University accommodation are statistically proven to do better academically than their peers who live off campus. Resident School Leavers had a 92% pass rate in 2019 compared to Non-Resident School Leavers (88%). Resident School Leavers also earn more 'A' grades (40%) than Non-Resident School Leavers (29%). New resident students transition better into University life, reporting a higher average success of academic transition (2018 New Student Survey) and personal transition (2019).

University of Auckland accommodation offers you an enjoyable and fulfilling start to your study experience. The Hall's social atmosphere and convenient city locations will ensure you make the most of your first year and forge friendships that can last a lifetime. Meanwhile, the accommodation staff provide support for you to thrive academically and adjust to living away from home.

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*of academic & personal transition*

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*pass rate in 2019*



# ***We are here to support you!***

At the University of Auckland,  
we aim to provide an engaging and  
supportive campus environment.

Our accommodation communities have robust academic and pastoral care support programmes to ensure our students achieve, grow and develop lifelong skills and connections. Our dedicated team works closely with services across the University campuses to ensure that our students have access to support, creating a positive experience and a solid platform for success.

## **Head of Operations – Accommodation**

The Head of Operations provides operational management to the Accommodation department and is accountable for the overall delivery of an effective student accommodation service. The role includes overseeing staff, the residential experience and customer care programme. The HO is also responsible for the effective operation of Halls and Residences, policy and procedure development and ensuring services align with the strategic goals and ambitions of the university.

## **Resident Managers and Coordinators**

Resident Managers live onsite or near the Residence. This ensures a high level of support and connection to University services. The RMs provide onsite support for students and ensure that the



***“Being surrounded by so many diverse and energetic students and the support of RAs makes it easy to make the most of uni life while maintaining a good balance with academic study.”***

**Nu’umoe Duffy**  
Bachelor of Science  
from Cambridge



accommodation community is safe, comfortable, supportive, conducive to academic success and personal growth, and is responsive to the needs of students. They are on call to support students in case of emergencies.

Resident Coordinators support Resident Managers and Resident Advisers in the evening management of Accommodation. Resident Coordinators work Tuesday to Saturday 2:30 to 10:30pm. They are onsite to deliver key engagement and support programmes and provide emergency on call support to residents.

### **Resident Advisers (RAs)**

Our RAs are specifically selected and trained high-achieving senior students employed by the University. They act as academic role models and provide personal support. They support students by connecting them to leadership, social and academic development opportunities on campus and in the community. RAs live onsite and are the first port of call for students needing assistance or support as they navigate the challenges of being a tertiary student living away from home.

### **Campus Life**

Accommodation is part of the Campus Life service division at the University. Campus Life operates a range of wellbeing services, such as Accommodation, Counselling and Health Services, and Sport and Recreation, that are aimed at removing personal barriers to academic success. It also operates engagement services such as support for student organisations, social and sporting events, volunteering and leadership support that is aimed at helping students maximise the non-classroom dimensions of the University experience.

# Applying for a Hall

Perhaps you're coming to the University of Auckland from your last year of high school in New Zealand; or maybe you're from overseas. In either case, spending your first year in a Hall of Residence makes adjusting to the demands, challenges and opportunities of student life that much easier.

**i** [www.auckland.ac.nz/accommodation-how-to-apply](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/accommodation-how-to-apply)

## Applications open on 1 August 2020

To apply for 2021 accommodation, complete the **First Year High School Leaver** application online at [www.accommodation.ac.nz](http://www.accommodation.ac.nz)

## Apply by 30 September 2020 to be considered for a first offer

There is no closing date for applications. However, you're strongly encouraged to apply by 30 September 2020 to make sure your application is considered for a first offer. First offers are sent in early October. For students looking for accommodation in Semester Two, applications open online on 1 April 2021.

We recommend that you apply even before being accepted into your programme of study at the University of Auckland. If you wait until you have confirmation about programme entry, which may be as late as February, it may be too late for you to be offered a place in residence.

## Choose your preference carefully

All our Halls of Residence offer you the same student experience, are comfortably furnished and include free internet access. A range of other Hall facilities such as laundry rooms, reading libraries and TV and music rooms are available to you. All Halls of Residence are fully catered, and residents enjoy three meals daily on week days. Brunch and dinner are served on weekends.

## Think carefully about your answers to the questions on the 'About You' section

This plays an important part in the selection process as it provides insight into who you are and what you can add to the Hall community. Aim for at least three sentences for each question where possible.

## You can only submit one application

You can only apply for, and be considered for, one residence at a time.

If you wish to change your preference during the application process, email Accommodation Solutions [accom@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:accom@auckland.ac.nz) with your full name, student ID number and the name of the residence you wish to change your preference to. We'll update your application accordingly.





**Domestic and international students who completed their last year of high school in New Zealand**

Students must arrange for a completed Common Confidential Reference Form (CCRF) to be sent to Accommodation Solutions. You will be prompted to submit a CCRF request to your school upon completion of your accommodation application.

If your last year of study was completed at a high school overseas, no reference is required.

**Please advise us if you have any special requirements**

Whether it's a health, height, dietary or religious requirement, please note these on your application so that we can ensure you are applying for a residence that meets your needs.

Certain residences offer facilities suitable for students with particular disabilities. Please see our website for more information, or contact Accommodation Solutions.



# Selection and first offers

Applications far outnumber the places available, so offers are based on a selection process.

