

Off Campus Housing

Read the following information carefully in order to make your decision. If you choose to live ON-campus, a room will be guaranteed and reserved. If you chose to live OFF-campus, it is your responsibility to secure your housing. NO room will be reserved for you in the Residence Halls. ALL Millersville University freshman and any students with fewer than 60 credits **must** live on campus.

Off campus housing options:

1. Immerse International: (<http://www.immerse-us.com/>)

A multicultural community where international students can thrive in personal relationships, professional development and spiritual formation founded in 1987. They are not officially part of Millersville University, but work closely with many MU offices such as Global Ed.

- **DETAILS:** Most rooms are double occupancy. A limited number of single rooms are available. The leases are for 12 months but shorter terms can be arranged upon request. 25% of the residents are American students that have expressed interest in making friendships with internationals.
- Many international individuals including students live at Immerse. If you are interested in pursuing this option, contact Global Education so we can connect you with our contacts there.

NOTE: All past participants who have lived at Immerse have greatly enjoyed the experience. Please note that Immerse is a conservative organization connected with religious/spiritual values and they have some guidelines within the houses which may or may not suit your personal preferences. When deciding if Immerse is a good fit for you, please be sure to review the Frequently Asked Questions section of their website: <http://www.immerse-us.com/frequently-asked-questions>.

“Immerse is an opportunity for International Students to make their stay in the United States an unforgettable experience... Immerse is the perfect surrounding to feel at home far away from home...there is always a quiet place as well as fun activities going on. This house provides completely furnished shared bed rooms (even with pillows and blankets), an excellent cook and lovely caring staff who are always there for you with helping hands or open ears. Immerse is also an affordable alternative to living on campus or in an apartment. All in all you will not regret choosing this place to live - for me it was one of the best decisions of my life.”

—Testimony from a past participant who lived at Immerse

2. Apartments*

There are a number of shared local apartments within walking distance to Millersville’s campus. If you decide that you wish to live in an apartment, you will be responsible for contacting your landlord, arranging your deposit payment which will be due before you arrive in the US, your check-in day, obtaining furniture, finding roommates, etc.

Student Lodging, Inc. (<http://www.studentlodginginc.com/>) is the only off campus housing that is affiliated with Millersville University. Students also find other apartments in the area not linked to Student Lodging Inc. Keep in mind that these apartments are all **unfurnished** so you would be responsible for purchasing and transporting furniture once you arrive.

- **Meals:** if you are in the apartments you will be responsible for cooking meals on your own. If you would like, you may purchase an MU meal for commuting students so that you wouldn’t have to cook every meal and you could grab meals on campus in-between classes, to eat with friends, etc. Many past students have purchased commuter meal plans. If living off campus, a student is considered a commuting student since they need to drive or walk to get to campus.
- If you chose to live off campus and you wish to purchase a meal plan, you need to let Global Education know so we can assist you closer to the start of the semester in adding a plan to your university account.

***NOTE:** A room **will not** be reserved for you in the **on-campus Residence Hall** as a backup option if your apartment arrangements do not go as planned.