

This worksheet lists utilities, amenities, and services that are included as part of on-campus housing at Carnegie Mellon University. The column on the right will help you budget for these items, which may be expenses not included in your off-campus monthly rent.

## ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

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UTILITIES



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



WATER/SEWAGE



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



INTERNET/CABLE



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



LAUNDRY



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



COMMUTING



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



TRASH/RECYCLING



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



FITNESS FACILITIES



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



FURNISHINGS



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



SAFETY/SECURITY



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



TUTORING



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



MAINTENANCE



\$ \_\_\_\_\_



CLEANING SERVICE



\$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Important Questions to Ask before Moving Off Campus

The list of questions below can prevent you from incurring unforeseen or hidden costs and from having issues or problems with the lease you sign.

## Rent & Additional Costs

- Is there an application or holding fee? If yes, what is the cost?
- What utilities are included in the rent?
- How much is the security deposit?
- When is the rent due?

## Leases & Landlords

- In case you plan to study abroad for part of the school year or summer, are variable lease options available (six, nine, or 12 months)?
- Is individual lease liability offered?
- How many people is this unit legally zoned for?  
(In the city of Pittsburgh, it is illegal for more than three unrelated individuals to live together in a residential dwelling.)
- Do you have a rental license on file with the city of Oakland?
- Will I be able to sublet my unit in the summer or for study abroad?
- Have you contacted the landlord's references? Is he/she reputable?

## Repairs & Maintenance

- Will any repairs be made to the unit prior to move in?
- How quickly do you make repairs when there is a work request or maintenance issue?
- Do you take before and after pictures to help guarantee I get my security deposit back?

## Amenities

- What type of security does the building offer?
- What is offered for parking?
- What appliances are provided and how old/new are they?
- Who is responsible for yard maintenance and snow removal?

If you are definitely moving off campus next year, make sure to take advantage of the Housing Services off-campus housing website at <https://offcampus.housing.cmu.edu/>.