

Residence

VIEWBOOK



LIVING ON CAMPUS
2025-2026

Carleton
University





Your home away from home

When you choose to live in residence, you become part of an engaging, fun and caring community that helps you make the most of your university experience. Choosing to live on campus is one of the best decisions you will make.

Why live in residence

1. MEET

people from around the world and build friendships to last a lifetime.

2. LEARN

about self-awareness, independence and resilience through our engaging community activities.

3. ACCESS

all campus facilities easily via our underground tunnel system, so you're always minutes away from classes, meals or workouts.

4. BUILD

a sense of belonging and foster meaningful relationships while contributing to your community.

5. FEEL

safe and included in our welcoming residence community and campus environment. Our students say their residence experience is enhanced by feeling safe in residence buildings and across campus.

Learn and grow in a welcoming community

Over 4000 students choose to live in residence each year, and we consistently rank among the top 5 comprehensive universities in Canada for student satisfaction.

Living in residence at Carleton provides an intentional learning environment where personal development, student leadership and developing a sense of belonging are key.

We are committed to providing opportunities for personal growth and academic development while promoting a safe and inclusive living environment.

Carleton University acknowledges the location of its campus and Residence buildings on the traditional, unceded territories of the Algonquin nation.



Our community spaces

Promote equity, diversity and inclusion

We at Housing and Residence Life Services support Carleton University's commitment to diversity as a source of excellence, cultural enrichment and social strength. Our goal is to provide students with an environment that promotes equity, diversity and inclusion and is free of discrimination, injustice and violence. We are dedicated to fostering a community that supports Indigenous sovereignty, reconciliation and inclusion.

We offer dedicated spaces designed for students living in residence to gather, connect and build a supportive community.

1. Multi-Faith Prayer and Meditation Space

A space designed for independent prayer and meditation, the Multi-Faith Prayer and Meditation Space is accessible to students living in residence using their Campus Card.

2. Black Student Hub

The Hub is a vibrant space to celebrate the contributions and unique experiences of the Black community in residence. Black students living on campus can access it using their Campus Card.

3. Mashkiki Pakesàya Medicine Room

This cultural space provides a place for ceremony, dialogue and exchange for Indigenous students living in residence, accessible using their Campus Card.





Teraanga Commons Dining Hall: A fresh dining experience

Teraanga Commons Dining Hall is Carleton University's newly renovated dining experience located in the residence precinct and available to all students and members of the Carleton community. The Dining Hall offers students a wide variety of menu options to choose from **15 unique stations**.

A station free from nine of the major allergens, True Balance, is perfectly suited for those with dietary restrictions, allergies and intolerances. Our popular deli station features house-made sandwiches and now offers hot protein options like the Canadian favourite Montreal Smoked Meat. We're also proud to offer halal-certified protein options, and a full vegan station that's open to students who require dietary accommodations or those just looking to try something new. Students are able to visit the Dining Hall to find menu items that fit their dietary needs, all of which are made fresh in-house every day.

Real Food. Real Choice.

Our motto showcases our commitment to service excellence and the delivery of

simple, scratch-made, nutritious meals to all of our guests. We are passionate about making every student's dining experience fresh, flavourful and made from local ingredients.

A culinary hub for community and comfort

Teraanga Commons Dining Hall offers a variety of features to enhance your dining experience:

- **Fresh Meal Options:** Watch your meals being prepared right before your eyes, ensuring freshness and quality.
- **In-House Dietitian:** Access personalized dietary advice and support to meet your nutritional needs.

- **Order Ahead Boxed Meals:** Conveniently order box meals in advance for a quick and easy dining option. If you have a class conflict or can't make it to the Dining Hall during a specific period, order a box meal to pick up.

On the All-Access and All-Access Plus meal plans, you have unlimited access to Teraanga Commons Dining Hall, meaning you can meet your friends to have a meal or snack many times a day on your own schedule.



Welcome to Rideau House: Opening Fall 2025

Rideau House is set to redefine student living, offering state-of-the-art facilities to enhance your university experience. This new residence will feature modern, thoughtfully designed spaces aimed at fostering both community and convenience for residents.

