



First-Year Residence Offer Book

2026-2027

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Welcome to St. Michael's College Residence!

Welcome to St. Michael's College (SMC) Residence, and congratulations on being accepted into the University of Toronto!

As one of U of T's oldest colleges, St. Mike's is a historic community with many enduring traditions. Community and connection are at the heart of our residence experience. Here, you will have the opportunity to enrich your university experience, make new friends, and create lasting memories.

This offer book is designed to help you navigate your offer and transition to residence this fall!



St. Mike's: Your Home Away From Home



Welcome to SMC Residence, a vibrant, inclusive community in the heart of the city and a place I call my second home.

After four years in residence, each spent in a different building, I've come to appreciate how every space offers something unique: the stunning architecture of the Historic Houses, the close-knit community of the Queen's Park buildings, Sorbara's modern amenities, Elmsley's lively energy, and Loretto's quiet comfort.

The residence experience has been a highlight of my time at SMC. Whether it be attending floor activities hosted by residence dons, socializing in the dining hall, or participating in monthly community events in pursuit of the coveted Dean's Cup, every moment has contributed to lifelong friendships and unforgettable memories.

Your residence experience will be what you make it. As you embark on this new journey, I encourage you to get involved, connect with your neighbours, and never be afraid to ask for help when you need it. Our residence staff is always here to support you!

Madelaine Kukovica, SMC Class of 2026



OUR RESIDENCES

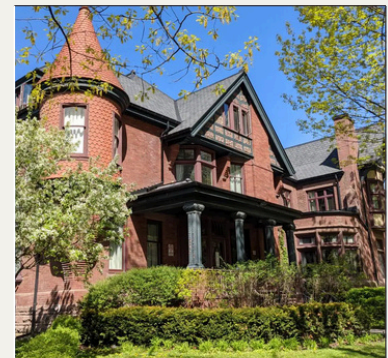
Our residence buildings are traditional dorm-style. The majority of first-year students are housed in double rooms with a limited number of single rooms available. Our traditional residence experience helps foster a strong SMC community as students have consistent opportunities to interact with one another and get to know their floormates.



Elmsley Hall



Queen's Park Building



Historic Houses



Loretto



Sorbara Hall

First-year students are housed in five unique residences, each offering its own charm and community.

Elmsley Hall



200 Beds



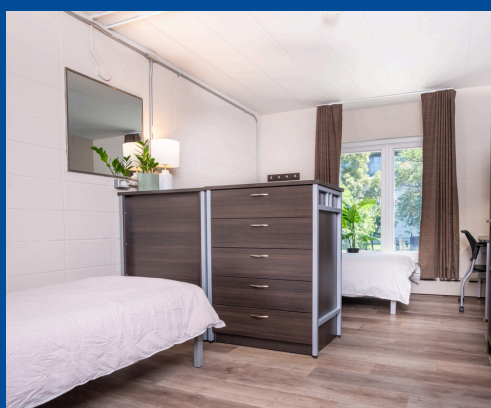
98 Double rooms
4 Single Ensuite Rooms



single-gender floors



First-year residence



Elmsley Hall is our largest first-year residence, offering large floor communities that make it easy for students to meet others and build connections.

What's provided?

All double rooms are equipped with a set of two twin XL beds, dressers, desks, and wardrobes. All rooms have a large window, a mirror, and vinyl flooring.

Are there common spaces?

Each floor has a common room with couches, a large table for studying, a TV, a microwave, and a fridge. Elmsley also houses our mailroom and 24/7 porter's desk.

Queen's Park Building



81 Beds



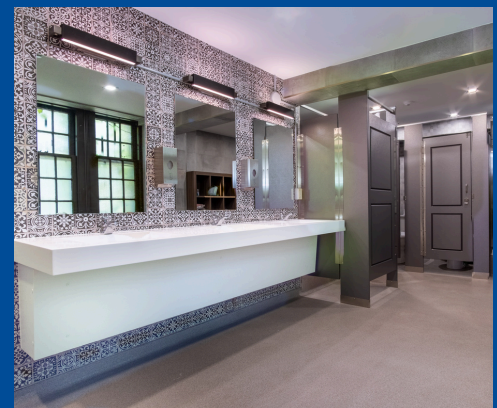
15 Single Rooms
30 Double rooms
2 Triple Rooms



Single-gender houses



First-year residence



Architecturally inspired by Cambridge and Oxford, Queen's Park Building is a charming, historic first-year residence on the edge of the St. Mike's Quad. The building is divided into three houses, Fisher, Teefy, and More, each with its own tight-knit community.

