

# A warm welcome

Finding a suitable, safe, and comfortable place to live is a priority for all students. At Southampton Solent University, we can offer you this and much more...

We have more than 2,300 single study-bedrooms spread across our six Student Residences, all of which are located in the heart of Southampton and only a short walk from the main campus.

Our dedicated Accommodation Team is here to support you all year round and help to ensure that Southampton is a fun, exciting place to live and study. We also have dedicated staff to provide advice and assistance on finding accommodation in the private sector through our accredited housing scheme.

This booklet is designed to provide all the information you require to make the right choice of accommodation while you study with us — if you have any specific questions simply give us a call, check out our website, or talk to us at one of the many recruitment events held each year.

We look forward to meeting you soon.

Bryan Carroll
Assistant Director Estates and Facilities

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# Living with us

There's nothing to worry about. Our purpose built Student Residences are not only modern and attractive, they're also great places to work, relax, socialise and meet new friends. There's a friendly, welcoming atmosphere and a real community spirit.

There are six Residences in total and all are within walking distance of the city centre and the campus. So, whether it's lectures, a session in the library, shopping or a night out on the town, it's all close by.

### Contemporary and comfortable

All study-bedrooms are furnished with a bed, wardrobe, chair and desk. Each Residence is self-catered and offers shared kitchen facilities which include a cooker. kettle, microwave and fridge/freezer. There is limited parking, although the campus and city centre are within walking distance.

### Free online access

Every study-bedroom has a data access point, so you can plug straight into the internet (certain restrictions apply). It is a high-speed network service providing an 'always on' connection directly to your study bedroom. You'll need to supply your own computer with an ethernet adapter installed. Wi-Fi access is also available within the common rooms.

### Safe and secure

Uni life provides the opportunity to be independent and stand on your own two feet, but equally we believe that help should never be far away; a dedicated Residence Management Team is on hand 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Each Residence, study-bedroom and kitchen is designed to ensure that only residents can gain access. The Residences meet the current fire safety regulations and the government approved Code of Practice for Management of Student Housing. Police Higher Education Liaison Officers can be found around Southampton and are on hand to give confidential help or advice.







Over **2,300** rooms

in six student residences, including en-suite and non en-suite accommodation



### Peace of mind with Student Housing Code

The Residences at Southampton Solent University comply with the Universities UK/Guild HE Code of Practice for the Management of Student Housing. This code covers, among other matters, health and safety, maintenance and repair, and relationships between the University and student tenants. It outlines best practice and provides benchmarks for the management - and quality - of student housing in the sector.

### What is it like to live here?

Ask any of our students what it's like to live in the Residences and it's unlikely that they're going to mention the fast internet access, the focus on safety or the fact that the communal areas are cleaned for them. No, they will tell you that it's a great way of meeting and getting to know people and has a real community atmosphere. The Residences are much more than just a place to live; they're about a particular lifestyle and a place to be yourself.

#### Insurance

Student possessions insurance is provided by Endsleigh. This covers a range of belongings within your room, including laptops, sports and electrical equipment, clothes and frozen food. This has been arranged by the University and is at no additional cost to students.

More information on what is covered and the level of cover is available at www.solent.ac.uk/accommodation or www.endsleigh.co.uk

### The Accommodation Office

The Accommodation Office Team is located at the main campus on the third floor of the Michael Andrews building. The team will handle your application for accommodation, the allocation of rooms, and the payment of fees. They are also available to assist with any enquiries or provide advice on finding accommodation in the private sector.

Feel free to give us a call or send an email with any queries; we will be more than happy to help.

Email: accommodation@solent.ac.uk Tel: +44 (0)23 8031 9461/9637





# City living

A vibrant and modern city, Southampton has something to offer everyone and by living in the Residences you're right in the heart of it.

With approximately 40,000 students living in Southampton, the city is very student friendly and there is always something going on.

