We are delighted that you have chosen to study at the University of Portsmouth. The city is a great place to be a student, with all the appeal of a vibrant city alongside four miles of beach and extensive green spaces. Portsmouth is very compact so it’s easy to find accommodation within a reasonable distance of where you will study, shop and spend your leisure time.

As a new student at Portsmouth, you will either live in halls of residence or within the local community in private rented accommodation.

For most of you, coming to university will be your first experience of living away from home. This brochure will help you decide which type of accommodation would be best for you. It includes details of all our halls of residence as well as information about private rented accommodation. Whatever you decide, we are here to help you secure your preferred accommodation choice. If your preferred choice is not available, we are here to help you find a suitable alternative.

Finding the right place to live is very important and, wherever you choose to stay, the Student Housing team will be on hand to help you make the right choice.

Where you choose to live will depend on the experience you’re looking for, your budget and how independent you want to be.

YOUR ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS
We know that finding the right type of accommodation is very important. We have options to suit everyone, these include:

HALLS OF RESIDENCE
Self-catering, part-catered and fully catered halls of residence in Guildhall, Rees/Burrell and Langstone Student Village.

PRIVATELY RENTED SHARED HOUSES AND FLATS
Privately owned and managed accommodation for students (where the landlord does not live on the premises) that vary in terms of price ranges, sizes and location.

LODGINGS
Rooms rented in private houses where the landlord lives on the premises.

The University is working closely with Unite Students and allocate four halls on their behalf. The properties are high quality, self-catered and have a choice of studio and en suite rooms.
Our Student Housing team is available to help you through the process of securing your accommodation. As well as allocating places in halls to our students, we also offer house-hunting advice and support, and host a number of events to help you find a place in private rented accommodation for the duration of your study.

LOCATIONS
There are many student-friendly areas to live in Portsmouth, whether you are in halls of residence or in private rented accommodation.

On the map opposite you can see the route (in red) that our free University bus takes, which all our students benefit from.

The map also shows where our halls of residence are located as well as the most popular student areas.

Southsea and Fratton are popular with students due to their proximity to the campus. Much of the student accommodation in these areas is within walking distance of the campus, with good cycling links and use of the free University bus service. These areas offer a wide range of facilities, such as supermarkets, launderettes and banks, as well as a number of specialist shops and department stores. Southsea is the main focus for the majority of the nightlife, with a variety of cafés, pubs, wine bars, restaurants and nightclubs. Gunwharf Quays is also a short walk or taxi ride away.

Eastney, Milton, North End and Hilsea are located to the east and north of Southsea and Fratton. They are in easy reach of the University thanks to the excellent public transport links in the city, as well as good cycling routes.

Drayton, Farlington and Cosham are located to the north of the city. These areas are well served by public transport links (it is a seven-minute train ride from Cosham to Portsmouth), with good value accommodation to be found.

Fareham and Gosport are located to the west of Portsmouth, with direct public transport links into Portsmouth. Gosport is linked to Gunwharf Quays by a five-minute ferry ride (and you can take your bike on board), while the central Fareham train station is around a fifteen-minute ride into Portsmouth and Southsea city centre station.

FACEBOOK
If you are concerned that you won’t know anyone before you arrive, join our Facebook groups to meet like-minded people who you may want to share a house with. Many students have successfully met potential housemates through our official Facebook groups.

TWITTER
Our Twitter account, @UoPHousing, is a great place to get in touch and ask our team any questions you may have.

HOUSING EVENTS
We organise a number of house hunting support events throughout the summer, to enable you to meet other students looking for accommodation and help get you started with house-hunting. Prior to the event you will be given access to a dedicated Facebook group and a student-to-student message board, on which you can link up with like-minded people and read adverts from people wanting to fill a vacancy in their house/flat, for example. On the day, our team will be on hand to support you through the process, providing transport to get to viewings, a list of our registered landlords and a contract checking service. Further details on the events held this summer will be sent to you closer to the time.

