

Accommodation

Our Student Support Officer looks after accommodation issues and can give you help and advice about living in the UK.

There are two main types of accommodation you can choose from, staying with a family (homestay), or living in student halls of residence. Each has its own advantages and disadvantages. To help you choose, we've put a summary of these below:

	Includes	Excludes	Advantages	Disadvantages	Approximate cost per week
<p>Homestay:</p> <p>Private study bedroom in a family house.</p> <p>Study Links International is an agency which provides homestay accommodation on our behalf</p> <p>www.studylinks.co.uk</p>	<p>Breakfast, evening meals (plus lunch at weekends)</p> <p>Heating, lighting and water bills</p> <p>Bedding</p> <p>Laundry</p> <p>Internet (usually)</p>	<p>Telephone bills</p> <p>Transport</p>	<p>Meals are provided (so no shopping or cooking to do)</p> <p>You can practise your English.</p> <p>Easier to budget.</p> <p>Can be arranged before you arrive in the UK by us.</p> <p>There is no age restriction.</p>	<p>You may not always like the food.</p> <p>Homestay families usually live away from the city centre. It is not unusual to have a journey time of 50 minutes.</p> <p>You'll probably need to travel by bus to college, meaning additional expense for buses (monthly bus card costs £31).</p> <p>You usually have to share a bathroom.</p>	£140
<p>Halls of residence:</p> <p>General overview:</p> <p>Students have a lot of choice now in Leeds with many purpose built student halls</p>			<p>You can choose your own food and meal times.</p> <p>No daily transport costs.</p> <p>Close to college.</p>	<p>Student halls of residence won't usually accept 16 year old students.</p> <p>You will need to do your own food shopping,</p>	£70-£175

<p>having opened in recent years close to the college. We've listed the student accommodation which is the most popular with our students.</p>			<p>You can book and pay online.</p>	<p>laundry and cleaning. You will need to cook your own meals.</p>	
<p>iQ Student Accommodation http://www.iq-student-accommodation.com</p>	<p>Internet Contents insurance All utility bills</p>	<p>Food Laundry Telephone</p>	<p>10/15 minute walk from college. All bedrooms have an en-suite bathroom. Accepts under 18s. Can be arranged before you arrive in the UK.</p>	<p>You have to buy and prepare your own food You must sign a contract.</p>	<p>£84-£175</p>
<p>The Plaza / Sky Plaza www.unite-students.com</p>	<p>Internet Contents insurance All utility bills</p>	<p>Food Laundry Telephone</p>	<p>10/15 minute walk from college. All bedrooms have an en-suite bathroom. Accepts under 18s. Can be arranged before you arrive in the UK.</p>	<p>You have to buy and prepare your own food You must sign a contract.</p>	<p>£84-£175</p>
<p>Mary Morris International Halls of Residence www.marymorris.com Students must be 18 at the time of entry to live in Mary</p>	<p>Private study bedroom with sink. Shared kitchen and bathroom. Heating, lighting and water bills Internet</p>	<p>Food Laundry Telephone</p>	<p>Close to college. Meet students of different nationalities. Staff available on site.</p>	<p>You have to buy and prepare your own food You must sign a contract September to July. You must usually be 18.</p>	<p>£70</p>

Morris. Apply on-line			Can be arranged before you arrive in the UK.		
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Homestay accommodation is arranged through college and is sometimes provided via an independent company called Study Links International. www.studylinks.co.uk

Please note that if you require homestay, the initial application is first made via college but that the accommodation *payment* is not made to the college. Please do not send any accommodation payment to Notre Dame. Please apply for homestay using the accommodation application form on our website.

IMPORTANT

Notre Dame College recommends that students under the age of 18 stay in homestay. However, many students prefer to live independently and do so successfully.

If you feel that your son or daughter is able to live independently they may do so at your own risk. Please provide your written permission.