Being the capital city of the South, it's a magnet for, well, just about everything! Big name DJs, the latest bands, West End theatre productions, big sporting events — you name it, they all come here.

Southampton is one of the greenest cities in the country and is surrounded by spacious parks, which are ideal for everything from a kickabout to stretching out in the sun.

If you're into sports, Southampton is home to Southampton Football Club and to national and international cricket at the Hampshire Rose Bowl. In addition to the sports centre and gym on the main campus, Southampton also has a large swimming and diving complex called The Quays.



There are many advantages of city living: everything is within easy walking distance, giving you more leisure time to relax and enjoy the entertainment that Southampton has to offer. Restaurants, bars and nightclubs are all within easy reach, and if you prefer something more cultured, there are countless museums, galleries and theatres. There is a great atmosphere, reflecting the 'work hard, play hard' attitude of the city's students and residents.

Southampton really does have something to offer everyone and is a great place to be a student.





# About the **Residences**

We have more than 2,300 rooms in six Residences, providing a mix of en-suite and non en-suite accommodation. The Residences are located in close proximity to each other, which gives the area a real student community feel.

Many of the Residences are in a flat layout with their own front door or access-only entry. All the Residences are self-catered and have fully equipped kitchens.

Located within walking distance of the campus and the city centre there is no real need to bring a car, although there is limited parking available at each Residence.

### Living in the Residences

When allocating students into rooms and flats, we aim to create mixed and integrated communities. There are many benefits to living in such an environment, not least the opportunity to meet and live with students of different cultures and backgrounds.

It is important to realise that at times living with many different people can naturally be vibrant and lively. We ask all of our students to live harmoniously and show consideration and respect towards their fellow residents, staff, the local community and to the Residence itself. The Residence Management Team is available 24 hours a day to help resolve any problems that may occur.

We fully support the national 'Respect' campaign, a crossgovernment strategy to tackle bad behaviour and nurture good, and so help create a modern culture of respect. This ethos is core to everything we do, how we treat students living with us, and what we expect in return.

Each Residence has its own Facebook group — make sure you join before you move in to meet some of the other students you will be living with.

#### Which Residence?

This is a commonly asked question and the answer really depends on what you are looking for in your experience of living with us.





As all of the Residences were built between 1993 and 1996, they are all of a comparable standard and presentation. All are within a 10-15 minute walk from the University campus and the city centre. The main difference is whether you wish to go for en-suite or standard accommodation and a large or small Residence.

### En-suite or non en-suite?

En-suite accommodation will provide you with more privacy, although it is more expensive and you will have to clean the en-suite yourself. Standard non en-suite accommodation on the other hand is not only cheaper but tends to be more sociable as you get to know a greater variety of people. Also, the bathroom facilities are cleaned for you, so there is less for you to worry about.

### Large or small?

The larger Residences, such as Deanery (422 rooms) and Lucia Foster Welch (805 rooms), tend to be more buzzing and lively, although this can depend on the people living in the Residences as well as how many. As there are more people around, you're more likely to be living near someone on your course, which could come in handy for study groups and group work.

The smaller Residences, such as Hamwic (228 rooms) and Chantry (208 rooms), have more of a community feel as you get to know most of the people you're living with.

Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that there will be rooms available in your preferred Residence when your application is processed. When applying online, please list your preferred accommodation choice from first to last.

For more details please visit: www.solent.ac.uk/accommodation.

### In my view

"There's a strong sense of community, with friendly and experienced staff who are always on hand to offer help and support."

Chloe MacMahon, BA (Hons) Advertising







## Take a look inside

The (www.solent.ac.uk/accommodation) website contains up-to-date information on the Residences, accommodation fees and the application process, as well as including pictures, floor plans, videos and 360° views of each of the Residences.

