Welcome to the Residence Halls and Apartments!
We look forward to having you with us and hope that you will find your stay in the halls fun and academically rewarding.
Before You Arrive

Read all of the information in the 2015-2016 Student Housing License Agreement. Many frequently asked questions are answered in the License Agreement, including information about what to bring with you to the halls. You will be expected to follow the policies and regulations outlined in the License Agreement, so please read and refer to them as necessary throughout the year.

The 2015-2016 policies are available online on the Guide to Living in the Halls webpage.

Please also read the enclosed information about your residence hall assignment and move-in day instructions. Bring all of this information with you when you come to campus.

SDSU Identification Card

On move-in day students are required to present an official SDSUcard to check-in to their room and receive a key. Students who do not have an official SDSUCard will be directed to the SDSUcard Office to get a card before they are allowed to check-in. Learn more about how to obtain your SDSUcard at sdsucard.sdsu.edu.

An official SDSUcard is also required to use your meal plan, enter the residential community, use library services, obtain an email account, and much more. You may choose to set up SDSU Funds to use your card for laundry machines, Bookstore purchases, copying and printing in the library, and making purchases with Dining Services that supplement your meal plan.

You may have already picked up your SDSUcard during New Student Orientation. If not, stop by the SDSUcard Office located at Student Services West 2620 before you move in to your residential community. The SDSUcard Office hours for August 21st are 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

Please don’t forget that you will need to pay your $18 new card fee on-line. Go to www.sdsu.edu/sfs and click on "Online Student Account Services" to log in. Remember to bring a government issued ID (driver’s license, state ID, passport, or military ID) with you to the SDSUcard Office or you cannot be issued an SDSUcard. Sorry, no exceptions.
Services and Facilities to Help You Plan Your Move In

Cable TV Service
All on-campus facilities offer cable TV at no additional charge. Please bring your own television or contact your roommate(s) (if applicable) to coordinate who is bringing a television. No premium channels are included in this service.

Computers
SDSU provides wireless internet throughout the campus residence halls and apartments. Hard wired connections are not provided. If you are planning to bring your game console, make sure it has a wireless card. For the safety of our network, anti-virus software needs to be installed on your machine. We provide Microsoft Security Essential for Windows and McAfee Antivirus for Mac. To reduce risks we highly recommend uninstalling any file-sharing software (i.e., Bittorent, Ares, etc.) on your machine prior to moving in. Any commission of copyright infringement will result in termination of access and possible disciplinary action. Users will be charged $150 to restore their Internet access.

Cables TV Service
Cancellation
If you wish to cancel your Student Housing License Agreement, it is your responsibility to do so in writing per terms of the License Agreement. Cancellation charges will apply. Visit the Fees and Payments section on our website for more details. Please read the terms of your License Agreement to understand these conditions.

Vehicles and Parking Permits
If you wish to park on campus you must purchase a university parking permit from the University Cashier’s Office. Residence hall and apartment students must also purchase the student parking permit designated overnight (for $256 per semester) in order to park in student lots between the hours of 1 and 6 am. For students living in University Towers (UT), Tarastec, Zapotec, Granada and Piedra del Sol, there are a limited number of on-site, assigned parking spaces available. For additional information about parking at UT, Tarastec, Zapotec or Piedra del Sol, please refer to the Residence Hall/Apartment Assignment page at the end of this document.

Bike Lockers, Racks, and Storage Barn
You may obtain a bike locker or a space in the bike barn for bicycle storage. Bicycles are not allowed inside the residence halls or student apartments. Having your bicycle in storage is not a guarantee of security for your bike. We recommend that you do not bring a valuable bike to campus unless it is insured. The university is not liable for lost or stolen bicycles.

Emergency Preparedness
All residents are advised to have a family emergency plan. Each resident should maintain an emergency supply kit in his/her room consisting of a first aid kit, three-day supply of water, non-perishable food, battery operated radio and flashlight, extra batteries, gloves, and medications.

Meal Plans
Questions about your 2015-2016 SDSU Meal Plan?
Get information on all SDSU meal plans at www.eatatsdsu.com where you will find daily menus, information on special events, nutrition and more. You may also email questions to sdsudining@sdsu.edu or call 619-594-7640. All 2015-2016 SDSU meal plans begin on Friday, August 21. During move-in weekend, there will be several campus restaurants and Aztec Markets open and accepting meal plans, cash or credit.
Move-In Day

Please review the map and instructions on the following page and print a copy of the page to bring with you when you come to campus.

Friday, August 21

This exciting day will also be busy and hectic. There will be a lot of activity and traffic near each residential facility. When you arrive, you may have to wait in line to check in, get your key, and get to your specific unloading area. The weather will most likely be warm. Come prepared with water or other cold drinks.