Designed for comfort and community

With over 450 traditional beds, Rideau House will primarily house incoming first-year students. This residence offers cozy, functional living spaces:

- **Traditional Double and Single Rooms:** Equipped with twin XL beds
- **Extra Privacy:** A half wall separates beds in double rooms for added comfort
- **Shared Washroom Space:** Adjoining rooms connected with a convenient washroom

Community-driven spaces

Rideau House will introduce a range of new communal spaces for all residents, creating a welcoming environment for you to connect, collaborate and unwind. Exclusive to residence students, these spaces include:

- **Community Kitchen:** Perfect for cooking and bonding with your roommates
- **Maker Space:** A creative hub for innovative projects
- **Theatre Space:** Ideal for movie nights or group presentations

- **Half-Court Gym & Fitness Centre:** Stay active without leaving the residence precinct
- **Study Rooms:** Quiet and collaborative spaces for focused learning
- **Residence Reception Desk:** For student support and directions
- **Bike Storage & Tunnel Access:** Convenient options for transportation



Your room: Your new home

Your residence room comes furnished with a bed, desk, storage and lighting. You can add more to your room by ordering linens or renting a fridge.

What to expect when you move in:



BEDROOM BASICS:

Bed, desk and chair, drawers, garbage, and recycling bins



BATHROOM BASICS:

Toilet, sink, mirror, shower, and curtain



INCLUDED UTILITIES:

Electricity, water, heating, air conditioning, and internet



For a full list of room inventory, visit our website: housing.carleton.ca

Please note: These are sample room plans for first-year double residence rooms. Floor plans can vary by building and some floors may have communal washrooms.

Amenities: Everything you need, right on campus

RAVEN'S ROOST:
A vibrant game room for socializing and relaxing with friends.



FITNESS CENTRE:
Stay active with state-of-the-art workout facilities.



TERAANGA COMMONS DINING HALL: Where every meal is a fresh, communal experience.



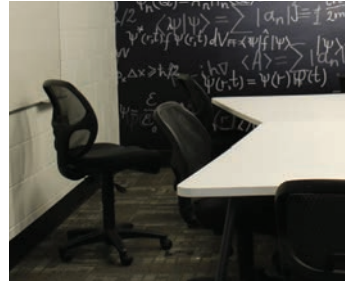
ON-SITE LAUNDRY:
Convenient laundry services just steps away from your room.



MAILROOM:
Your go-to spot for all your mail and packages.



STUDY LOUNGES:
Comfortable spaces designed for focused study sessions.



OASIS:
Enjoy great late-night bites, as well as an engaging atmosphere to socialize with your peers.



TUNNELS:
Easy, weather-protected access to various campus facilities.



TV LOUNGES:
Relax and catch up on your favourite shows with friends.



STARBUCKS:
Coffee shop across from the Residence Desk in Teraanga Commons.



Supporting your journey: Resources & opportunities

Residence Fellows

Your first point of contact for residence life, Residence Fellows are upper year students living in your community. They foster a community conducive to academic success and personal growth.

Residence and Community Managers

Professional staff who live within the residence community to ensure a safe and positive environment, supervising student staff and supporting student success.

Residence Counsellors

Offering confidential, in-house counselling exclusive to residence students to help you navigate challenges throughout the academic year.

Residence Reception Desk

Located in Teraanga Commons, the student staff at the Residence Reception Desk are dedicated to assisting residents. You can enquire about lockout assistance, Campus Card top ups, directions, lost and found, support resources, and any other information.

Employment Opportunities

Join us to develop your leadership skills, expand your connections and improve your community. To apply for a job at Carleton Residence, you must be a current student at Carleton University. Visit our website to check out all new jobs.

Additional campus resources

Campus Safety Services

We work closely with Campus Safety Services to address the community's needs for personal safety. We work together to offer preventative programs and safety awareness campaigns. Residence students are welcome to use the Safe Walk Program, one of many initiatives offered by Campus Safety Services: carleton.ca/safety

Student Experience Office (SEO)

The SEO ensures you successfully transition to university life by preparing you to achieve your personal and academic goals. The SEO offers helpful services

and programs to encourage student engagement. This includes collaborative programs like Alternative Spring Break, the SOAR Leadership Conference and more. carleton.ca/seo

Carleton Athletics

Carleton Athletics provides many fitness programs for students who wish to be active and involved. We also work closely with Athletics to support our varsity and club teams and provide opportunities to introduce residence students to our Carleton Ravens teams. goravens.ca or athletics.carleton.ca

For a full list of resources available at Carleton visit students.carleton.ca





Information for parents and families

We value parents, families and supporters in encouraging student success and personal growth.

What to expect

Students may experience homesickness at the beginning of the university transition, and you may receive a higher frequency of phone calls directly after the move into residence. It will take them some time to get used to living with a new roommate, adjusting to a new routine or navigating cultural differences.