What's provided?

Each resident is provided a twin bed, dresser, closet/wardrobe, desk, and chair. The building offers newly renovated spa-like bathrooms and vinyl flooring.

Are there common spaces?

Each house has a common room with couches, a large table for studying, a TV, a microwave, a fridge, and a pool table.

Historic Houses



62 Beds



32 Single Rooms
15 Double rooms



All gender community



First and upper-year
residence



The Historic Houses on Elmsley Lane were built as one of Toronto's first housing developments and remain an architectural gem at the heart of the St. Mike's campus. The community is tight knit with a mix of first and upper-year students.

What's provided?

Each resident is provided a twin bed, dresser, closet/wardrobe, desk, and chair. Each room is unique and offers its own charm and character.

Are there common spaces?

Each house has a common room with couches, a large table for study, a TV, a microwave, and a fridge. The houses also have porches.

Loretto Women's Residence



118 Beds



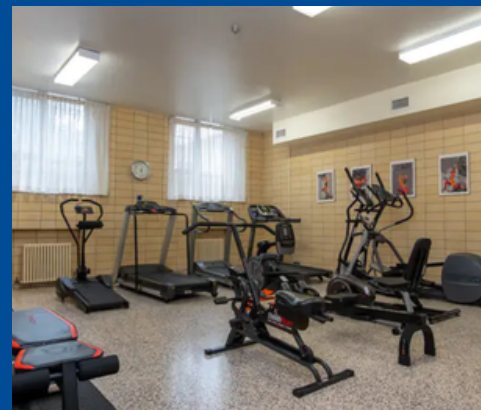
42 Single Rooms
38 Ensuite double rooms



Women's residence



First and upper-year
community



Loretto is a women's-only residence with a supportive, welcoming community. Students live on the 3rd and 4th floors and have access to several in-house facilities.

What's provided?

Each resident is provided a twin bed, dresser, closet, desk, and chair. Double rooms share Jack-and-Jill ensuite washrooms with the neighbouring room. Single rooms have sinks and access to floor washrooms.

Are there common spaces?

Loretto has a large fourth floor common room with couches, a large table for studying, a TV, an ironing board and a kitchenette with a microwave, sink and full-sized fridge. The building also has a study room, fitness room, music room, and several bookable study spaces.



179 Beds



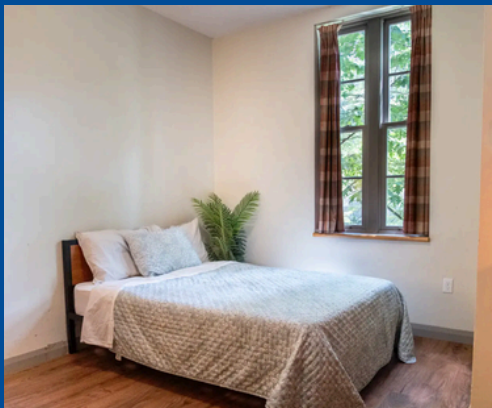
167 Single rooms
6 Double rooms



single-gender floors



Upper-year community
with a small number of
first-year students



Sorbara Hall is our newest residence building, architecturally inspired by St. Basil's church and Odette Hall. The building primarily houses upper-year students and a small number of first-year students.

What's provided?

Each room includes a double bed*, closet or wardrobe, desk, chair, and sink.

Are there common spaces?

Each floor has a common room with couches, a table for studying, TV, fridge, and microwave. The building also has a modest fitness room and music room.

*Double rooms come with a single XL bed

Roommate Selection

With the majority of first-year students being placed in double rooms, our roommate selection process helps you find a good match!



Building your profile

When roommate selection opens in July, you'll be asked to write a short (up to 500 characters) blurb about yourself and what you're looking for in a roommate. This will appear on your profile alongside the profile responses you completed when you received your SMC offer.

The roommate matching process

After creating your profile, you can message other students through the portal to get to know them better. Once you find a potential match, you can add them to your group and confirm your roommate pairing.