Come along to one of our Open Days to see what the accommodation is really like by taking an accommodation tour. For details visit: www.solent.ac.uk/opendays

### Fn-suite

# **Deanery**

## Marsh Lane, Southampton SO14 3NJ









Deanery has 422 en-suite study-bedrooms, separated into flats of 7, 8 or 10, and is made up of three separate buildings.

Deanery is a 10-minute walk from the main campus and is close to the city centre, as well as the Ocean Village waterfront with its boats, bars and cinemas, and Oxford Street's student-friendly cafés, restaurants and wine bars.

- Flat configuration containing 7, 8 or 10 single study-bedrooms with en-suite toilet, washbasin and shower facilities
- Kitchen/diners equipped with storage area, fridges, freezers, electric hobs, conventional and microwave ovens.
- kettles and vacuum cleaners Common room with Sky TV, DVD player, Wi-Fi access and
- free pool and table football
- Vending machines for cold drinks and confectionery
- Laundry room equipped with card-operated washing machines, tumble dryers and facilities for ironing
- Secure bicycle storage and parking for 52 cars
- All study-bedrooms have an internet access point for connection to a computer.

### Fn-suite

# **Hamwic**

## Cook Street, Southampton SO14 1YA







With 228 en-suite study-bedrooms, Hamwic is just 10 minutes from the main University campus and is close to the city centre.



- Single study-bedrooms with en-suite toilet, washbasin and shower facilities
- Wheelchair access rooms
- Kitchen/diners equipped with storage area, fridges, freezers, electric hobs, conventional and microwave ovens. kettles and vacuum cleaners
- Common room with Sky TV, DVD player, Wi-Fi access and free pool and table football
- Vending machines for cold drinks and confectionery
- Laundry room equipped with card-operated washing machines, tumble dryers and facilities for ironing
- Secure bicycle storage and parking for 32 cars (including two disabled spaces)
- All study-bedrooms have an internet access point for connection to a computer.

### Fn-suite

# Kimber incorporating the David Moxon Annexe

## St Mary's Place Off Kingsway, Southampton SO14 1XA







With views across Hoglands Park, Kimber and the David Moxon Annexe is the closest Residence to the main University campus. All the study-bedrooms are en-suite, with 274 bedrooms in Kimber and 117 bedrooms in the Annexe.



- Single study-bedrooms with en-suite toilet, washbasin and shower facilities
- Wheelchair access rooms
- Kitchen/diners equipped with storage area, fridges, freezers, electric hobs, conventional and microwave ovens, kettles and vacuum cleaners
- Common room with Sky TV, DVD player, Wi-Fi access and free pool and table football
- Vending machines for cold drinks and confectionery
- Laundry room equipped with card-operated washing machines, tumble dryers and facilities for ironing
- Secure bicycle storage and parking for 65 cars (including two disabled spaces)
- All study-bedrooms have an internet access point for connection to a computer.

## Non en-suite

# **Chantry**

Marsh Lane, Southampton SO14 1ZA







This Residence has 208 single study-bedrooms and a large common room for when you fancy meeting up with friends for a game of pool.

- Single study-bedrooms with washbasin
- Separate individual toilet and shower facilities on each
- Kitchen/diners equipped with storage area, fridges, freezers, electric hobs, conventional and microwave ovens, kettles and vacuum cleaners
- Common room with Sky TV, DVD player, Wi-Fi access and free pool and table football
- Vending machines for cold drinks and confectionery
- Laundry room equipped with card-operated washing machines, tumble dryers and facilities for ironing
- Secure bicycle storage and parking for 26 cars
- All study-bedrooms have an internet access point for connection to a computer.

### Non en-suite

## Lucia Foster Welch

Royal Crescent Road, Southampton SO14 3ZP









With 805 study-bedrooms, Lucia Foster Welch is the largest Residence. It consists of seven linked buildings that are all close to the Ocean Village waterfront with its boats, bars, cafés and cinemas.