How You Can Help

- Consider sending the student a care package to remind them that you are thinking of them.
- When the student calls home unexpectedly, please don't worry. It may be to say hello and hear a familiar voice.
- If the student calls with a personal or academic concern, listen and encourage them to approach our staff for support. Our Residence Fellows can mediate conflict and offer helpful resources.

- If you plan to visit the student, please let them know you are coming. You cannot gain access to the student's room without their consent and presence.
- Sometimes the student may experience facilities concerns. Encourage them to complete a work order so our facilities team can fix the issue as soon as possible.

Direct Communication

It is important that the student connects with us directly so we can talk to them about their concerns and provide them with effective solutions and support.

Stay Connected

Ensure you have contact information for the student before moving to residence. The transition to university can be difficult, and we engage students with activities and initiatives to help them adjust. It is normal that a student may be too busy to respond to your text or call right away.

Privacy Policy

We can provide you with policy and procedural information. However, we cannot provide you with information about the student as outlined in the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA). This includes room numbers, student conduct history, account balances, grades, roommate conflicts, addresses, etc. If you would like to know this information, we encourage you to discuss these questions or concerns with the student directly.



How much will residence cost?

Your residence fees cover a fully furnished room, internet connection, utilities and meal plan. For all first-year students, meal plan are mandatory. Residence fees also cover support services, security, fun activities and an inspiring community.


Fees from September 2024 to April 2025

Room / Meal Plan type	Fall term	Winter term	Total	What you get
Double Room / All Access Meal Plan	\$6,453.27	\$6,453.27	\$12,906.54	Unlimited entry into the Teraanga Commons Dining Hall and \$100 Dining Dollars on the Campus Card (\$50 per term)
Double Room / All Access Plus Meal Plan	\$6,603.27	\$6,603.27	\$13,206.54	Unlimited entry into the Teraanga Commons Dining Hall and \$400 Dining Dollars on the campus card (\$200 per term)
Single Room / All Access Meal Plan	\$7,228.27	\$7,228.27	\$14,456.54	Unlimited entry into the Teraanga Commons Dining Hall and \$100 Dining Dollars on the campus card (\$50 per term)
Single Room / All Access Plus Meal Plan	\$7,378.27	\$7,378.27	\$14,756.54	Unlimited entry into the Teraanga Commons Dining Hall and \$400 Dining Dollars on the campus card (\$200 per term)
*Pod Single / All Access Meal Plan	\$7,628.27	\$7,628.27	\$15,256.54	Unlimited entry into the Teraanga Commons Dining Hall and \$100 Dining Dollars on the campus card (\$50 per term)
*Pod Single / All Access Plus Meal Plan	\$7,778.27	\$7,778.27	\$15,556.54	Unlimited entry into the Teraanga Commons Dining Hall and \$400 Dining Dollars on the campus card (\$200 per term)
*Pod Double / All Access Meal Plan	\$6,778.27	\$6,778.27	\$13,556.54	Unlimited entry into the Teraanga Commons Dining Hall and \$100 Dining Dollars on the campus card (\$50 per term)
*Pod Double / All Access Plus Meal Plan	\$6,928.27	\$6,928.27	\$13,856.54	Unlimited entry into the Teraanga Commons Dining Hall and \$400 Dining Dollars on the campus card (\$200 per term)

Please note: All fees are set by the university each year and are subject to change.

Application process and dates

First-year guaranteed room acceptance process

 **May 16, 2025**

All current secondary school students and CEGEP students entering their first year who are admitted on or before May 16, 2025, and accept the offer by the deadline indicated are guaranteed a double traditional room.

 **June 9, 2025**

The deadline to accept a first-year guaranteed residence offer and pay the \$700 Residence Advanced Payment is 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on June 9, 2025. After accepting your offer of admission to Carleton, please log onto the Housing Portal and accept your guaranteed residence offer.

Non-guaranteed room application process

 **June 9, 2025**

After accepting your offer of admission to Carleton, log onto the Housing Portal to submit your residence application and pay the non-refundable application fee of \$50.

Room selection process

After accepting the offers of admission and residence, students receive time tickets which allow them to connect with potential roommates and select their room on the Housing Portal.

Questions?

If you have questions about Housing and Residence Life Services or your residence application, you can write to us at residence@carleton.ca.

We are here to help make your transition to life at Carleton and residence smooth and exciting!