Whether you're a domestic or an international student, your application will be assessed on the basis of set selection criteria.

**Your academic achievement in New Zealand or overseas.**

This is the most important consideration and is highly weighted when selections are made.

**Your leadership, sporting, cultural and community achievements and involvement** are considered.

**The recommendations on your CCRF** (Common Confidential Reference form) will be considered if you are a student who completed your last year of high school in New Zealand.

**Your potential to contribute** positively to the residential community is also considered.

If you're a New Zealand high school student, your application will be considered for a first offer, provided you have applied between 1 August and 30 September, and have met all other requirements above. Your application will have priority during the selection process if you:

- Have achieved your Year 12 NCEA with merit or excellence or similar high achievement in Cambridge International/IB.
- Are a University of Auckland entry-level and first year scholarship winner.
- Are a Head Boy/Girl or School Dux.
- Are a Māori or Pacific student.
- Are intending to enrol in a Bachelor of Education (Teaching), Human Services, Physical Education or Social Work.



- Are a female studying Engineering or Physical or Computational Sciences.
- Are a male studying Nursing.
- Are an international student under the age of 18.

If you are not in one of the aforementioned priority groups, we assure you that your application will still be considered for selection.

Where there are more priority applicants than places available, offers will be made to these applicants on a randomised basis. We also reserve the right to offer more places than we have beds available in the expectation of some students withdrawing and cancelling their places in accommodation.

If we're not able to offer you accommodation in your preferred choice of residence, we may offer you a place in an alternative residence. We strongly advise that you accept this guaranteed place; alternatively, you may choose to remain on the waitlist for your preferred residence.

First offers for the Halls of Residence are sent out during early October. Students who have been selected to receive a first offer will be notified via email. You'll have until 21 October to accept the Residential Agreement online and pay the required deposit. Both must be completed in order for the accommodation offer to be confirmed. There will be no extensions given.

[www.auckland.ac.nz/  
accommodation-selection-process](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/accommodation-selection-process)



## Waitlist and ongoing offers

After first offers are made in October, applicants who have not received an offer of a place will be waitlisted for on-going offers. Applicants who applied before 30 September and satisfy the guaranteed offer and equity criteria, will be given priority within the waitlist pool for each residence.

As offers are declined or withdrawn between October and the beginning of Semester One, offers will then be made to applicants on the waitlist. If you receive an offer for a Hall that you had not originally applied for, to ensure your place in accommodation, we strongly recommend that you accept that offer. If you decline the offer and stay on the waitlist for your preferred Hall, it is unlikely you will be placed there.

To ensure the waitlists operate as efficiently as possible, we will email you regularly to confirm that you would like to remain on the waitlist. If we don't hear from you within an appropriate timeframe, your application will become inactive and will be withdrawn. In addition, please let us know if you are no longer coming to the University of Auckland to study so that we can make offers to waitlisted students.

### Important dates for 2021 accommodation applications

Applications open for the Full Year and Semester One 2021	1 August 2020
Last date for CCRF to be received for first offer consideration	15 September 2020
Last date for completed applications to be received for first offer consideration	30 September 2020
First offers sent	Early October 2020
First offers response due date	21 October 2020
Last date for withdrawal to receive a partial deposit refund for all residences	17 January 2021
Move in day Semester One	21 February 2021
Applications open for Semester Two	1 April 2021
Last date for withdrawal for deposit refunds for Semester Two for all residences	10 June 2021
Move in day Semester Two	5 July 2021

***“Living in university accommodation has been a great opportunity to meet a diverse range of people, and to make memories with them. The large study area is very convenient whether I want to study alone or with friends, you’re never too far from a charging port and the noise levels are perfect.”***

**Raquel Dewstow**

Bachelor of Science specialising in Biomed from Titirangi





# Fees and charges

## Deposit

If you're made an offer, a payment of \$750 is required to secure your place. This payment is made up of:

### Accommodation Deposit: \$650

- This amount forms part of your overall accommodation fees, and is credited to your room account before you move in.

### Administration Fee: \$100

- This fee is only refundable under certain conditions.

Your \$750 deposit can be paid online via credit card, Visa/MasterCard debit card, Union Pay, or internet banking through our secure payment portal at the time of accepting your Residential Agreement, or by Eftpos at our office.

Please note that credit card and debit card payments made online will incur a 1.9% Convenience Fee. This will be added automatically when you make your payment. We do not accept cash or cheque payments

If you withdraw before 15 January 2021, as specified in the Residential Agreement, you can apply for a partial refund of the deposit (\$325). If you withdraw after this date, you are ineligible for any refund unless you are declined admission into a programme.

## Fees

The current accommodation fees for all residences are published on our website:

[www.accommodation.ac.nz](http://www.accommodation.ac.nz)

The accommodation fees are calculated for the full residential agreement period and include all your meals. They also cover utilities such as water and electricity, access to the University's broadband system and a one-off residential services fee\*.

If you withdraw after taking up residence:

- The deposit will not be refunded.
- There may be a further charge for breaking your Residential Agreement.
- You will remain responsible for the accommodation fees unless (and until) a suitable replacement takes up residence.