- Flat configuration containing 6, 8 or 10 single studybedrooms, each with a washbasin
- Individual toilet and shower facilities in each flat
- Wheelchair access rooms
- Kitchen/diners equipped with storage area, fridges/freezers, electric hobs, conventional and microwave ovens, kettles and vacuum cleaners
- 2 common rooms with widescreen TVs and Wi-Fi access
- Vending machines for cold drinks and confectionery
- Laundry room equipped with coin-operated washing machines, and tumble dryers
- Secure bicycle storage and parking for 136 cars (including four disabled spaces)
- Photocopying facilities on-site
- All study-bedrooms have an internet access point for connection to a computer.

### Non en-suite

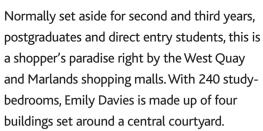
# **Emily Davies**

Western Esplanade (corner of Fitzhugh Street), Southampton SO15 2PU











- Flat configuration containing three or four studybedrooms of varying size
- A choice of individual or shared study-bedrooms
- Individual toilet and shower facilities in each flat
- Kitchen in each flat equipped with storage area, fridge/freezers, electric hobs, conventional and microwave ovens, kettle and vacuum cleaner
- Vending machines for cold drinks and confectionery
- Combined laundry and common room with Sky TV, DVD player, Wi-Fi access, card-operated washing machines, tumble dryers and facilities for ironing
- Bicycle storage and parking for 26 cars
- All study-bedrooms have an internet access point for connection to a computer.

# **Facilities**

## at a glance

The table below compares the facilities available at each of the Residences. The number of students sharing a flat or corridor varies within the Residences. More information is available on pages 30-32.

|   | Chantry               | Deanery                        | Hamwic                | Kimber &<br>David Moxon<br>Annexe    | Lucia<br>Foster Welch             | Emily Davies<br>(Returners<br>/PG) |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Rooms: Single                                   | 208                   | 422                            | 228                   | 391                                  | 805                               | 192                                |
| Rooms: Twin                                     |                       |                                |                       |                                      |                                   | 48                                 |
| Approx distance to campus (approx walking time) | 1/2 mile<br>(10 mins) | 1/2 mile<br>(10 mins)          | 1/2 mile<br>(10 mins) | less than<br>1/2 mile<br>(5-10 mins) | 1 mile<br>(15-20 mins)            | 1/2 mile<br>(10 mins)              |
| En-suite (E) or Shared bathroom facilities (S)  | S                     | E                              | E                     | E                                    | S                                 | S                                  |
| Washbasins in room                              | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 |                                    |
| Shared kitchen/diner                            | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | kitchen only                       |
| Flat (F) or Traditional<br>(T) layout           | Т                     | F                              | Т                     | Т                                    | F                                 | F                                  |
| Car parking spaces                              | 26                    | 52                             | 32                    | 65                                   | 136                               | 26                                 |
| Cycle storage                                   | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| Security & CCTV surveillance                    | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| Residence Management Team                       | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| Common Room                                     | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| Laundry   | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| TV viewing area                                 | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| Communal area cleaning                          | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| Number of storeys                               | 6                     | 8 or 9<br>(depending on block) | 6                     | 4                                    | 5 or 8<br>(depending on<br>house) | 6                                  |
| Lifts to all floors                             | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| Utility costs included                          | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| Internet access provision                       | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| 40-week let                                     | •                     | •                              | •                     | •                                    | •                                 | •                                  |
| 48-week let option                              |                       |                                |                       |                                      | •                                 | •                                  |