Parent Meetings

There will be a Parent Meeting in each residential facility on Friday. Join your student’s residential staff at the following time(s):

- **Chapultepec**
  12 noon and 3 pm in the Cholula Community Center
- **Cuicacalli Suites** (Tacuba and Tepeyac)
  12 noon and 2 pm in the Cuicacalli Seminar Room
- **Maya and Olmeca Halls**
  11 am and 3 pm in the Tula Community Center
- **Tenochca Hall**
  10 am and 1 pm in the Tula Community Center
- **Granada**
  11 am and 2 pm in the SDSU Alumni Center
- **University Towers**
  10 am and 1 pm in the University Towers Seminar Room
- **Zapotoc**
  4 pm in the Cholula Community Center
- **Zura Hall**
  12 noon and 2 pm in the Tula Community Center

Break It Down: Cardboard Recycling

At SDSU, we are committed to using the resources available to us in ways that protect those resources for future generations. As part of that commitment, there will be a variety of sustainability programs in the residence halls and apartments during the year. The first will be Corrugated Cardboard Recycling at move-in. After you use your boxes, please break them down so they are flat and put them in the co-mingled trash dumpsters near your residential facility. The corrugated cardboard, along with other trash materials, will be recycled instead of dumped in a landfill. Please do your part and break it down! For more information about our sustainability efforts, visit [go.sdsu.edu/housing/sustainability.aspx](http://go.sdsu.edu/housing/sustainability.aspx).

Hand Trucks and Moving Carts

Bring a hand truck or moving cart to make moving belongings to your room easier. (Your family should take the cart home after move-in.) A limited number of carts and hand trucks will be available for use. To avoid having to wait for one, bring your own.

Parking for Move-in Day

For questions about parking during move-in, please see one of the parking or residential staff on site. During move-in there will be designated entrances and exits for many parking structures on campus.
Parking Map for the Residence Halls and Apartments on Move-in Day

**Villa Alvarado:**
From I-8, take College Avenue south and turn left on Canyon Crest/Alvarado Road. Park in C lot.

**University Towers:**
From I-8, take College Avenue South and turn right onto Montezuma Road. Turn right on 55th Street. Park in Parking Structure 5.

**Granada and Piedra del Sol:**
From I-8, take College Avenue South and turn right onto Montezuma Road, right onto Campanile Drive, and left onto Hardy Avenue. Park in Parking Structure 2 before heading to your building.

**West Halls - Chapultepec:**
From I-8, take College Avenue South and turn right onto Canyon Crest Drive. Park in Parking Structure 4.

**West Halls - Tarastec and Zapotec:**
From I-8, take College Avenue South and turn right onto Canyon Crest Drive. Continue to 55th Street and turn right. Park in Parking Lot V.

**EAST HALLS - Maya and Olmeca Halls, Tenochca Hall, Zura Hall, and Cuicacalli (Tacuba and Tepeyac):**
From I-8, take College Avenue South and turn left into the driveway after the overhead walkway (Zura Way). Park in Parking Structure 3 or Parking Structure 6. East Campus Drive will be closed to through traffic.

**Granada and Piedra del Sol:**
From I-8, take College Avenue South and turn right onto Montezuma Road, right onto Campanile Drive, and left onto Hardy Avenue. Park in Parking Structure 2 before heading to your building.

**Please Note:**
Parking structures have a maximum clearance of 6'10". If driving a vehicle higher than 6'10", use E Lot, T Lot or V Lot.
Once You Are Here

There will be a lot going on when you move to campus. Be sure to look for Residence Hall Association, Welcome Week and Aztec Nights events as well as many other exciting happenings.

Guide to Community Living & Roommate Agreement

The Guide to Community Living and Roommate Agreement was designed to help you navigate and feel more at ease about your new life in college.

We understand living on your own for the first time can be both exciting and intimidating. We want to provide you and your family adequate information to prepare for this important transition.

The guide includes information about living encompass, tips on how to live with a roommate (who might be different than yourself), university policies, and how to use your amenities.

We have also included the Getting Ready for a Roommate form and encourage you to complete it before move-in. Our goal is to create a safe and friendly living environment so that you can take full advantage of your college living experience and reach your full potential.

Visit the Guide to Living in the Halls.

Residence Hall/Apartment Orientation

All residents are expected to attend a residence hall/apartment orientation. These meetings will be held on Friday, August 21 and Saturday, August 22. When you move in, ask your Resident Advisor (RA), Community Assistant (CA), Academic Mentor (AM) or hall desk staff for the specific time for your hall.
Aztec Recreation Center
(The ARC)

Your residence hall and apartment fees include an on-campus recreation center membership. The ARC is open daily during move-in weekend.