HOUSE-HUNTING PORTAL
All new first-year students looking to secure a room in private rented accommodation will be given access to our secure online resource, the house-hunting portal, which:
• offers house-hunting advice and support
• gives you access to our up-to-date private sector room/house vacancies
• allows you to book on to one of our housing support events
• suggests ways for you to meet like-minded people prior to coming to University
Students living within the city have access to a dedicated student support team. They assist students with community living and offer a confidential service, providing help should any difficulties arise.

Our Student Housing team can help you find suitable private rented accommodation.

PRIVATE RENTED ACCOMMODATION

LIVING AS PART OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

Portsmouth is a compact city and everything that you could possibly need, such as the main shopping areas, transport links, key University buildings, nightlife and the seafront, are just a stone’s throw away from each other. This makes living in private rented accommodation a brilliant alternative to halls, and suitable for most students’ needs. Sharing a house or lodgings gives you the opportunity to live with other students of your choice and with similar interests.

Some students will find their own accommodation in Portsmouth – there is a wealth of accommodation around the city and the surrounding areas. Finding the right place to live is very important and we will support and assist you every step of the way. Read about the types of accommodation available and ways we can help you to find your new student home.

In the private rented sector you are able to choose your location, type of accommodation, budget and your housemates.

www.port.ac.uk
This type of accommodation makes up the majority of student housing in Portsmouth. It is typical for students to rent houses in groups of three to five, although some smaller or larger properties are available.

The Student Housing team continuously monitors the standards of properties advertised: in all cases we must receive a copy of the gas safety certificate for any gas appliances on the property and all registered properties should meet our criteria for safety, facilities, location and decorative order.

We publish information on shared houses, flats and lodgings registered for advertising with the University through www.portsmouthstudentpad.co.uk. There is also our Facebook group, 'University of Portsmouth Student Housing' for students to advertise their vacancies in shared houses or lodgings. A full programme of housing support events will also be sent to students who have not been allocated a place in University accommodation from July onwards.

Please note: Shared student properties advertised with us are not always inspected by us, however we liaise with Portsmouth City Council to make sure it complies with their regulations.

WHAT IS IN A TYPICAL SHARED HOUSE?

Students living in a privately rented house would usually be sharing the communal areas such as the lounge, diner, kitchen and bathroom facilities. Each student will have their own fully furnished bedroom which vary in size.

COSTS

For guidance the approximate weekly charges in Portsmouth for lodgings are:

- Room only (with use of kitchen): £75–95 per week.
- Half board (bed, breakfast and evening meal): £85–£110 per week.

COSTS

The average rental for a room in a four bedroom house in Southsea/Fratton is:

- £80–£95 per week – exclusive of all bills.
- £90–£100 per week – inclusive of all bills.
SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

SINGLE-SEX ACCOMMODATION
You can still live in single-sex accommodation whilst sharing a house by finding students with similar requirements. Alternatively, if you are interested in living in lodgings, some landlords may specify their preferences on our website.

QUIETER LOCATION
Residential areas tend to be quieter and you and your housemates can create a peaceful environment in your home, wherever you choose to live.

POSTGRADUATE AND MATURE STUDENTS
Students who wish to live with other postgraduate and mature students will be given access to a dedicated Facebook group to find like-minded potential flatmates, and share their house-hunting experiences.

DEPENDANTS
We strongly advise any student with dependants to come to Portsmouth to secure accommodation before moving them to the area. Please contact the Student Housing team for further information.

ACCESSIBLE ROOMS
Due to the layout of the terraced houses in Portsmouth, the majority of the houses within the city are not able to provide accessible rooms. However, if you would like more guidance and support to find suitable accommodation, please contact the Student Housing team. Also, please contact the Additional Support and Disability Advice Centre (ASDAC) at asdac@port.ac.uk and they will discuss available options with you and liaise with the Student Housing team as appropriate.

STUDENTS WITH PETS
The majority of private accommodation does not allow pets; however permission to bring a pet to the property is at the landlord’s discretion and you would need to discuss this aspect with them before making a decision.