*\* The residential services fee covers laundry, activities and O-week events.*

## Paying your fees

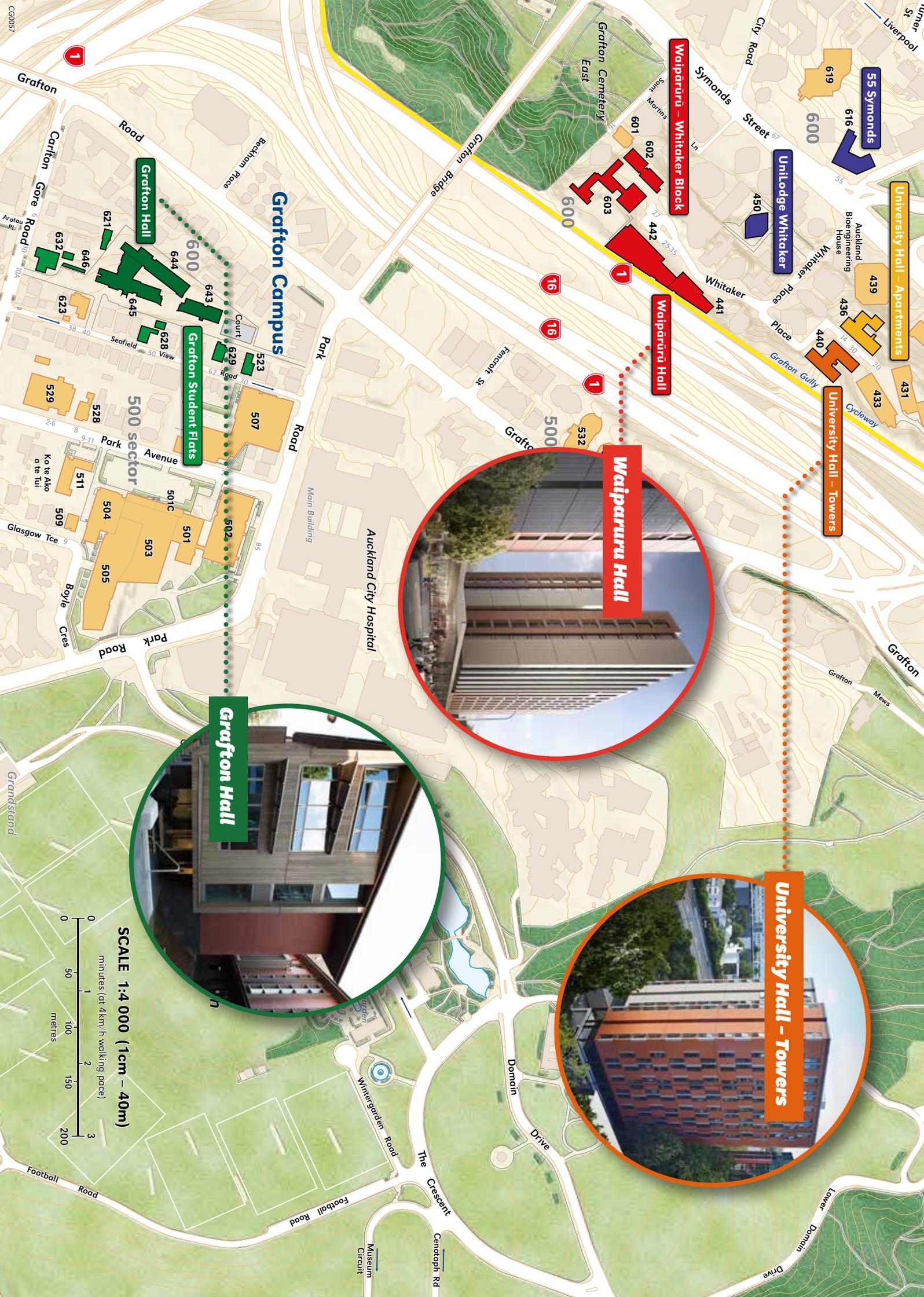
We suggest that you set up a fortnightly automatic payment, but it is also possible to make one-time fee payments online through the 'My Account' section on your Accommodation Portal. One-off fee payments can be paid online through the 'My Account' section of your accommodation portal (only viewable if you have a confirmed place in accommodation) by credit card, Visa/MasterCard debit card, Union Pay or via A2A bank transfer.

For detailed information on the accommodation costs, payment dates, and our bank account details, please refer to the accommodation fees section of our website.

## Before you move in

You are required to pay your residential services fee and the first installment of your accommodation fees prior to moving into residence. It is also possible to pay the full amount of your accommodation fees in lieu of the first installment.

 [www.auckland.ac.nz/accommodation-fees](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/accommodation-fees)



**Waiparuru - Whitaker Block**

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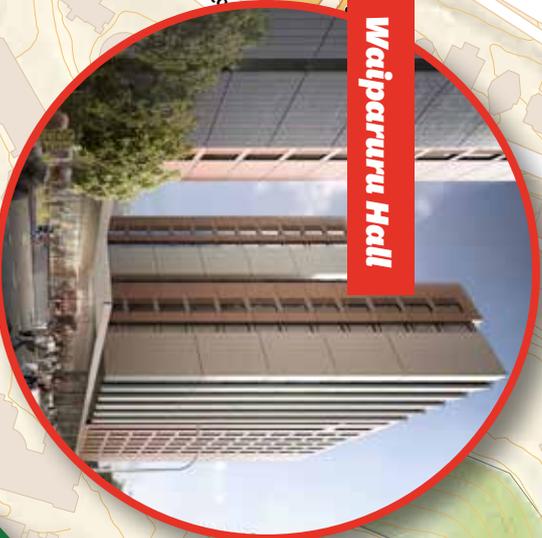
**University Hall - Towers**