## Location map

The largest city in the

South-Fast outside of London

Southampton covers an area of

51.81<sub>km²</sub>

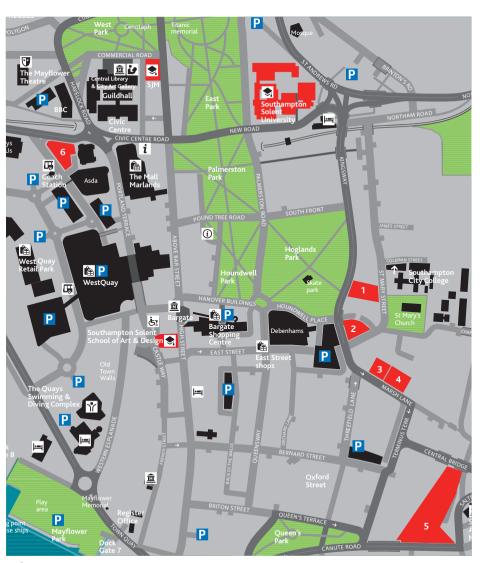
Population of over **230,000** people

Student population of over 40,000

20% of the population are aged 16–24

- 1 Kimber and David Moxon Annexe
- 2 Hamwic
- 3 Chantry

- 4 Deanery
- 5 Lucia Foster Welch
- 6 Emily Davies

















# Continuing students

Three or four-bedroom flats are available at the Emily Davies Student Residence (see page 15). This Residence is normally set aside for continuing and postgraduate students and is situated next to the West Quay shopping mall. En-suite rooms are also available in most other Residences with specific floors set aside for continuing students.

The benefits of living with us include flexible contract lengths, no hidden charges, and no bills to pay.

Accommodation rates will vary according to the size of room. For the latest fees or for further information, please visit our website or contact the Accommodation Office Team.

### Summer accommodation

You can choose to live with us over the summer period (July to September) at discounted rates. The shortest letting period is one week (Saturday to Saturday) and rooms are usually starting at the Lucia Foster Welch Student Residence, moving on to Chantry Student Residence.

### How to apply

To apply, simply complete the application form which is available from our website:

www.solent.ac.uk/accommodation and return to the Accommodation Office: Email: accommodation@solent.ac.uk

Summer Residences Accommodation Office Facilities and Commercial Services Southampton Solent University East Park Terrace Southampton SO14 ORN United Kingdom





## International students

There's a warm welcome awaiting everyone who comes to study from overseas.

Once you've accepted your course offer, we'll send you a pre-arrival pack to help with your move to the UK. If you wish to live in a Student Residence, simply complete the on-line application form (details will be sent with your course offer) or complete the Accommodation application form included in the pack and send it back to us. If you are a non-EU student, then in most cases your Residence fees must be paid in full before you move into your room (see page 22).

If you are bringing your family, or would prefer to rent a property (see page 20), our Accommodation Office Team will be pleased to provide you with any advice you need.

Bedding packs may be provided for international students, please contact the Accommodation Office Team for further details:

Tel: +44 (0)23 8031 9461/9637 Fax: +44 (0)23 8031 9523 Email: accommodation@solent.ac.uk

For information or help with your course application, contact the International Recruitment Office:

Tel: +44 (0)23 8031 9646 Email: international@solent.ac.uk

For information on our International Induction Week, your Visa or coming to the UK:

The International Advice Team **Students 1st Information Centre** Southampton Solent University **East Park Terrace** Southampton, S014 0RN

Tel: +44 (0)23 8031 9427 Fax: +44 (0)23 8031 9412

Email: international.support@solent.ac.uk

# Renting **Privately**

Of course, living in Student Residences isn't your only option. You can rent a flat or a house with friends, or choose lodgings with or without meals provided. To help you find the right place, our Accommodation Office Team is here to help.

### Where to look

In partnership with the University of Southampton and Southampton City Council, we have compiled an accredited list of private accommodation in Southampton and the surrounding area.

The scheme, known as SASSH (Southampton Accreditation Scheme for Student Housing), uses certain criteria which a landlord must declare that their property meets and agrees to maintain, such as having valid gas and electricity safety certificates and smoke detectors.

This voluntary code of practice aims to encourage landlords to maintain their properties in a safe and secure condition, to encourage good tenancy relations between landlords and tenants, and to promote quality accommodation to students.