STUDENT SUPPORT MANAGERS
Students living in the private sector are able to access the Student Support Managers based in the Guildhall halls of residence, who are available to offer advice and support on a range of issues and help with the transition to University.

CAR PARKING
We strongly recommend that students do not bring their own car to the city. However, if it is necessary, please check on the City Council website for details and restrictions on the car parks and the residential parking places around main student areas. We also recommend that students check with their landlord or letting agent whether the property has a designated parking place and the prices for a parking permit.

Many of our halls of residence are within walking distance and those that aren’t benefit from a free bus service to and from the University quarter.

LANGSTONE STUDENT VILLAGE (PART-CATERED AND SELF-CATERED)
Our student village is situated two and a half miles from the city campus, overlooking Langstone Harbour. There is a free University bus service that links the Langstone campus to the city campus in just 15 minutes.

• Trust Hall
• Langstone Flats
• QEGM

SOUTHSEA (CATERED)
These two halls are close to Southsea Common and the seaside and in close proximity to the University quarter, Students’ Union and sports facilities.

• Burrell House
• Rees Hall

GUILDFORD HALLS (SELF-CATERED)
These halls are close to the University quarter, including the Students’ Union and the sports facilities.

• Bateson Hall
• Harry Law Hall
• Greetham Street Hall (Unite Students’ building)
• Margaret Rule Hall (Unite Students’ building)
• Trafalgar Hall (Unite Students’ building)
• James Watson Hall (Unite Students’ building)

SHARED OR EN SUITE BATHROOM?
There are two types of bathroom facilities for you to choose between: shared and en suite.

At Portsmouth we offer a wide range of accommodation options to suit most lifestyles, budgets and catering preference. Our halls of residence are in three main locations and each has its own distinctive character, offering a safe and secure environment in which to study, socialise and relax. With around 9,800 hall rooms, there is a real mix of new and old, en suite, shared bathroom facilities, catered and self-catered to choose from.

Shared facilities: adequate shower rooms and toilet facilities are provided per flat or corridor. These are cleaned daily.

En suite facilities: each room has a private shower, basin and toilet.

STUDIO FLATS
The studio flats offer self-contained accommodation. These are prioritised for postgraduate students, depending on demand and availability. The studio flats have a single bedroom with en suite kitchenette (with a two-ring hob, microwave, small larder fridge and sink) and en suite toilet and shower facilities. Studio rooms are available for allocation through the University in James Watson, Margaret Rule, Harry Law and Trafalgar Hall. For more details regarding Unite Students studios at Greetham Street visit www.unite-students.com/portsmouth.

WHAT IS IN A TYPICAL BEDROOM?
A typical hall bedroom is furnished with a single bed, study desk, chair, drawers, wardrobe, noticeboard, electrical sockets and WiFi access. You can view room interiors at www.port.ac.uk/accommodation.

WHAT ELSE IS INCLUDED IN THE ACCOMMODATION FEES?
• free WiFi
• Freewire channels using Freewire TV through your PC or laptop (additional TV licence required), with the option of subscribing to more for a small fee
• dedicated student support team
• pay-as-you-go launderette facilities
• basic insurance cover
• utility services – gas, electricity, water
CATERED ACCOMMODATION

We have catered halls in Southsea or Langstone Student Village. The catered option provides breakfast and a two-course dinner with a wide choice of dishes every day, prepared from Fairtrade, quality ingredients by our professional chefs. Our restaurants offer good quality food and hassle-free meals, so there’ll be no need to cook after a busy day.