**Grafton Hall**

**Grafton Student Flats**

**Grafton Hall**

**Grafton Campus**



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minutes (at 4km/h walking pace)





**O'Rorke Hall**

**O'Rorke Hall**

**Waikhangā House**

**Accommodation Solutions**

**City Campus**

**Carlaw Park Student Village**

**Unilodge Anzac/Beach**

**Te Tirohanga o te Tōrangarō**



# Halls of Residence

## Comparison Chart

	  	No. of beds		Age range	Weekly rate*	Yearly rate*
<b>Grafton Hall</b> See more on <a href="#">Page 17</a>	Multi-storey corridor-style residence Standard single rooms across 3 buildings Multiple single occupant bathrooms located throughout each floor	324	✓	17-19	Single room: \$408	Single room: \$15,832.29
<b>O'Rorke Hall</b> See more on <a href="#">Page 18</a>	Pod-style high rise residence Single rooms: 311 Large single rooms: 55 Shared unisex bathroom facilities	366	✓	17-19	Single room: \$398 Large single: \$424	Single room: \$15,450.86 Large single: \$16,442.57
<b>University Hall - Towers</b> See more on <a href="#">Page 21</a>	Corridor-style high rise residence Single rooms Shared unisex bathroom facilities	442	✓	17-19	Single room: \$408	Single room: \$15,832.29
<b>Waipārūrū Hall</b> See more on <a href="#">Page 22</a>	Corridor-style high rise residence Standard single rooms across 2 towers Multiple single occupant bathrooms located throughout each floor	786	✓	17-19	Single room: \$412 Large single: \$435	Single room: \$15,984.86 Large single: \$16,619.14
<b>Self-catered residence with optional meal plans available</b>						
<b>Waipārūrū - Whitaker Block</b> See more on <a href="#">Page 25</a>	Corridor-style three-storey residence Single room: 146 Twinshare room: 14 Twinshare deluxe: 8 Shared unisex bathroom facilities. Ensuite bathrooms in deluxe rooms only.	168	✗	17-24	Single room: \$277 Twinshare: \$210 Twinshare deluxe: \$235	Single room: \$10,835.57 Twinshare: \$8,280.00 Twinshare deluxe: \$9,233.57

Utilities (power, water and gas) are included in fees for all Halls. Wireless internet is available throughout the Halls.

\* All fees quoted are for 2021 Academic Year and are inclusive of the one-off Residential Services Fee.

						
✓	Study room Music room Academic mentoring programme	TV lounge Common rooms Games room	Basketball court	✓	✗	10-15 mins
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✗	All facilities available in Waipārūrū plus: Computer lab with printing facilities Study room	BBQ area Games area Communal lounge Communal kitchen Library	Astroturf sport court	✗	✓	8 mins

## Facilities and services key

-  Property features
-  Room configurations
-  Bathroom configurations
-  Mobility impairment access
-  Cleaning and linen services
-  Car parks – at additional cost
-  Lockable bike shed available
-  Academic facilities available
-  Full catering included in fees
-  Recreation facilities available
-  Sports facilities available
-  Walking distance to the main University Library





# Grafton Hall

## Buildings 643–645, 10A Carlton Gore Road, Grafton

Redeveloped in 2019, Grafton Hall houses 324 students in comfortably furnished single rooms across three multi-story buildings, with access to generous dining and communal facilities. Nestled within the Grafton suburb community, students are within close proximity to the Grafton and Newmarket campuses as well as the Auckland Domain, the Wintergardens and the popular Newmarket shopping precinct. All while only a 15 minute walk from the centre of the City Campus.

 [www.auckland.ac.nz/grafon-hall](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/grafon-hall)

### Hall features



- Multi-storey residence
- 324 standard single rooms across three buildings
- Security access system
- Responsible use of alcohol allowed in individual rooms, common areas alcohol free
- A noise and alcohol ban throughout the Hall during study and examination periods
- Limited single-gender floors available
- Limited floors may be designated alcohol free
- Weekly academic mentoring programme
- Membership to the University Recreation Centre for the duration of your stay



- Fully-catered Hall of Residence
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner served on week days, brunch and dinner served on the weekends
- Vegetarian, vegan, halal, gluten-free and meat options available at lunch, brunch and dinner
- Packed lunches and late dinners available by arrangement
- Kitchenette with fridge, microwave, and kettle available in floor common rooms



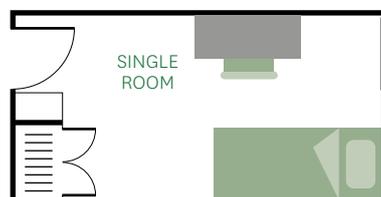
- Residents provide their own pillow, blankets, linen, and towels. Alternatively, linen packs can be purchased through the online accommodation shop before arrival. The pack includes: a pillow/pillow case, two sheets, a duvet/duvet cover, bath towel, face cloth and a laundry bag.
- Laundry facilities are included in your fees.
- Residents are responsible for cleaning their own rooms.
- Bathrooms are serviced daily. Communal areas are serviced regularly. Grounds are attended to regularly.



