Housing Search
Self Quiz

Before looking for your first apartment, ask yourself these questions:

1. Do I want roommates?
   □ No
   □ Yes
     □ How many? ______
     □ What type of lease do you look for?
       □ Individual leases
       □ One joint lease

2. Where do I want live?
   □ House
   □ Row house
   □ Townhouse
   □ Apartment Complex
   □ Apartment Building
   □ Converted Warehouse/Building

3. How far away is TOO far away?
   □ A couple of blocks
   □ 5 or 6 blocks
   □ 10+ blocks
   □ 1 mile
   □ 2 miles
   □ Doesn’t matter – I’ll drive

4. How will I get around (class, work, gym, grocery store)?
   □ Drive
   □ Bus
   □ Bike
   □ Carpool
   □ Walk

5. How much do I want to spend a month?
   _______ On rent
   _______ On utilities (electricity, water, gas, oil)
   _______ On extras (phone, cable, internet, renters insurance)
   _______ On transportation (parking pass, gas, insurance)
   _______ On food (groceries, dining out, household items)

6. What do I need to live comfortably?
   □ Large bedroom
   □ Large common areas
   □ Private Bathroom
   □ Dishwasher in the unit
   □ Washer and dryer in the unit
   □ Laundry in the building
   □ Laundromat (no more than ___ blocks away)
   □ Grocery store (no more than ___ blocks away)
   □ Coffee shop (no more than ___ blocks away)
   □ Gym (no more than ___ blocks away)
   □ Near a bus stop (no more than ___ blocks away)
   □ Parking available off-street
   □ Pets allowed
   □ Ability to sublease/relet the unit, if needed
   □ Other: __________________

7. When do I need to move in by (a few days/week prior to first day of classes, first day of work)?
   _____ / _____ / _____

8. When do I want to move out by (a few days/weeks after finals, last day of work)?
   _____ / _____ / _____

Anything else you thought of while filling out this sheet? Write it here to remind yourself for later...

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