Benefits of catered halls:

- It is a social hub
- Enables you to budget better
- All meal costs are included in your rent (eight meals a week if part-catered; 14 meals a week if fully-catered)
- There is a flexible, part-catered option if you want to get the best of both worlds (only available at the QEQM Hall at the Langstone Student Village)
- Breakfast and dinner are provided Monday to Friday (term time only)
- Breakfast and lunch are provided Saturday and Sunday (term time only)
- Generous portions are served at each meal, with plenty of choice on the menu
- All menus include a daily vegetarian option and we can cater for most dietary requirements
- Meals are served during a two to three-hour period to make sure it suits your timetable

CATERED HALLS AT LANGSTONE

For those wanting flexibility in their catering options, QEQM Hall offers the convenience and assurance of having eight main meals provided per week in the basic package, with the option to buy more meals if you want. Students living in Trust Hall or Langstone Flats can also buy meals in the restaurant at Langstone Student Village, as well as books of meal tickets in advance.

Catered accommodation at Portsmouth comes in either flat or corridor-style rooms with either en suite or shared bathroom facilities, for the real ‘home away from home’ experience.

Self-catered accommodation is a good option if you love cooking and want to be in charge of what you eat and when. Experience of cooking, sharing kitchen responsibilities and respecting each other’s space are valuable life skills and preparation for the second year when you will move into private houses.

You will have the freedom and flexibility to make your own meals whenever you like in your fully fitted kitchen. There are plenty of grocery stores close by as well as cafes, takeaways and restaurants, some offering student discounts.

Our Student Finance team advise that you budget between £35–40 per week for your food and household costs in self-catered accommodation. Visit www.port.ac.uk/money for some great tips on budgeting if this is your first time living away from home and you will now be doing your own shopping!

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Postgraduate and Mature Students
Postgraduate and mature students have further options to consider. Trafalgar Studios are prioritised for postgraduate students, depending upon demand and availability. Individual flats in the halls can also be allocated for postgraduate and mature students, depending upon demand. Please specify on your application form if this type of accommodation is required and we will do our best to meet your request.

Dependants
Rooms in halls of residence are allocated for single occupancy (with the exception of some twin rooms). Students with dependants are advised to contact Student Housing for information on the latest availability of accommodation in the private rented sector or at Langstone Student Village, which may be suitable for families. Please note that there is no accommodation suitable for students with dependants in the Guildhall or Rees/Burrell locations. We strongly advise any student with dependants to come to Portsmouth to secure accommodation before moving them to the area.

Accessible Rooms
The University aims to take into account the needs of all students with disabilities and health conditions. We ask that you voluntarily specify if you have any mobility-limited impairments that may impact upon your ability to evacuate from upper floors in an emergency, please advise us so that we can provide you with suitable accommodation. Please contact the Additional Support and Disability Advice Centre (ASDAC) at asdac@port.ac.uk in the first instance, and they will discuss available options with you and liaise with Student Housing as appropriate.

Twin Rooms
A very limited number of shared bathroom and studio twin study bedroom facilities are available in selected hall locations. Applicants considering this option due to the cost benefits should be mindful of the implications of sharing a study bedroom and be sure that they will be content to share close personal space with another person for the duration of the academic year. Where a hall room is let on a twin basis, the accommodation fee will be adjusted so that each occupant is only paying 65 per cent of the normal single-let rate.

Some twin rooms will have two combination ‘study beds’, which combine single bed and personal study desk space. The study bed is specially designed to offer daytime use as a study desk and then neatly folds away to offer a standard single bed for sleeping. Due to space restrictions, some rooms will have limited storage for suitcases; however, each study bed does incorporate unlocked, personal storage space for books and personal possessions.

Priority for these rooms will be given to students who already know someone they wish to share with and where both parties have indicated this on their applications.

Temporary Room Share
Some rooms are larger in size than the typical standard rooms. Therefore at the beginning of the term we may ask you to assist us to house another student on a temporary basis for a short period of time. If you have been allocated to this type of room we will be giving you further details on the terms and conditions of the temporary room share.

Living as Part of a Hall Community
When allocating the rooms and flats in University accommodation, we aim to create mixed, integrated communities. The benefits of this include the opportunity to live with students of different ages, cultures and backgrounds.

However, it is important to realise that at times, living with many different people can naturally be vibrant and lively. We ask all our students to live harmoniously, with consideration and respect towards their fellow hall residents and the local community.