- Fully furnished study bedrooms, each with a single bed, bedside table, desk and chair, wall-mounted heater, wardrobe with mirror, noticeboard and ceiling fan



- Multiple single occupant bathrooms located throughout each floor, each with a lockable bathroom that contains a shower, toilet and hand basin



# O'Rorke Hall

**Building 614, 16 Mount Street, Auckland City**

Right on the doorstep of Auckland's iconic Queen Street is O'Rorke Hall. Since transforming from a collection of small residences in the early 1940s to its current modern high-rise style, O'Rorke is home to 366 residents each year and is our third largest fully catered Hall of Residence. O'Rorke Hall is located on the City Campus and is just a short five minute walk away from the General Library.

**i** [www.auckland.ac.nz/ororke-hall](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/ororke-hall)

## Hall features



- 12-storey high-rise residence
- 311 standard single rooms and 55 large single rooms available
- Approximately 35 students per floor in a system of pods, four to seven rooms per pod
- Security access system
- Responsible use of alcohol allowed in individual rooms, common areas alcohol free
- A noise and alcohol ban throughout the Hall during study and examination periods
- Limited single-gender floors available
- Limited floors or pods may be designated alcohol free
- Weekly academic mentoring programme
- Membership to the University Recreation Centre for the duration of your stay



- Fully furnished study bedroom, each with one long single bed, one desk and chair, one mobile drawer unit, one wardrobe, one mirror and noticeboard, one wall-mounted heater



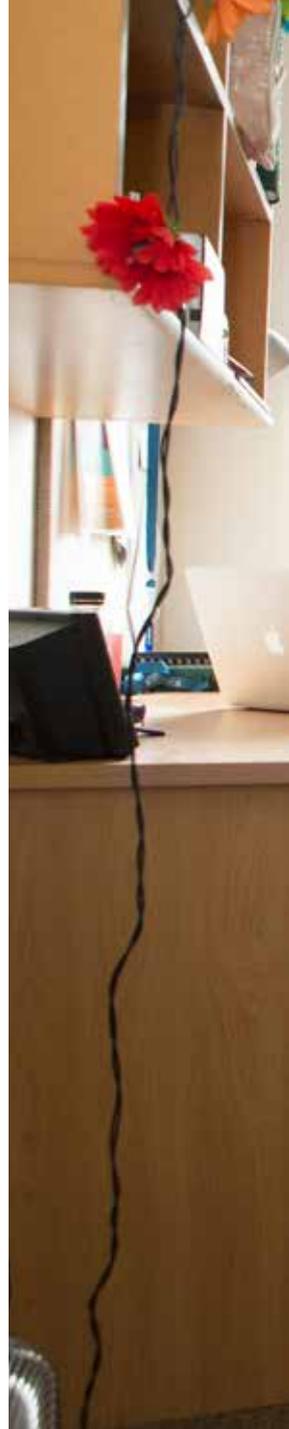
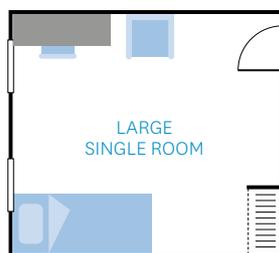
- One bathroom per pod, shared between four to seven residents
- Each bathroom contains one lockable shower, one lockable toilet, two hand basins



- Fully-catered Hall of Residence
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner served on weekdays; brunch and dinner served on the weekends
- Vegetarian, vegan, halal, gluten-free and meat options available at lunch, brunch and dinner
- Packed lunches and late dinners available by arrangement
- Kitchenette with fridge, microwave and instant water boilers available in each floor common room



- Residents provide their own pillow, blankets, linen, and towels. Alternatively, linen packs can be purchased through the online accommodation shop before arrival. The pack includes: a pillow/pillow case, two sheets, a duvet/duvet cover, bath towel, face cloth and a laundry bag.
- Laundry facilities are included in your fees.
- Residents are responsible for cleaning their own rooms.
- Bathrooms are serviced daily. Communal areas are serviced regularly. Grounds are attended to regularly.









# University Hall Towers

**Building 440, 30 Whitaker Place, Auckland City**

University Hall Towers opened in 2012 and is our second largest first year residence. This modern high-rise building houses 442 students in single rooms with shared common rooms and bathrooms on each floor in addition to generous study and social spaces. The Hall of Residence is located on the City Campus, only a short walk from the University General Library.

**[www.auckland.ac.nz/unihall-towers](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/unihall-towers)**

## Hall features



- 15-storey high-rise residence
- Houses 442 residents each year
- Security access system
- Responsible use of alcohol allowed in individual rooms, common areas alcohol free
- A noise and alcohol ban throughout the Hall during study and examination periods.
- Limited single-gender floors available
- Limited floors may be designated alcohol free
- Weekly academic mentoring programme
- Membership to the University Recreation Centre for the duration of your stay



- Fully-catered Hall of Residence
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner served on weekdays, brunch and dinner served on the weekends
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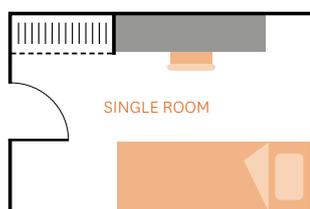
- Residents provide their own pillow, blankets, linen, and towels. Alternatively, linen packs can be purchased through the online accommodation shop before arrival. The pack includes: a pillow/pillow case, two sheets, a duvet/duvet cover, bath towel, face cloth and a laundry bag.
- Laundry facilities are included in your fees.
- Residents are responsible for cleaning their own rooms.
- Bathrooms are serviced daily. Communal areas are serviced regularly. Grounds are attended to regularly.