The accredited housing list is available at www.SASSH.co.uk (password available on our website). You are able to search the property list on a wide range of housing options, as well as view maps and leave messages about looking for accommodation, spare rooms or potential house mates.

### Before you commit

Unfortunately, it would be impossible for all the accredited properties on the list to be inspected and validated, although Southampton City Council does carry out spot checks of properties registered on the Scheme. We strongly advise you to arrange a visit to the property that interests you to ensure that:

- it fits with your needs
- all the information advertised is accurate
- certification is up-to-date
- the property is of a suitable standard and is safe/secure.

While we are only too pleased to offer any advice you might need, it is up to you to negotiate rents and deposits with the landlord. You'll normally be asked to sign a Tenancy







Agreement for the whole year. This may include having to pay full rent or a reduced rate over the summer vacation if you want to keep the property for the next academic year. Again, this is something you should discuss with the landlord. You'll also need to figure bills into the overall cost, like phone, gas and internet access, as these aren't normally included in the rent. Before you sign anything, make sure that you are satisfied with what's being offered and that you understand your rights and obligations as a tenant, because once a tenancy agreement is signed, you are legally liable for the rent until the tenancy end date.

### **Tenancy Deposit Protection**

A Tenancy Deposit Protection Scheme (TDPS) has been introduced by the Government to prevent landlords from wrongly withholding part or all of a tenant's deposit and to help resolve disputes. Under Part 6 of the Housing Act 2004, landlords or agents can only take a deposit from a tenant if that deposit is protected under TDPS. Two types of scheme have been introduced:

- A custodial scheme, whereby the deposit is held by the Scheme during the tenancy and during any legal dispute.
- An insurance-based scheme where the landlord or agent keeps the deposit, but the deposit is insured in case of any dispute, and thus protected for the tenant.

### For further information please go to: www.direct.gov.uk

To ensure that you do not have issues with your deposit at the end of your tenancy, ask the landlord to carry out a full property inventory. If your landlord does not want to, do not be afraid to do your own and back it up with dated photos.

If you have any questions or need advice on renting in the private sector, please contact:

Accommodation Office - 3rd Floor Michael Andrews Building Tel: +44(0) 23 8031 9435 Email: accommodation@solent.ac.uk

# Application and allocation process

### How to apply

If you have an offer on a full-time course and have made Southampton Solent your first choice university you can submit an application for a place in student residences. Simply fill out the online form (details on how to access the web pages will be sent to you from the end of March).

You can indicate whether you'd prefer an en-suite room and express a preference for a particular student residence, a room in a quieter area and if you require car parking. We will do our best but we can't guarantee that these will be available when we are allocating you a room.

You will receive an immediate acknowledgement of your application to your email address. All further correspondence will be sent via email, so please remember to keep us informed if you change your address.

### What happens next?

After we allocate your room we will send you an email. You need to go online to accept the room offer. When you've accepted it you'll be taken to a secure payment page and asked to make a pre-payment of £250 against your accommodation fees.

Once the pre-payment has been paid, you will then be asked to provide bank or card details to pay the balance of vour accommodation fees.

#### How to pay

#### Instalments

To help you to manage your budget, accommodation fees can be spread across the whole year and paid in either three, equal termly instalments - normally November, February and May – or seven, equal monthly instalments commencing in November and ending in May.

### All at once

If you prefer to get it out of the way, you can pay all your fees in one go before you get here. You just need to enter your card details and the payment will be taken on a predetermined date.

Please note: Students from outside the EU must pay their accommodation fees in full when accepting the room.

#### Residence fees

Rooms vary in price depending on what type of room you have and the length of the residency agreement you wish to sign up for.





## In my view

"I chose Solent as it's in a really beautiful city, and a nice place to study. The people here are so friendly and there are lots of places to do your work around the campus."

