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**On Campus or Off Campus Living? Making the Right Choice for You!**

Choosing the living experience which fits your personal needs and interests is one of the most important decisions made while in college. The decision is deeply personal and reflects what you feel you need in order to continue your education, graduate and be prepared to enter your chosen career field.

Many students choose to live on campus for their first two years prior to transitioning off-campus. Some students choose to stay on campus all four years. The purpose of this resource sheet is to provide you with information about the type of housing facilities and support services available to you as a Stanislaus State student within the local Turlock Community.

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| **Academic Success Support** | **On Campus University Student Housing** | **Off-Campus Private Apartments with Student Housing** | **Off-Campus Apartments** |
| Purposely designed help to graduate in 4 years |  |  |  |
| On-Site Academic Advisor |  |  |  |
| Assistance navigating university academic policies |  |  |  |
| Career exploration and Guidance |  |  |  |
| Career-focused skill development |  |  |  |
| Living -learning communities |  |  |  |
| Class-specific study groups |  |  |  |
| Study nights with free University tutors |  |  |  |
| Academic planner and student resource guide |  |  |  |
| Academic Peer Leaders assigned to every community |  |  |  |
| Workshops (time management, note taking, etc.) |  |  |  |
| Faculty-In-Residence program |  |  |  |

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| **Financial Information and Support** | **On Campus University Student Housing** | **Off-Campus Private Apartments with Student Housing** | **Off-Campus Apartments** |
| Deferred deposit (no out-of-pocket cost) |  |  |  |
| Credit review required for financial co-signers |  |  |  |
| Individual, per person leases |  |  |  |
| Single all-inclusive cost, including meal plan |  |  |  |
| Academic year contracts available |  |  |  |
| 12 month contracts available |  |  |  |
| Payments received directly through Financial Aid |  |  |  |
| Custom payment arrangements available |  |  |  |
| Low cost housing option available (room sharing) |  |  |  |
| College cost and planning resources |  |  |  |
| Meal plan included with cost |  |  |  |
| Budget and money management workshops |  |  |  |
| Personal referrals to campus resources |  |  |  |
| On-site staff to assist with financial inquiries beyond basic housing questions (e.g. loans, scholarships, etc.) |  |  |  |

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| **COMMUNITY LIFE** | **On Campus University Student Housing** | **Off-Campus Private Apartments with Sudent Housing** | **Off-Campus Private Apartments** |
| Online roommate and room self-selection processes |  |  |  |
| Roommate matching option |  |  |  |
| Integration with University departments and services |  |  |  |
| Floor and community events |  |  |  |
| Off-campus student trips |  |  |  |
| Free entrance to campus Music & Theater events |  |  |  |
| Support with roommate conflict |  |  |  |
| Room switches available |  |  |  |
| Equipment available to check-out (e.g. vacuum) |  |  |  |
| On-site wellness and emergency support |  |  |  |
| Live-on professional staff member on-site |  |  |  |
| Resident/Community Assistants in every community |  |  |  |
| Community living standards |  |  |  |
| Community conduct expectations |  |  |  |

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| **FACILITIES** | **On Campus University Student Housing** | **Off-Campus Private Apartments with Student Housing** | **Off-Campus Apartments** |
| Community Center/Club House |  |  |  |
| Fitness Center |  |  |  |
| Furnished rooms (bed, desk, dresser, chair, etc) |  |  |  |
| Free laundry |  |  |  |
| In-room appliances (microwave, stove, etc.) |  |  |  |
| Hardline and WiFi Internet included |  |  |  |
| All utilities Included |  |  |  |
| TV cable included |  |  |  |
| Electronic door locks |  |  |  |
| Gated facility |  |  |  |
| Security patrols by Police Officers |  |  |  |
| Emergency blue light call system |  |  |  |
| Outdoor recreation areas (e.g. basketball, volleyball) |  |  |  |
| Pool and spa |  |  |  |
| On-site maintenance Support |  |  |  |
| Courtesy room cleaning |  |  |  |

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