Have a roommate in mind?

If you already know someone who has also received an SMC offer, you will have the opportunity to indicate them as your roommate and skip the matching process.

What if I don't participate in roommate selection?

If you don't select a roommate, our office will assign you one based on your profile. While optional, we encourage all students to try the matching process.

Meal Plans

St. Mike's is a **traditional dormitory-style residence with mandatory meal plans.**

We have two dining halls: the Canada Room and Loretto Dining Room. Both are **"All You Care to Eat" buffet-style.** The Canada Room is located on the second floor of Brennan Hall and the Loretto Dining Room is on the main floor of Loretto. Students in Loretto can also eat in the Canada Room.

Students have two meal plan options:

5-Day Meal Plan

Provides breakfast, lunch, and dinner Monday to Friday

Ideal for students who:

Enjoy going out to eat on weekends and/or visit home on the weekends.

5-Day Meal Plan Cost: \$6,845

7-Day Meal Plan

Provides breakfast, lunch, and dinner Monday to Friday, as well as brunch and dinner on the weekends

Ideal for students who:

Plan to spend most weekends in Toronto and/or enjoy the convenience of eating on campus daily.

7-Day Meal Plan Cost: \$7,986

Changing Your Meal Plan

You can downgrade to a 5-Day Meal Plan until September 30. Additionally, you can upgrade to a 7-Day Meal Plan anytime.

Residence Fees

Residence fees are charged to your financial account in ACORN once your room has been assigned. Please note that deposits are paid on StarRez and then transferred to your ACORN account. Fees are charged per session (Fall/Winter), and must be paid in full by the deadlines listed in the Fee Schedule below.

Residence Fees by Room Type

Room Type	Rate
Standard Double	\$12,937
Standard Single	\$13,953
Economy Single	\$12,758
Economy Double	\$11,840
Triple	\$11,190
Single with Ensuite	\$15,878
Loretto Ensuite-Double	\$12,937
Loretto Single	\$13,232

Fee Schedule

Payment	Payment Deadline
Deposit 1 *	Offer deadline
Deposit 2	Jul 21, 2026
Installment 1	Sep 30, 2026
Installment 2	Nov 30, 2026

* Students without the Residence Guarantee pay one nonrefundable \$2,000 deposit.

Other Fees

- Non-SMC students are charged an incidental fee of \$140.50/term.
- All students are charged a residence council fee of \$11.50 per semester (\$23 total for the academic year).



Financial Aid & Accessibility Services

Need help paying for residence?

St. Mike's offers financial aid for residence students with demonstrated financial need. All residence aid is distributed by the SMC Registrar's Office.

Who qualifies for funding?

Only St. Michael's College students are currently eligible to receive financial aid.

How do I apply for aid?

A financial advisor in the Registrar's Office can help you explore your options.

To set up a meeting,
smc.registrar@utoronto.ca

Who do I contact for accessibility-based accommodations?

All accessibility-based accommodation requests are managed by Accessibility Services. They will send our office a confidential letter outlining your required residence-related accommodations.

How do I register with Accessibility Services?

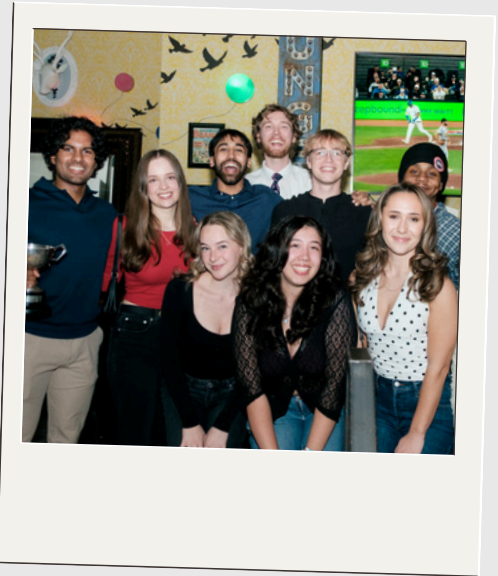
For information on how to register, please visit:

<https://studentlife.utoronto.ca/task/register-with-accessibility-services/>

Community & Programming

Residence Life

Each residence community has a don, who is an upper-year student staff living in the residence community to support you! They host events every month, including movie nights, bake nights, sports (spike ball, volleyball, and basketball in the Quad are some of our favs), crafts, outings, and much more!