Students living in SDSU on-campus facilities may activate their ARC memberships anytime. For more information, visit arc.sdsu.edu

Bookstore Hours

The SDSU Bookstore will open for extended hours the weekend before classes begin. Get a head start by picking up your textbooks before classes start.

The latest Aztec gear and student discounts on computers, tablets and more are also available inside the Bookstore. For more information, visit www.shopaztecs.com.
In regard to my personal property (i.e. food, electronics equipment), I prefer:

a. to share everything
b. to allow my roommate(s) to use specified items without permission
c. to allow my roommate(s) to use items only after asking for permission
d. not to share any of it

If someone wants to borrow my property, I would prefer that my roommate(s):

a. lend it to the person
b. lend it to the person only if I previously granted permission to that specific person
c. never lend out anything of mine

d. prefer not to let my roommate(s) know my whereabouts

e. other (specify) ____________________________

When receiving mail, I would prefer that my roommate(s):

a. leave it in the mailbox for me to pick up
b. bring the mail to the room if my roommate(s) checks the box first and leave it for me
c. my roommate(s) and I should take turns delivering the mail

d. be locked at all times

8. Regarding appearance of the room, I prefer that it be:

a. usually orderly and clean
b. sometimes orderly and clean
c. disorderly (i.e. no preference)

d. It doesn’t matter – nothing bothers me when I’m asleep

e. other (specify) ____________________________

When cleaning the room (& bathroom, living room, where applicable), I feel that:

a. my roommate(s) and I should take turns cleaning the entire room
b. my roommate(s) and I should each clean up our own mess
c. my roommate(s) and I should clean the room together

d. prefer not to let my roommate(s) know my whereabouts

e. other (specify) ____________________________

When cleaning the room (& bathroom kitchen, living room, where applicable), I feel that:

a. my roommate(s) and I should take turns cleaning the entire room
b. my roommate(s) and I should each clean up our own mess
c. my roommate(s) and I should clean the room together

d. prefer not to let my roommate(s) know my whereabouts

e. other (specify) ____________________________

Sharing a room and living in a community are learned skills. There are benefits to developing good relationship skills. The skills you build now will serve you later in life. College students are mature and capable of handling the responsibilities of living in a campus community: responsibilities that include confronting someone who is violating your rights, being accountable for your responsibilities and behaviors, and recognizing your own behavior, and that compromises are necessary for living with other people. In order to do this, communication is a necessity! Differences are normal as are opportunities for growth and learning about different people and their styles. Some roommates will become close friends – some may never be close, but all are expected to live together respectfully. Each roommate owes the other the courtesy of speaking directly to him/her first any time there is an issue that needs discussing.

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d. It doesn’t matter – nothing bothers me when I’m asleep

e. other (specify) ____________________________

When cleaning the room (& bathroom, living room, where applicable), I feel that:

a. my roommate(s) and I should take turns cleaning the entire room
b. my roommate(s) and I should each clean up our own mess
c. my roommate(s) and I should clean the room together

d. prefer not to let my roommate(s) know my whereabouts

e. other (specify) ____________________________

15. When I receive mail, I would prefer that my roommate(s):

a. leave it in the mailbox for me to pick up
b. bring the mail to the room if my roommate(s) checks the box first and leave it for me

c. my roommate(s) and I should take turns delivering the mail

d. be locked at all times

e. other (specify) ____________________________

16. For safety and security reasons, I would prefer that the room:

a. be locked at all times
b. be locked only when we are not in the room

c. when I go to bed or am asleep

d. leave when I am in the room

e. other (specify) ____________________________

17. I would like to have private time in the room:

a. during certain set hours to be arranged (specify) ____________________________

b. to be determined on a situational basis

c. when I go to bed or am asleep

d. leave when I am in the room

e. other (specify) ____________________________

18. Is it acceptable for your roommate(s) to be intimate with his/her partner in the room when you aren’t present? Is it acceptable while you are in the room?

a. no, it is not acceptable at any time
b. yes, but only when I am not present
c. yes, at any time

d. other (specify) ____________________________

19. How would you feel if your roommate(s) used alcohol outside the room/suite?

a. prefer not to let my roommate(s) know my whereabouts

b. other (specify) ____________________________

20. How would you feel if drugs/alcohol were in the room/suite?

a. to talk about things
b. space and time to deal with it on my own
c. my own space unless the feelings are directed toward my roommate(s)

d. tell our RA/CA

Note! Alcohol is not permitted in the residence halls and freshman apartments. No drugs, narcotics, controlled substances or drug paraphernalia may be possessed, used, sold nor distributed at the University or in the residential facilites.