

Residence Life Accommodation Cohabitation Guidelines

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Relevant to	Students, Residence Life Staff
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Related legislation	
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1. PURPOSE

Charles Sturt University recognises that it may be advantageous to students to cohabitate on campus whilst completing their studies. These guidelines describe how to apply for cohabitation within CSU Residence Life approved accommodation areas.

2. ELIGIBILITY

This scheme is open to students of CSU enrolled in an Honours, Masters or Post Graduate programme. There is no requirement for both parties to be students of the University.

3. ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation provided for cohabitation is within the following accommodation packages only:

- a) Narrambala Post Graduate, Orange Campus
- b) Hampden Place Post Graduate, Wagga Wagga Campus
- c) Explorer Village (Albury)

4. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Enrolled students to apply for the room via the [CSU Accommodation Portal](#) as per general application procedure.

Enrolled students to supply a Cohabitation Request via email directly to the Manager, Residence Life via ask@csu.edu.au including the words 'Cohabitation Request' and the applicable campus in the subject heading.

5. COST

Charges are as per the Fee Schedule for the entirety of the relevant occupancy period plus 25% for the second occupant.

6. PAYMENT

Accommodation fees are charged to the designated occupant only (the 'contracted student'), and payment of the total fees is the sole responsibility of the contracted student as per the Residence Life Residential Agreement.

The contracted student is responsible for making personal financial arrangements with the cohabiter.

7. CODE OF CONDUCT

The contracted student is responsible for the behaviour of the cohabiter. All students, staff and external guests residing in CSU Halls of Residence must abide by the [CSU Student Misconduct Rule](#).

8. APPROVAL

Applications are assessed on merit and the approval or rejection of cohabitation applications by the Manager Residence Life is final.

9. VACATION OF ROOM

Should the contracted student vacate the cohabited room, a non-student cohabiter is required to also vacate.

Should the contracted student vacate the cohabited room and the cohabiter is an enrolled student, the cohabiter may apply to the Manager Residence Life to assume the position of the contracted student.

Table of amendments

Version number	Date	Short description of amendment
1.0	11 Oct '17	Minor revision (position titles)
1.1	August 18	Addition of Albury, position titles revised
1.2	June 19	Addition of Student Misconduct Rule