St. Mike's Residence Council (SMRC)

SMRC works tirelessly throughout the year to ensure St. Mike's remains the most social, connected, fun and all-around best college experience at U of T. It would be impossible to list all their many contributions, but the annual banquets and formals are some of the best!

Dean's Cup

Dean's Cup is an enduring historic tradition. Each month students compete in a series of academic and athletic competitions; an exciting rivalry among inter-residence communities, with only one house crowned champion each year.



Frequently Asked Questions

#1

Q: When will I find out my room placement?

A: Most first-year students are assigned to Elmsley Hall or Queen's Park Building, as these buildings are fully first-year communities. The Historic Houses and Sorbara also have double rooms as well as a few single rooms that may be assigned to first years if space allows. Room assignments are sent out early/mid August.

#2

Q: Can I switch my offer to another residence or college?

A: Eligible students will receive one residence offer. You can choose to accept or decline it. Offers are not transferable, and if you decline, you won't receive another guaranteed placement.

If you decline your offer, you can apply to the waitlist through StarRez. Waitlist offers aren't guaranteed and are usually unlikely. We don't recommend declining your guaranteed offer to join the waitlist.

Frequently Asked Questions

#3

Q: How likely am I to get a single room?

A: Most first-year students are assigned to double rooms. A small number of single rooms are available after accessibility needs are met. You can indicate your interest for a single room in the application to be added to the single room assignment lottery. **Note:** You should still participate in Roommate Selection in the event that a single room is not available.

#4

Q: I don't know if I need residence right now. Can I defer or extend my offer?

A: While we cannot defer or extend your offer deadline, we encourage you to stay in touch. If you decline your offer, you may contact us once you've confirmed your interest, and if space becomes available, we may be able to offer you a residence spot.

What to Bring to Residence

TEXTILES

- Bedding (sheets, pillowcases, blanket) and pillow(s)
- Bath towels, hand towels, face cloths
- If desired, you can order bedding, bath linens and closet storage from the U of T Bookstore or My Dorm Store!

DECOR

- Decorations such as posters, pictures, plants
- Sticky tack, 3M hooks, painter's tape only to hang posters

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Personal care and hygiene products (shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, etc.)
- Hair dryer
- Shower caddy, shower flipflops
- Ear plugs and mask for sleeping

WARDROBE

- Clothes hangers
- Clothes, footwear, and outerwear for all seasons
- Umbrella

CLEANING

- Cleaning supplies (e.g., all purpose cleaner, disinfectant, washcloth)
- Garbage and recycling bags
- Laundry basket or bag

ELECTRONICS AND APPLIANCES

- Electronics and their chargers
- Power bar or extension cords
- Optional: Mini-fridge
 - Double rooms: Check in with your roommate to avoid duplicates
- Tabletop fan, desk lamp (built-in for Elmsley Hall, Loretto, and Queen's Park)



IMPORTANT DATES

June – July 2026

- Residence Guarantee offers will be sent to students via email
- To accept an offer, a first deposit of \$1000 is due by the deadline indicated on your offer email

July 21, 2026

- This is the deadline to be eligible for a 50% refund on your first deposit (\$500)
- A second deposit of \$1000 is due for all residents
- Please note that your second deposit is non-refundable
- Cancellations after offer acceptance are subject to the withdrawal policy
- Note: Refunds are processed through Student Accounts and may take several days

July & August 2026

- Roommate matching opens on the portal (End of July)
- Room assignments are shared with residents (Mid August)

August 30, 2026

- First-year student Move-In Day!

August 31 – September 6, 2026

- Orientation (AKA Frosh Week) for first-year students

September 8, 2026

- Classes begin

December 23, 2026 @ 11:30am

- All remaining students must move out for Winter Break. You can leave your belongings in your room

January 6, 2027 @ 10am

- Residence re-opens for the Winter term

May 1, 2027 @ 11:30am

- Last day of the residence term
- Remaining students must be fully moved out by 11:30 am
- A departure lounge will be available for students awaiting travel arrangements

Questions?

Email us at smc.residence@utoronto.ca

See you soon!

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