Landry Samba, BSc (Hons) Software

Engineering

The Residence fees are set annually towards the end of the calendar year. For the current fees, please visit our website, www.solent.ac.uk/accommodation

### What your fees include:

- rent for the study-bedroom
- · all utility bills
- · faster-than-broadband internet access
- · cleaning of communal areas
- accommodation during Christmas and Easter (so there's no need to move your stuff out)
- routine repairs and maintenance.

### Car parking

See website for details.



# FAQs - your questions answered

### I will be studying part-time, can I still apply for accommodation?

Part-time students are not eligible to apply for University accommodation. However, we can help you to find suitable accommodation in the private sector and provide contact details of local letting agencies (see page 20). Please contact the Accommodation Office Team for further information.

## Is there any accommodation suitable

Our accommodation is not suitable for families: however, we can help you to find suitable accommodation in the private sector (See page 20).

### I will be under 18 when I start University, can I still stay in Residences?

The University has a legal obligation to make separate accommodation provision for students who are under-18 at the start of the academic year. We may be able to offer you a room with other under 18s in our Residences. For further information, please contact the Accommodation Office Team.

### When can I apply?

Please see provision of places and allocation process.

### Can I bring my car or bicycle?

Yes, although the number of parking permits available is limited. To have a good chance of securing a permit we advise that you apply for one when you apply for accommodation. There are free cycle storage facilities available at each Residence.

### Can I live in Residences after my first year?

Yes, Emily Davies Student Residence is normally set aside for continuing students (see page 17 for further information). There are also en-suite and non en-suite rooms available in other Residences with specific floors set aside for continuing students. Please check the 'Returning students' page on the website for further information and see page 18.

## Can I live in the Residences during the

Yes, we have accommodation available over the summer at discounted rates. For further information on living in Residences over the summer, please see page 18.

### Can I see the accommodation?

Yes. As there are already students living in the Residences. viewings are limited to Open Days where particular Residences and rooms are available.

### Can I share with friends?

If you would like to live in the same flat or floor as a friend, please add their details to your application and ensure that they do the same. We will then allocate your rooms as close together as we can.

### What arrangements are in place if I have a disability or special need?

We have made significant investments in accommodation. facilities include: vibrating pillows for deaf students, hoists and purpose-built rooms with ground floor access. We also have larger rooms for students who may just need extra space for essential equipment and can provide fridges in bedrooms for medical purposes. Further necessary adaptations can be made following an Occupational Therapist's assessment.

Free car parking is available for blue-badge holders at the Residences and on campus.

Students can agree individual Personal Emergency Evacuation Plans (PEEPs) with your Residence Manager.

It's really important to get in contact with us as soon possible so that we can start to make any necessary arrangements.

For more information please visit: www.solent.ac.uk/ student-life/welfare/disability/disability-support.aspx

### I have a medical condition, will this be taken into account?

Yes: please include details with your application. substantiated with medical evidence where possible. It's very important that any condition is declared as soon as possible, in order to avoid the most suitable type of accommodation becoming full before we are aware of vour needs.

### Can I smoke at the Residences?

Smoking is not permitted within five metres of any entrance or window of the residence. Designated smoking areas should be used where available.

Residents who fail to comply with the policy will be in breach of the Terms of Residency and subject to disciplinary measures.

### Do I need a TV licence?

Yes. Every student using a TV receiver in University accommodation to watch or record television programmes as they're being shown on TV (including a PC or laptop) needs to be covered by a valid TV Licence. Refunds may be given on unused quarters, so if you are not staying in University accommodation over the summer, you may be able to claim back for the last three months of your licence.

### Do I need to move out during vacations?

No. There is no need to move out during the Christmas and Easter vacations. You can also choose to stay over the summer, although this may be in another Residence.

### How many students share a kitchen/bathroom?

This varies between and within Residences: Chantry (Non en-suite) – Between 10 and 12 students share a kitchen and there are 8 showers and 8 toilets

available on each floor

Deanery (En-suite) – Between 7 and 10 students share a kitchen.