Each of the hall bases has its own student support team to assist students with community living. They offer a confidential service and provide help and assistance should any difficulties arise.

Living in halls is not going to be the same as living at home and that’s going to take some adjustment. You will meet new people, go to new places and learn a whole new way of looking at things. Be prepared to adjust your views and open your mind.
Rees and Burrell are situated close to the seafront and Southsea's facilities. Rees Hall overlooks Southsea Common and the Solent, with Burrell House located just behind within close walking distance. Both offer excellent community living for their 397 residents.

Some of the rooms enjoy stunning sea views
Great communal area
Very popular with students

Rees Hall
Catered, En Suite
Cost
Standard room: £6,200 per academic year (£155 per week)

Burrell House
Catered, Shared Bathroom
Cost
Standard room: £4,400 per academic year (£110 per week)

The University buildings, Students’ Union, sports facilities and city centre are all within easy walking distance. Students in both halls share the dining facilities (where all meals are taken), laundrette area and main reception, all located in Rees Hall.
All accommodation has access to a computer suite, laundry facilities and restaurants.

Whether you choose the part-catered option or self-catered accommodation, you can still make the most of our on-site restaurant.

Langstone Student Village is situated on the edge of Langstone Harbour and comprises 605 rooms across three halls of residence, offering self-catering and flexible catering options. It is also home to the University sports fields.

If you want to live in halls with the opportunity of escaping the hectic nature of the city life, this is the place for you as it offers a more relaxed community environment. This student-only campus has its own social area, IT suite and designated car parking facilities (further details on car parking facilities can be found on page 12). With a free regular University bus service taking just 15 minutes to link you to the city centre and Guildhall area, this hall base can give you the best of both worlds.

**QEQM**

**PART-CATERED, EN SUITE**

Cost

£4,200 per academic year (£105 per week)

**LANGSTONE FLATS**

**SELF-CATERED, EN SUITE**

Cost

£4,240 per academic year (£106 per week)

**TRUST HALL**

**SELF-CATERED, SHARED BATHROOM**

Cost

£3,480–3,520 per academic year (£87–£88 per week)
UNITE STUDENTS’ BUILDINGS
We work closely with Unite Students to provide some accommodation for our students. We will be processing applications for four buildings managed by Unite Students and details on your allocation and further correspondence regarding your contract will be sent to you directly by them. Please note: if you are allocated a place in one of these four halls, your accommodation contractual obligations will be with Unite Students. All the accommodation provided is high quality and self-catered, with en suite facilities.

GUILDHALL HALLS

These halls are located at the heart of the city’s vibrant and bustling entertainment area and are conveniently situated for the main shopping centres as well.

The Guildhall Halls comprise 2,700 rooms across six halls, offering self-catering facilities only with a mix of en suite and shared bathroom facilities.

The flats come as a mixture of purpose-built developments or older, renovated buildings that are specifically developed with students in mind. Most flats house between four to ten students, while others retain the traditional corridor-style accommodation.

Each hall has its own unique atmosphere and is close to the majority of University buildings, Students’ Union and sports facilities.

UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH BUILDINGS

BATESON HALL
SELF-CATERED, SHARED BATHROOM
Cost
Standard room: £3,520 per academic year (£88 per week)
Large room: £3,960 per academic year (£99 per week)

HARRY LAW HALL
SELF-CATERED, EN SUITE
Cost
Standard room: £4,880 per academic year (£122 per week)
Studio room: £5,480 per academic year (£137 per week)

UNITE STUDENTS’ BUILDINGS

SELF-CATERED, EN SUITE

GREETHAM STREET HALL
Cost
Standard room: £5,640–£5,840 per academic year (£141–£146 per week)

JAMES WATSON HALL
Cost
Standard room: £5,040 per academic year (£126 per week)
Studio room: £5,480 per academic year (£137 per week)
One bedroom flat: £5,480 per academic year (£137 per week)

MARGARET RULE HALL
Cost
Standard room: £5,240 per academic year (£131 per week)
Studio room: £5,680 per academic year (£142 per week)

