



campus living

A guide to residential options at Puget Sound

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A fully integrated learning and living experience is a key component of a liberal arts education. Providing more than just a roof over your head, Puget Sound's residential life program is designed to be your support system throughout your college career. Maximizing learning and personal development, campus living also creates opportunities to meet fellow students from a wide array of backgrounds and cultures, engage in discussions about classes and issues, and create friendships that will last a lifetime.

VARIETY Living options include nine fully wireless Tudor-Gothic style residence halls, suite living, and Greek or university-owned houses. Some houses and residence hall floors have themes, such as the Healthy Options floor, Live Green House, or Outhaus.

CONVENIENCE Most first-year students live with roommates in residence halls that are centrally located with proximity to a wide range of services, including dining facilities, the library, bookstore, and recreational activities. Restaurants, coffee houses, and shops are just a few blocks from campus. Campus residents also enjoy full support from custodial, technology, and other campus staff.

SECURITY Residence halls are accessible only by key 24 hours a day, and professional and student residence life staff are on call in each hall. The well-lit campus has numerous emergency protocols in place, including Security Services escorts and regular patrols.

COMMUNITY Nearly 70 percent of undergraduate students live on campus, and 90 percent live within one mile. Living on campus allows students to thrive in a community that they help create. Students make connections, build friendships, continue class discussions, develop leadership opportunities, and find a sense of belonging.

first-year living options

The Puget Sound campus living environment provides abundant resources and support for academic, social, civic, and community life.

RESIDENCE HALLS First-year students typically live in a coed residence hall with single-gender community bathrooms and the option to live on single-gender floors. Students live in rooms designed to accommodate one, two, or three roommates.

First-Year Residence Halls

Anderson/Langdon Hall
Harrington Hall
Register Hall
Schiff Hall
Seward Hall
Smith Hall
Todd/Phibbs Hall
University Hall

Common Areas

Study areas
Television lounge
Coin-operated laundry machines
Kitchen facilities
Vending machines
Recreational areas
Piano lounge

Amenities

Extended length twin-size bed
Chest of drawers
Bookcase
Desk and chair
Closet or wardrobe
Wireless Internet and campus network
Local telephone service

FRESHMAN RESIDENTIAL SEMINAR PROGRAM Each semester of freshman year, students take a seminar course designed to facilitate critical thinking, analytic writing, deep discussion, and the capacity to argue persuasively. First-year students may apply to live on a floor with others from their seminar, establishing a supportive residential and academic environment, continuing discussions beyond the classroom, and participating in special field trips and events.

FIRST-YEAR THEME LIVING PROGRAMS Puget Sound supports a wide variety of academic-residential communities. First-year students may apply to any of the following programs.

Adventure Education Community (Schiff Hall)

Connected with Puget Sound Outdoor Programs, residents of the Adventure Education Community share a passion for the outdoors, and can choose to participate in hall-planned trips and activities in the region.

Healthy Options and Substance-Free Communities (Harrington Hall)

Students who make healthy living a priority find that these communities help them build and promote ideal living environments with like-minded individuals.

Honors Program (Langlow House)

Of the approximately 34 students admitted to the Honors Program each year, a small number have the opportunity to live in the Victorian-style Langlow House.

Humanities Residence Community (Harrington Hall)

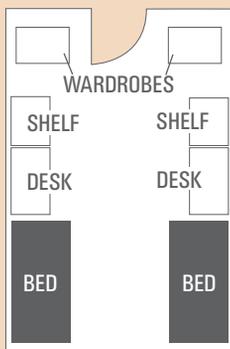
Students who enroll in the first-year humanities seminar can elect to live in this community in which residents take advantage of local and regional cultural events relevant to their studies.

Languages and Cultures House

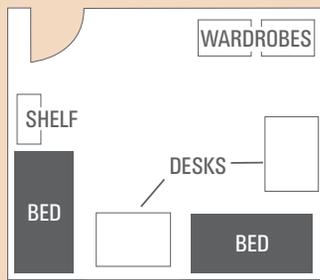
Students interested in foreign languages and international culture immerse themselves in these subjects in the Languages and Cultures House, where activities include cooking, discussions, and cultural excursions and events.



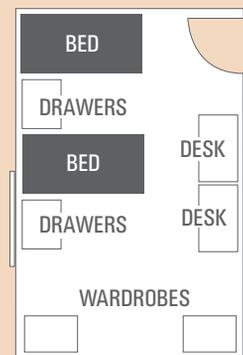
Examples of rooms from Harrington and Anderson/Langdon halls. (Drawings not to scale.)



12 ft. x 17 ft.



15 ft. x 14 ft.



10 ft. x 12 ft.



second year and beyond

In addition to an attractive variety of residential halls, Puget Sound provides special housing options after the first year. Students participate in a lottery each spring in order to select housing for the following year. Options include:

TRIMBLE HALL The suite-style Trimble Hall opened in 2002. Designed to increase interaction between academic and residential life, Trimble contains classroom space and a forum for formal lectures and informal gatherings. Each resident has his or her own private bedroom and shares common areas with four or five other students.

FRATERNITY AND SORORITY HOUSING Students who join fraternity and sorority chapters can live in chapter facilities beginning sophomore year. All chapter facilities are owned by Puget Sound and offer the amenities provided in other campus housing.

CAMPUS HOUSES Fifty-five houses for student residency are located on campus. While some of these houses are designated as Theme Houses, most serve as homes for junior and senior students. Living in houses allows for a more independent lifestyle, while also helping students maintain strong connections to campus life.

THEME HOUSES One of Puget Sound's most unique and popular housing options is the residences on Theme House Row. Students who share common interests are encouraged to develop a theme and apply for a house separate from the housing lottery in the spring. Students work with a faculty or staff advisor to further develop and promote campus awareness of their theme through programming offered to the campus community. Examples of past theme houses include the Knitting and Service Alliance (KASA) House, the Ben & Jerry's Literature House, and the Technology & Society House.

dining services

Puget Sound operates its own dining facilities, allowing us to choose local and organic foods and fair trade beverages, and to customize our offerings to meet student needs and preferences. (Our courteous and creative dining staff even offers to make your favorite meals from home!) Consistently ranked as one of the best college food programs in the country, and one of the most vegetarian-friendly, Puget Sound's Dining Services is committed to sustainability, variety, and good nutrition.

THE DINER Wheelock Student Center serves as the hub of campus life, with a main dining room in Marshall Hall and numerous food stations that serve all daily meals. Students can choose from a variety of options, including Mexican, Asian, Italian, vegetarian, and vegan cuisine, plus a grill, deli, soup and salad bar, and more.

THE CELLAR This student-managed pizza parlor in Wheelock Student Center also offers grocery items, snacks, and packaged foods.

DIVERSIONS CAFÉ The student-run coffee house in Wheelock Student Center is frequented by all members of the campus community, offering a wide variety of beverages and pastries.

OPPENHEIMER CAFÉ Puget Sound's newest café is a glass-prism coffee house located in the courtyard of the science center complex on the west side of campus. The dramatic setting is a popular meeting place (especially on rainy days!) and also offers sandwiches, salads, and snacks.

Puget Sound offers an a la carte meal plan, allowing students to purchase individual items instead of entire meals. Meal points in the plan can be used at any campus dining facility, and to purchase snack items in the bookstore.

For more information about Dining Services and meals plans, visit www.pugetsound.edu/dcs.





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