Emily Davies (Non en-suite) – 4 students per flat share a kitchen, shower and toilet.

Hamwic (En-suite) – Between 7 and 12 students share a kitchen dependent on location.

Kimber (En-suite) – 10 or 11 students share a kitchen. Kimber - David Moxon Annexe (En-suite) - 6-8 students share a kitchen.

Lucia Foster Welch (Non en-suite) – Flats of 6 students share a kitchen, two showers and two toilets. Flats of 10 students share a kitchen, three showers and three toilets.

### Is single-sex accommodation available?

Yes: certain flats or floors are designated as single sex accommodation. Please include this as a preference on your application and return it to us as soon as possible as. unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that there will be this type of room available when your application is processed.

### What do I need to bring?

All study-bedrooms are furnished with a bed, chairs, desk, single wardrobe and bookshelf space.

You are required to provide your own bedding including sheets, pillows, pillowcases and duvet, duvet cover or blankets. The Residences are self-catering, and therefore you will need to bring crockery, including cups, plates. dishes, and so on (suitable for microwave use). Kitchen cupboards are lockable and you will need to bring a small padlock, if required. All cutlery and cooking utensils, pots and pans must be suitable for electric hob use. It is also advisable to bring tea towels, dishcloths and coat hangers. Each room has a noticeboard that is handy for putting up posters along with photos of family and friends, so don't forget to bring these with you.

There is a suggested list of what to bring on our website, as well as details of companies that can supply kitchen and bedding packs. It's a good idea not to try and bring everything with you when you first move in, so that you can get an idea of what you really need and where you are going to put it.

Bedding packs may be provided for international students, please contact the Accommodation Office Team for further details.

### What size are the rooms?

The typical room sizes are: En-suite (Kimber, Hamwic and Deanery) – 11-13m2 Non en-suite (Lucia Foster Welch and Chantry) – 8-9m2 Non en-suite (Emily Davies) - 6-13m2. dependant on room type.

Floor plans are available on website.

### What storage is provided in the rooms?

Each study-bedroom is furnished with a single wardrobe. a three-drawer unit (not LFW), a bookshelf, desk with drawers and under bed space for larger items such as suitcases

### When can I move in?

See website for details

### Are my possessions insured?

Student possessions insurance is provided by Endsleigh. This covers a range of belongings within your room. including laptops, sports and electrical equipment, clothes and frozen food. This has been arranged by the University and is at no additional cost to students.

More information is available at www.solent.ac.uk/accommodation.or www.endsleigh.co.uk





We are committed to protecting our environment and have targeted a 33% reduction in direct co2 emissions by 2020. We actively encourage students to recycle through Residence-wide recycling initiatives and the Student Champions.

The Residences use only energy saving lighting and, where practically possible, timers are in place to discourage unnecessary power usage. We actively encourage all our residents to switch off all lighting and heating equipment when not required.

The Student Residences participate in the student switch off campaign (www.studentswitchoff.co.uk), which aims to encourage students to save energy while living in Residences.

The Residences also have an active recycling programme through our contractor Biffa. Recycling is easy to do with one container for all your recyclables, so there's no need to sort it into separate bins.

Our annual Green Week takes place every February, during which time all students are encouraged to participate in the events and entertainment on show. Last year's Green Week involved a wide range of actions which have resulted in a 38 place improvement in our "People and Planet Green League" position.

As part of our commitment to the local community and to help reduce our waste, we have developed strong links with a local charity, SCRATCH (Southampton City and Region Action to Combat Hardship). This enables students to donate any unwanted items when they move out of accommodation, and the University also donates unwanted bedding, duvets and pillows.

We are committed to Fairtrade and have been awarded Fairtrade University status by the Fairtrade Foundation, helping to guarantee that disadvantaged producers in the developing world get a fairer deal.

















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