

Apartment Search Overview

Property Address: _____

COST

How much is the rent? _____
How much is the security deposit? _____
Are utilities included? _____
If not, what will they cost? _____
Is the apartment furnished? _____
Is pest extermination included? _____
Any other move-in/monthly fees? _____

PROPERTY OWNER

Is the property owner generally available? _____
Will they respond promptly? _____
Who is responsible for maintenance? _____

SECURITY

Are the door locks adequate? _____
Will the locks be changed? _____
Are there locks on the windows? _____
Are the hallways/outside entrances lit? _____
Is there a buzzer or intercom system? _____
Is there a peephole in the door? _____
Is there an alarm system/security? _____
Are the smoke detectors working? _____
Is there a fire escape? _____

KITCHEN

Is it large enough to eat in? _____
Does the faucet work? _____
Does the sink drain? _____
Do the burners and over work properly? _____
Are there adequate cabinets/countertops? _____
Is the floor in good condition? _____
Is there a vent fan? _____
Is there a dishwasher? _____
Is there a garbage disposal? _____
Is the refrigerator/freezer large enough? _____

COMFORT

What floor level is the apartment on? _____
Is it within walking distance to campus? _____
Are there laundry facilities on premises? _____
Is the apartment near a streetcar stop? _____
Is the apartment near a bus line? _____
Is there a grocery store nearby? _____

GENERAL

What is the condition of the building? _____
Are there water stains on ceilings/walls? _____
Can I hear the neighbors? _____
Are there signs of mice or pests? _____
Is there adequate closet space? _____
Can the mailbox be locked? _____
Are pets allowed? _____
Is there trash/recycling service? _____
How far above/below sea level is the unit? _____
Is there any outdoor space? _____

AIR CONDITIONING

Can I control the air conditioning? _____
Is the unit insulated? _____
Are there storm windows? _____
Are there ceiling fans or a/c units? _____

BATHROOM & PLUMBING

Do the faucets leak? _____
Is the shower tall/large enough? _____
Is there a medicine cabinet? _____
Are there mirrors? _____
Towel racks? _____
Toilet tissue holder? _____
Is there sufficient lighting? _____
Is there a vent fan? _____
Are the electrical outlets usable/safe? _____
Is there adequate water pressure? _____
Does each apt. have a hot water tank? _____
How big is the tank? _____

**10 gallons per person recommended*

ELECTRICAL

Do all the outlets and light switches work? _____
Are the outlets grounded in each room? _____
Is the circuit breaker/fuse box accessible? _____

NEIGHBORHOOD

Is the building on a main street? _____
How close is a police/fire station? _____
Do I feel safe here during the day? _____
Do I feel safe here at night? _____
Will I be happy living here? _____