TRAfalgar HALL
Cost
Standard room: £4,680 per academic year (£117 per week)
Studio room: £5,480 per academic year (£137 per week)
HOW TO APPLY

1. Read the information in this brochure carefully and decide on the type of accommodation you wish to apply for.
2. Please follow the instructions detailed in the covering letter or email sent with this brochure on how to access the online application form. If you do not have internet access, please contact Student Housing for a paper form.
3. When completing the application form, please check that the information provided on the form is current and correct, especially your email address, and make any necessary amendments.
4. Indicate clearly on the application form which type of accommodation you wish to apply for, taking the following into account:

HALLS OF RESIDENCE OR PRIVATE RENTED ACCOMMODATION

There are two sections on the form under accommodation requirements: private rented accommodation and halls of residence. You should select either private rented accommodation or indicate your preferences for halls of residence. There is no need to complete both sections. If you apply for a halls of residence room and we cannot offer you one of your choices, we will automatically send you information about finding private rented accommodation.

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS IN UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH HALLS

It is vital that you familiarise yourself with the information provided for each type of halls of residence, including the costs, facilities and occupancy periods as detailed in this brochure. Under normal circumstances, we will only make one offer of accommodation and if you accept that offer, you will be responsible for paying the fees for the entire occupancy period, unless you leave because you have withdrawn from the University. Transfers between halls during the year are not usually possible.

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS IN UNITE STUDENTS’ BUILDINGS

Although the University of Portsmouth is processing applications for Unite Students’ buildings, all contractual obligations for students allocated to these halls will be directly with Unite Students. If successful in either James Watson, Margaret Rules, Trafalgar Hall or Greetham Street Hall, Unite Students will be sending information on the room offer, deposit and contractual obligations, how to secure the booking and other relevant details.

TWIN ROOMS

Please note: if you accept a twin room and your twin sharer declines their offer, then you must agree to take on the room at the full single rate.

5. If you apply for halls of residence, you should indicate your choice of room type in order of preference and your preferred location. You should only apply for types of accommodation that you are willing to accept (and for the entire contractual period of 40 weeks), as we usually only make one offer of a room per student. We would like to make you aware that some types of room, particularly in the Guildhall area, are very popular and can be oversubscribed. It is advisable to be flexible with your choices and to make as many choices as possible to increase your chance of being offered a halls of residence room. If we are unable to offer you any of your preferences, we will send you details of how to find private rented accommodation.

If you apply for halls, please also consider the following:

OCCUPANCY

All rooms are for single occupancy (except for the limited number of twin rooms as detailed under specific requirements on page 15) and are allocated for the full academic year. The session fee relates to this period of time and is for approximately 40 weeks. If your course duration is different in length, for example, if it is only for one term, or it starts and finishes outside the standard dates, we may still be able to offer you a hall place, but may have to restrict the choices available to you for operational reasons. Students requiring accommodation outside these dates should contact Student Housing for details of summer accommodation options.

You can use your room during the Christmas and Easter vacations – there is no need to clear your room or move out. Meals are not provided in catered halls during vacations, but self-catering facilities are available instead. The fee charged reflects this change.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

If you have any specific requirements, please indicate this on your application and if necessary send in any supporting documents.

6. Once you have completed the application form, please check it and return it to Student Housing without delay following the instructions online.

Please note:

• Due to data protection legislation, we are not able to discuss your accommodation application or allocation information with anyone other than you. Please note: we can only give general information to third parties (for example, parents and guardians).

• If you would like someone to complete your application or act on your behalf with regards to your application, please provide Student Housing with written permission authorising this at the time of returning your completed accommodation application.

Please note: in all instances we aim to offer you your highest available preference at the time of your application, within faculty quotas.

OUR ALLOCATION POLICY

HALLS OF RESIDENCE ACCOMMODATION 2016/2017 ENTRY

At the University of Portsmouth we are happy to offer a room to at least 90 per cent of new full-time UK and EU students who make the University of Portsmouth their first choice university. New full-time UK and EU students applying for September 2016 entry will become eligible to apply for halls of residence once they have offered accepted an offer to study at the University.