- Fully furnished study bedroom, each with one single bed, one desk and chair, one wardrobe with shelving, one wall-mounted heater, one towel rail, mirror and noticeboard



- Four unisex communal bathrooms on each floor, each with two lockable showers, two lockable toilets, three hand basins



# Waipārūrū Hall

## Buildings 441–442, 35 Whitaker Place, Auckland City

Waipārūrū Hall opened in 2020 and is home to 796 residents across two towers. It's the first of our residences to offer a new catering style with multiple food serving stations providing a variety of food from different cuisines. Residents also enjoy generous communal facilities, including study spaces as well as games and recreation spaces.

**i** [www.auckland.ac.nz/waiparuru-hall](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/waiparuru-hall)

### Hall features



- Dual tower high-rise residence
- 760 single and 26 large single rooms available. The large single rooms have an ensuite and are reserved for students with medical disadvantages
- Security access system
- Responsible use of alcohol allowed in individual rooms, common areas alcohol free
- A noise and alcohol ban throughout the Hall during study and examination periods
- Limited single-gender floors available
- Limited floors may be designated alcohol free
- Weekly academic mentoring programme
- 24/7 on-site Reception services
- Membership to the University Recreation Centre for the duration of your stay



- Fully furnished study bedroom, each with a single bed, bedside table, desk and chair, wall-mounted heating and cooling unit, wardrobe with shelving, mirror and noticeboard.



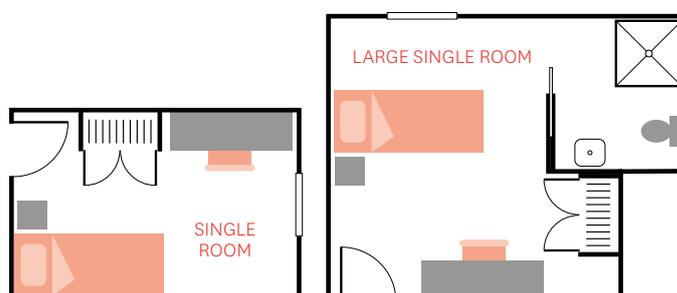
- Multiple single occupant bathrooms located throughout each floor. Each lockable bathroom contains a shower, toilet, and hand basin.

