



Residence Life and Housing

Summary of Shared Rights and Apartment Agreement

The Office of Residence Life and Housing believes that success at the University of Redlands is rooted in a successful residential experience. In order to facilitate this experience, Residence Life and Housing places a high value on the roommate and suitemate relationship as both a conduit for success and an opportunity to share and learn from other students. Shared understanding and communication are the pillars of the living experience and we have outlined a Summary of Shared Rights and living agreement as a tangible representation. You should take this opportunity to articulate verbally your ideas and comfort levels for the following areas, and then agree upon a written set of shared tangible and intangible standards for your rooms. Only 1 agreement needs to be submitted for the apartment.

Remember: Your Resident Assistant (RA) and Residence Life Staff are available to help at any time before, during, and after this process should you need any assistance. Please do not hesitate to reach out!

Summary of Shared Rights

The Summary of Shared Rights is a statement that details what every student who lives on campus should expect from their roommates, their suitemates, their community, and themselves. These ideals should be discussed thoroughly together.

The right to study: All students should be able to study in their room in a manner that is conducive to their learning style.

The right to sleep: All students should be able to sleep and rest in their room when they choose.

The right to a clean environment: All students should expect a level of cleanliness that is conducive to their daily life.

The right to express oneself: All students should be able to express themselves openly and without fear of judgment or reprisal.

The right to privacy: All students should be able to have a reasonable expectation that their property and ideas can be kept private from their suitemate and/or roommate.

The right to safety: All students should feel safe at all times in their room, apartment and/or bathroom.

The right to address concerns in a civil manner: All students should be able to consult with their roommate or suitemate about any issue that is troubling them or interfering with any of the above rights.

Apartment Agreement

Residence Hall Community: Brockton Grove

Apartment Number:

Date:

1. COVID-19 MANAGEMENT:

Please note: once you are moved into a space you are there for the semester and will not be moved, barring extreme circumstances only. Please discuss and complete this agreement thoroughly to allow the best possible living environment for all.

- a. *No more than 3 persons will be allowed in any residence hall room at any time, and no outside guests are permitted in the halls at any time without special accommodation. Will we allow other university students into our space?*

i. *Yes*

ii. *No*

1. *If Yes, please answer the following questions:*

a. *When can a guest be over? For how long?*

b. *Which guests are we particularly comfortable or uncomfortable hosting?*

c. *How much notice will we give each other when we would like to host a guest?*

d. *Will guests be asked to wear a face covering while in the space?*

- e. *How will we take responsibility for our guests' behavior?*

- b. *Will we wear face coverings while in our common spaces (living room, kitchen, bathroom)?*
 - i. *Yes*
 - ii. *No*
 - iii. *Only when a guest is over*
 - iv. *Other (specify below)*

- c. *How will our weekends away from campus be spent?(i.e., only with family, travelling, etc.)*

- d. *How will we discuss our "close contacts" and "physical contacts" with one another?*

- e. *What is our comfort level with various risks and what are the precautions we will take?*

- f. *What are other precautions we want or need to outline?*

2. CLEANLINESS:

- a. *Cleaning will include (check all that apply):*
 - i. *Sweeping/vacuuming*
 - ii. *Empty trash/recycling*
 - iii. *Sanitizing surfaces after use*
 - iv. *Laundry*
 - v. *Dishes*
 - vi. *Making beds*
 - vii. *Items picked up off floor*
 - viii. *Other:*
- b. *How often will common spaces (living room, kitchen, bathroom) be cleaned?*
 - i. *Daily*
 - ii. *Weekly*
 - iii. *Bi-weekly*
 - iv. *Monthly*
 - v. *Other:*
- c. *Who will clean what?*

3. STUDYING:

- a. *When do we prefer to study?*
 - i. *Morning*
 - ii. *Afternoon*
 - iii. *Evening*
 - iv. *Night*
 - v. *Depends/varies*
- b. *Where in the apartment do we prefer to study?*
- c. *What background noise is acceptable when studying? (check all that apply)*
 - i. *Music*
 - ii. *TV*
 - iii. *Guests*
 - iv. *Phone/video conversations*
 - v. *None*

4. NOISE AND SLEEP:

- a. *When can music be played through speakers, headphones, or in common spaces?*

- b. *What instruments do we have and when can we play them?*

- c. *How do we define quiet time? When is it too late to use TV or have phone/video conversations?*

- d. *Can we sleep with the lights, computer, or TV on?*

- e. *When will we usually wake in the morning?*

5. USE OF COMMON SPACES:

- a. *What things are ok for us to share? What can we only use with permission? What things are ok for guests to use?*

- b. *How will we divide kitchen and bathroom space?*

- c. *What things are we particularly sensitive about and need to respect at a higher level?*

- d. *What things about us do we strongly want to display? What things offend us?*

6. COMMUNICATION:

- a. *How will we communicate with each other if something is not working? How will we revise this agreement?*

- b. *How will we know this agreement is working and being respected?*

- c. *If this agreement is not working and we are unable to revise it to make it work on our own, we agree to:*
 - i. *Consult the RA (Identify your RA or an RA you feel most comfortable with):*
 - ii. *Other: (specify below)*

We agree to the terms and values described within this agreement, will review it periodically, and will do our best to communicate and learn from each other as apartment mates.

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Signature: _____