Accommodation packs will be sent out on a weekly basis from late March to September as applications firmly accept a place to study at Portsmouth.

Places in halls of residence will be allocated in line with faculty quotas*, based on order of receipt of accommodation application forms in Student Housing.

Applicants are therefore encouraged to submit an accommodation application form at the earliest opportunity.

Where possible, applicants will be allocated their highest available preference of accommodation, subject to availability.

Applicants to whom we are unable to offer a place in halls of residence due to faculty quotas becoming full, will be given general advice on finding private rented accommodation through online resources and housing support events held throughout the summer (see page 3).

New full-time international (non-EU) students are guaranteed a place in halls of residence for their first year as long as they apply for accommodation by 1 August 2016. Application packs will be sent to international (non-EU) students once they have offered conditional offer with the University of Portsmouth, from March onwards.

*Exceptions to allocation policy

• Any students attending courses in Chichester (approximately 18 miles from Portsmouth) are advised to contact the Accommodation Office at the University of Chichester (01243 816 000) for assistance in securing more conveniently located accommodation in the Chichester area.

• Students coming for a single term have a separate allocation of places, which are allocated on a similar basis.

You can read and download the full allocation policy on our website: www.port.ac.uk/allocationpolicy.
**WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?**

We will notify you of the outcome of your accommodation application from July onwards. If we offer you a place in halls of residence, you will need to pay a £250 deposit to secure your place at that time. The deposit must be paid by the date specified on the offer, which is usually within 14 days of the offer being made. If it is not paid by the specified date, we reserve the right to cancel the offer, and in some circumstances this may be without further notice.

The hall fees deposit is credited to your accommodation fees account. Any student, who for any reason, does not intend to start their course of study at Portsmouth, must inform Student Housing in writing before 26 August 2016 in order for the deposit to be refunded in full. After this date, any refund (partial or full) that is due following cancellation before the start of occupancy is dependent upon if and when the room is re-let. Any other cancellations after 26 August must also be in writing and before the start of the occupancy.

If we are unable to offer you a place in halls of residence or if you indicate a preference for private rented accommodation, our Student Housing team is here to help you find the right student home. You will be sent a full programme of events from July onwards. Our help doesn’t stop there, we provide ongoing advice and support throughout the year to all of our students, to make sure that you are settled in Portsmouth.

**ACCOMMODATION PAYMENTS**

It is a precondition of the contractual agreement to pay £250 deposit to secure the booking, prior to moving into halls of residence. The amount will be held by the University for the duration of the accommodation agreement or by Unite Students for their tenancy agreement. The deposit is refundable at the end of the accommodation agreement period, less any sums owed to the University against which the deposit may be offset. Please note that the £250 deposit is an additional amount to the accommodation fees and cannot be paid by Direct Debit.

You can make payments and set up termly or monthly direct debit plans or instalments by credit/debit card at www.port.ac.uk/webpay.

For payment queries, please email income@port.ac.uk quoting your Student ID number.

Please note that all information relating to securing the room offer made and accommodation fees charges apply only to the University of Portsmouth halls of residence and excludes the Unite Students’ buildings. They will be able to provide more details regarding these when the offer of a room has been made to you.

**HOW THE STUDENT HOUSING TEAM CAN HELP YOU**

Student Housing offers an all-year-round support service that new and returning students can easily access. We are centrally located in the Nuffield Centre on the Guildhall Campus, which is where you will find most other student services.

As well as administering the allocation policy for halls of residence, including the allocation of hall places, we can advise and assist students on securing private rented accommodation for the remainder of their time at University.

This includes offering advice on the following issues:

- inter-tenant issues
- deposit disputes
- condensation and mould
- maintenance issues
- landlord management
- contract checking
- noise

Please do not hesitate to contact us during the year for advice on any accommodation issues.

**DISCLAIMER**

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