Follow us on social media to learn about all the amazing things happening at Carleton Residence:

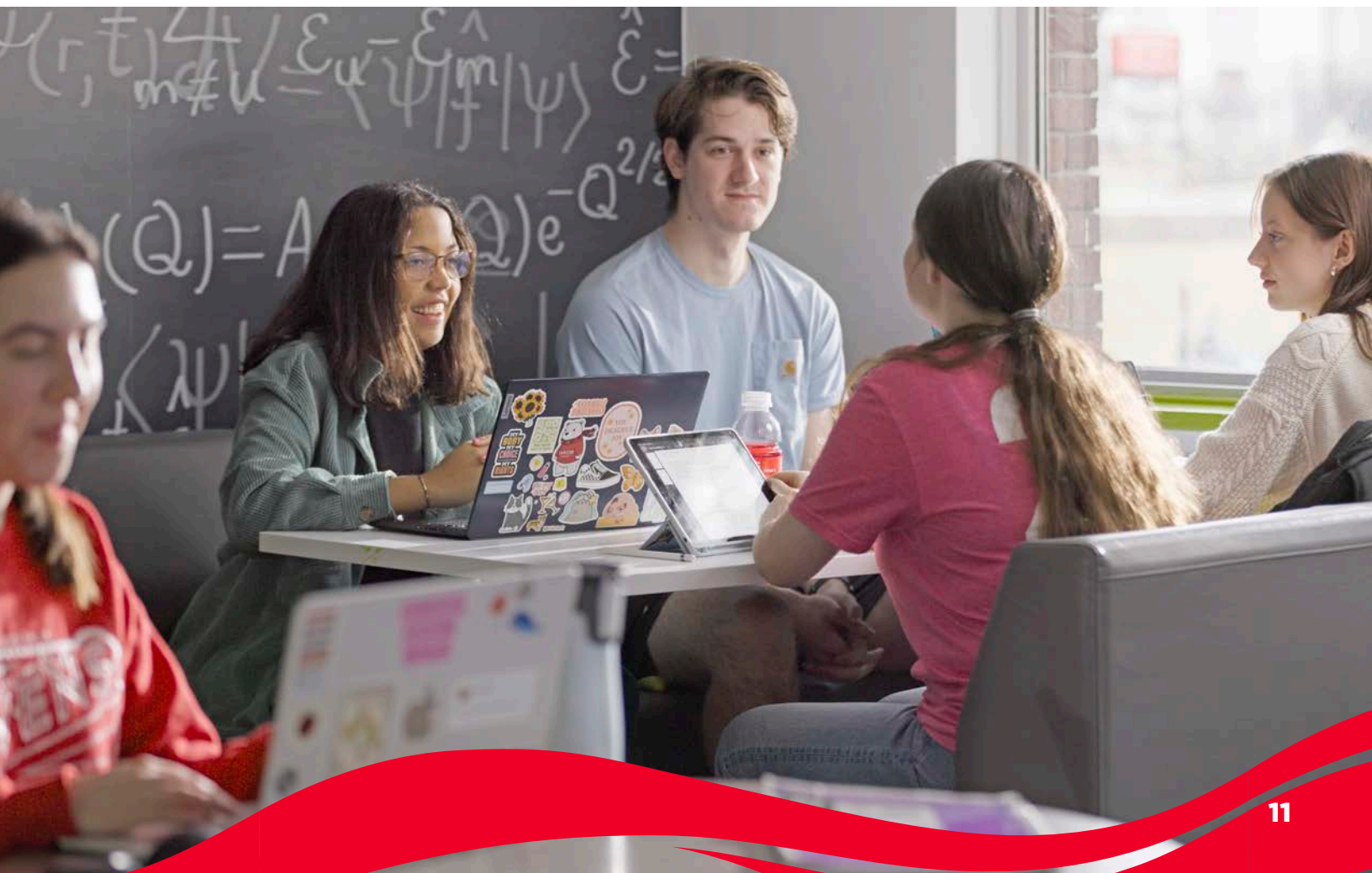
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***Note:** You must have accepted your offer of admission to Carleton prior to accepting your residence offer.





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Book an in-person or virtual campus tour!

carleton.ca/tours
1-888-354-4414 (toll-free in Canada)
613-520-3663
tours@carleton.ca

The campus is well serviced by public transportation.

Connect with Us

Housing and Residence Life Services Office
261 Stormont House
(613) 520-5612 | residence@carleton.ca

Residence Reception Desk
234 Teraanga Commons
(613) 520-5609 | resdesk@carleton.ca

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