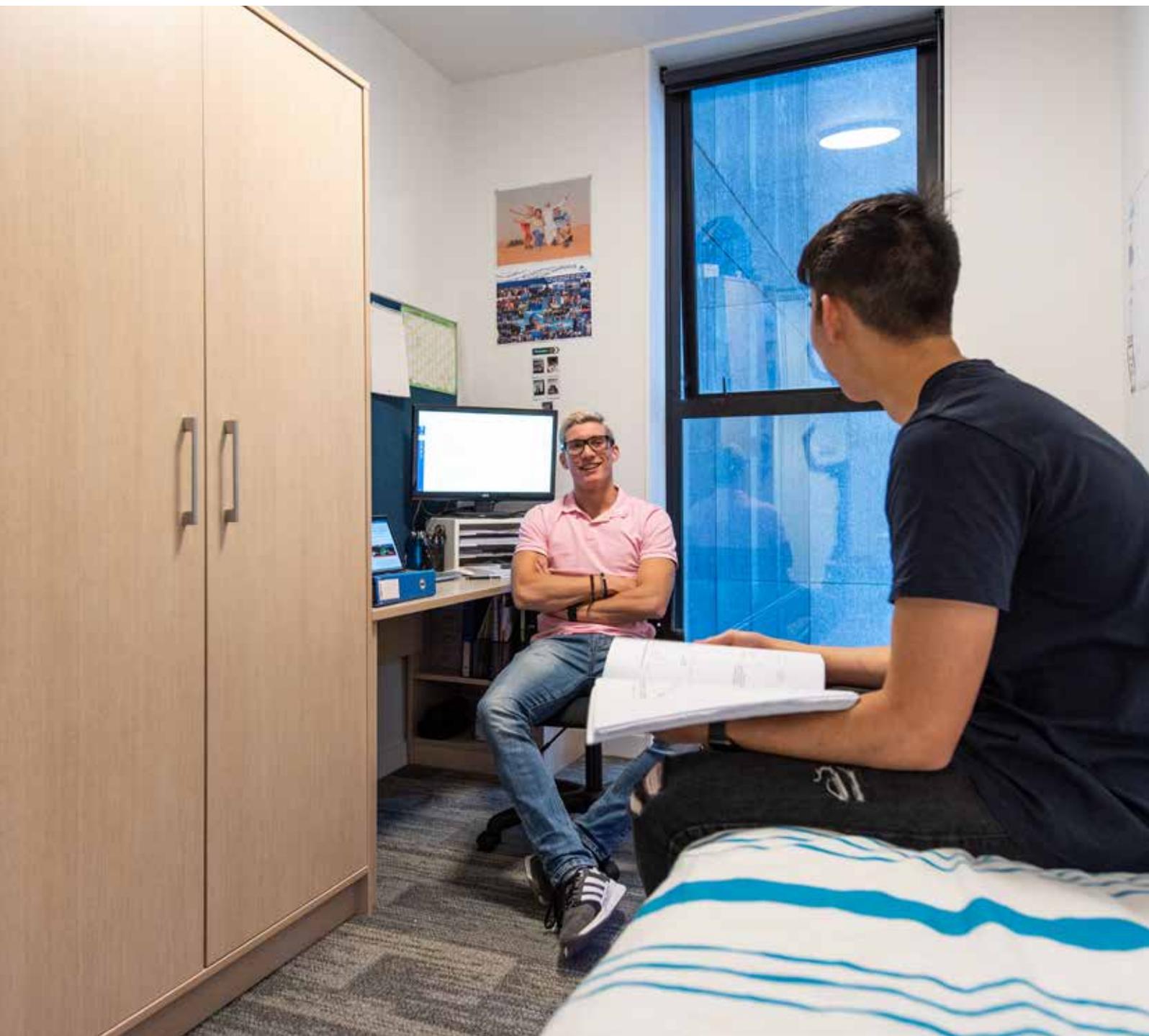


- Fully-catered Hall of Residence
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner served on weekdays, brunch and dinner served on weekends
- Vegetarian, vegan, halal, gluten-free and meat options available at lunch, brunch and dinner
- Kitchenette with fridge, microwave and kettle available in each floor common room
- Extended dining hall hours, with no provision for packed/take away meals



- Residents provide their own pillow, blankets, linen, and towels. Alternatively, linen packs can be purchased through the online accommodation shop before arrival. The pack includes: a pillow/pillow case, two sheets, a duvet/duvet cover, bath towel, face cloth and a laundry bag.
- Laundry facilities are included in your fees.
- Residents are responsible for cleaning their own rooms.
- Bathrooms are serviced daily. Communal areas are serviced regularly. Grounds are attended to regularly.









# Waipārūrū – Whitaker Block

**Buildings 601–603, 27 Whitaker Place, Auckland City**

Located at the end of Whitaker Place, you will find Whitaker Block, which is part of our Waipārūrū Hall community. This residence offers students a co-living experience with all the benefits of inner-city living, and optional meal plans for those looking for more flexibility.

**i** [www.auckland.ac.nz/waiparuru-whitaker](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/waiparuru-whitaker)

## Hall features



- Houses 168 residents
- 146 single rooms, 14 twin share rooms and 8 deluxe twin share rooms available
- Security access system
- Single gender and/or alcohol free corridors available
- Responsible use of alcohol allowed in individual rooms, common areas alcohol free
- A noise and alcohol ban throughout the building during examination periods
- Weekly academic mentoring programme
- Membership to the University Recreation Centre for the duration of your stay
- Waiparuru Hall reception operates 24/7
- Resident Manager, Resident Coordinator and Resident Advisers live on site



- Fully furnished study bedroom. each with a bed, wardrobe, desk, chair, noticeboard, bookshelf and towel rail.
- Twinshare rooms contain two sets of bedroom furniture



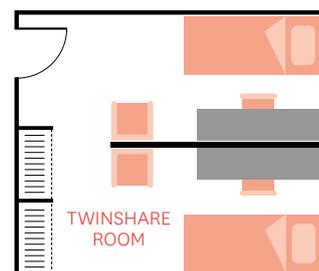
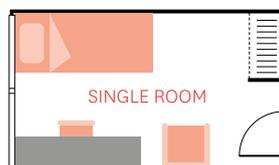
- Single and Twinshare: shared bathrooms on every floor with lockable showers and toilets
- Twinshare Deluxe: shared ensuite bathroom



- Residents provide their own bedding and linen. Alternatively a bedding pack can be purchased from our online accommodation shop before arrival.
- Electricity, water, internet, laundry and access to University gym facilities are included.
- Residents are responsible for cleaning their own rooms.
- Bathrooms and communal areas are serviced regularly. Grounds are attended to regularly.



- Self-catered residence
- Large shared communal kitchen and dining room; basic appliances provided with some shared cooking equipment
- Optional meal plans available – all meals served at the Waipārūrū dining hall
  - Vegetarian and halal options available
  - A choice of meal options from multiple food stations at each service, catering to a range of diets and serving a variety of foods from different cuisines





# Beyond your first year

In addition to our Catered Halls of Residence, the University of Auckland also has many amazing self-catered options on offer for students looking to live with us after their first year of study.

## Self-catered residences

We know that where you live is an important aspect of your university experience – and while these are exciting times, we understand that you might feel a little apprehensive about finding a new place to live after your first year. The University has many different options on offer to suit all accommodation preferences.

Our University flats and apartments offer students comfortably furnished residences in an independent environment. You have the option of applying for a standard academic year (42 week period) or for a full year (52 week period), which encompasses the summer period.

You are responsible for cooking your own meals and share responsibility with your flatmates for keeping your flat clean. Your accommodation fees cover the cost of utilities such as water, electricity and internet. The residential community is supported by Resident Managers and their teams of Resident Advisers who live onsite. On the right you'll find some of the options that you can consider.

**i** [www.auckland.ac.nz/  
self-catered-residences](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/self-catered-residences)



**“Living in university accommodation, you get to live in a supportive community filled with students and staff who understand the highs and lows of university.”**

**Agnes Meredith-Leiataua**  
 Graduated with a Bachelor of Health Sciences (2019) and currently studying a Bachelor of Law



		No. of beds	Room types		Extra amenities
<b>55 Symonds</b>	Studio apartment living with communal kitchen and living spaces	343	Deluxe and deluxe double studios with private ensuite and kitchenette	8 mins	Music room, games rooms, study rooms, BBQ area and courtyard
<b>Carlaw Park Student Village</b>	3-4 bedroom apartments with communal kitchen and living area	697	Single rooms	15 mins	Music room, games room, study room, basketball court, BBQ area, outdoor games
<b>Grafton Student Flats</b>	Flat style living with communal kitchen and living spaces, shared with flatmates	58	Single and twin-share rooms with shared bathroom; studio and studio double rooms with ensuite bathroom and kitchenette	20 mins	Lounge room with TV, music rooms available as well as a community vegetable garden
<b>Te Tirohanga o te Tōangaroa</b>	Co-living style residence with shared facilities such as kitchen, dining and living spaces	488	Single rooms with shared bathrooms	5 mins	Study rooms, karaoke room, yoga room, music rooms, TV room and sundeck
<b>UniHall Apartments</b>	3-4 bedroom apartments with communal kitchen and living area	106	Single rooms	5 mins	Study room, basketball half court, communal lounge and games rooms
<b>UniLodge Anzac/Beach</b>	Apartment style living with communal kitchen and living spaces	324	Single rooms with shared bathrooms; Studio and studio deluxe rooms with private ensuites and kitchens	5 mins	Study room, TV room, games room, gym, lap pool and BBQ area

# Frequently asked questions

## What are my obligations?

Before you accept an offer of accommodation, you must first carefully read the Residential Agreement and Residential Rules. You will be signing a legally binding document.

For those students under the age of 18 (at the time of receiving an offer of accommodation), your parent/guardian will be required to first view and accept the online agreement before you can continue the acceptance process. Full information about this process will be sent to you when we make you an offer.

### Before you move in, you must:

- Pay your first installment payment as indicated on the table of fees for your residence.

### Once you move in, you must:

- Pay your installment payments when due, for the full term of your agreement, unless the Accommodation management agrees to release you from it.
- Show consideration towards your fellow residents and neighbours, and their property.
- Keep your room reasonably clean, tidy and free from damage. Inform the Hall staff as soon as possible of any maintenance issues or repairs needed.
- Be a respectful member of the community.
- Abide by the rules set out in the resident handbook.

## Can I accept an offer and be waitlisted?

No. If you are made an offer for an alternative residence to the one you applied for, it is not possible to accept that offer and still be waitlisted for your preferred residence. When you receive an offer, you must decide whether to accept it, or decline and stay on a waitlist. Please be aware that if you decline an offer in favour of the waitlist, we are unable to guarantee that another offer can be made to you.

## I have impairment-related, dietary, cultural or other special needs – can the Halls provide for me?

It depends on your requirements. Please contact us to discuss your circumstances so we can best advise you on the accommodation options suitable for you.

## Can I take a tour of the Halls?

We encourage all prospective students to attend the University of Auckland Open Day. Our first year Halls offer guided tours, with ample opportunity to speak with staff and current residents.

Should you not be able to attend this event, you are welcome to contact us to request a tour of a Hall, and we will do our best to accommodate these requests where possible.

[www.openday.ac.nz](http://www.openday.ac.nz)

## Can I arrive early?

Some of our Halls take bookings over the summer period and may be able to accommodate you early. If it is possible, you will be charged a nightly rate. If that is not possible, you may need to book temporary accommodation. If you require assistance with booking temporary accommodation, please contact the Accommodation Solutions team: [accom@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:accom@auckland.ac.nz).





### **If I arrive late/leave early do I pay less?**

No. Our Residential Agreement dates are set. They're arranged to coincide with the academic semester. You are charged for the full period of your Residential Agreement regardless of whether you choose to move in late, or move out early. If you are replacing someone who is moving out, you pay from your move-in day.

### **What happens if I don't like living in a Hall?**

We know that moving away from home, or moving into a big city, can be a daunting experience. In our first-year Halls, plenty of activities are arranged for the first few weeks to ensure everyone gets to know each other. Most residents make new friends and settle in very quickly. Moving away from home is a time of major adjustment and you may need to talk through any difficulties with your Accommodation team or perhaps a University Counsellor. It can take a few weeks to adjust to major moves like this, so give yourself some time before you make any decisions.

### **Can I re-apply for the Halls in 2022?**

We do have some spaces in fully catered halls available to students in their second year along with a range of options in our self-catered residences for you to consider for 2022 and beyond.

### **I already live in Auckland. Can I apply to live in a Hall of Residence?**

Yes. We want you to enjoy the many benefits of living in a Hall of Residence in your first year, no matter where you are coming from. It's a great opportunity to enjoy student life, make new friends and live in the centre of the city. You'll be in a safe location, with amenities on your doorstep, and no travel costs or hassles. All of this puts you in a great position to continue to achieve well in your studies.

### **Are there any scholarships available for accommodation?**

There are school-leaver scholarships that offer a guaranteed place in accommodation.

[www.scholarships.ac.nz](http://www.scholarships.ac.nz)

### **Can I book an airport transfer to take me to my Hall?**

If you are an international student arriving in New Zealand for the first time, you're eligible for the free Airport Transfer Service. Please use the Airport Pickup Form link on your Offer of Admission email, which is sent to you by the International Office, so that you can be met at the airport and taken to your accommodation.

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