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Accommodation guide



Make yourself at home.

Staying in Halls of Residence.

With over 2,500 bed spaces, our range of rooms gives you the opportunity to pick the perfect accommodation to suit you – giving you all you need to relax, make friends, socialise, study and learn.

Our quality, secure and affordable rooms will make you feel at home in no time! All of our rooms come furnished with the essentials – a bed, desk, wardrobe, bookshelf, chair and a bin – all you need to do is bring the finishing touches to help you settle in. You can also choose between staying in either mixed or single gender flats depending on what you'd prefer.

You won't need to worry about any surprise costs as all rooms have Wi-Fi provided free of charge with heating, electricity and water included in your rent. The only thing you will need to worry about is paying for your shopping, socialising and a TV licence if you want to watch your favourite shows live, or on demand, in your room.*

Live right in the middle of the action with our on-campus accommodation or go out-of-town and stay at one of our off-campus halls for a more peaceful environment.

Need to bring a car with you? If you're on a placement course and need a car as part of your study we recommend our Boughton Green Road or Bassett Lowke Halls where you can apply for limited parking spaces.

Your safety is paramount, so the University operates round-the-clock security cover, strategically placed CCTV cameras and a fantastic Residential Life Team. The team, is made up of existing students and staff, provides pastoral support and guidance.

*For more information, please visit tvlicensing.co.uk

Northampton

Sporting

- 1** Northampton Town Football Club
- 2** Becket's Park Skatepark
- 3** Northampton Saints Rugby Club
- 4** Northamptonshire County Cricket Club
- 5** Cripps Gym

Shopping

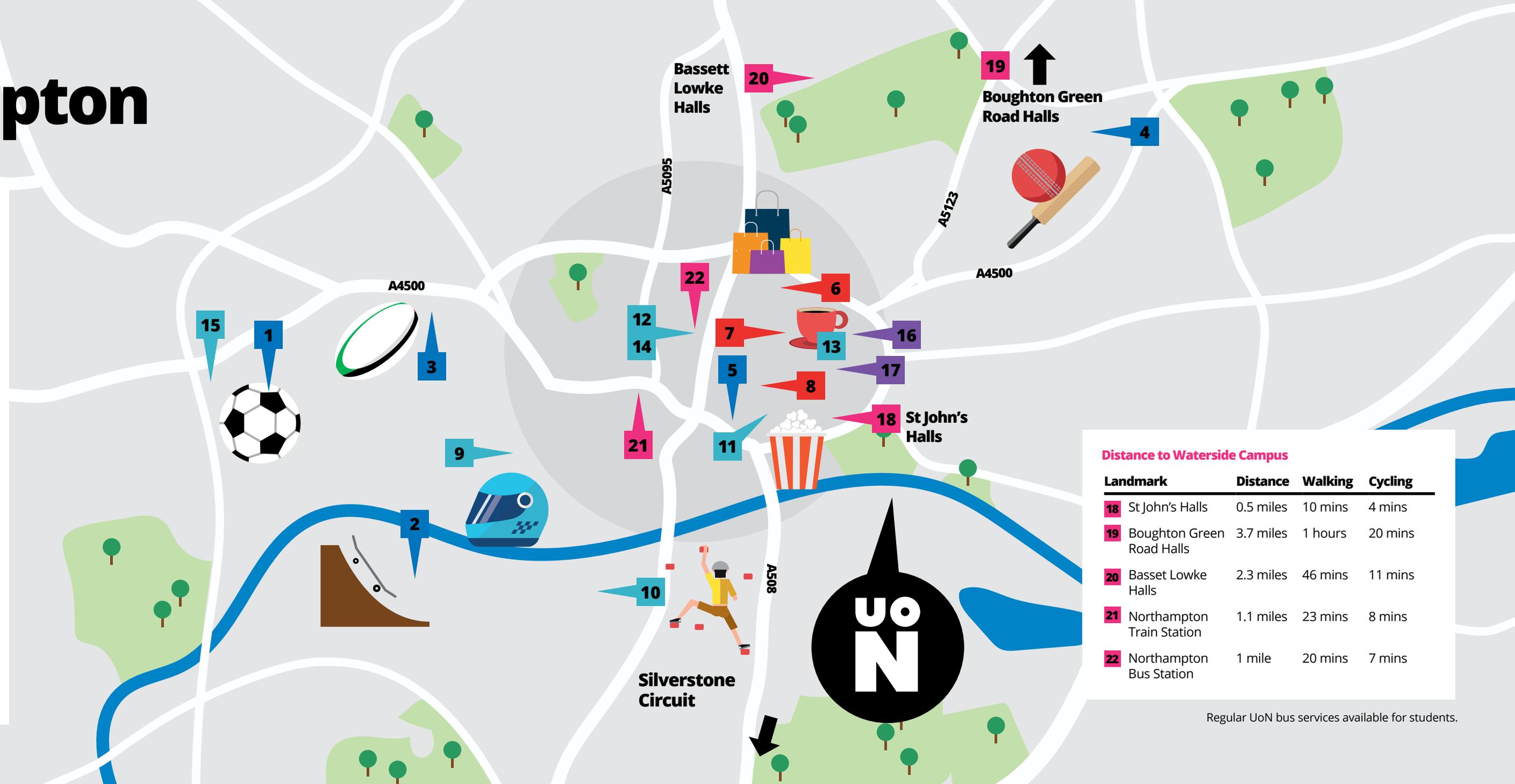
- 6** High street shopping
- 7** Market Square
- 8** St Giles Street

Entertainment

- 9** Teamworks Karting
- 10** The Pinnacle Climbing Centre
- 11** Errol Flynn Filmhouse
- 12** Roadmender
- 13** Royal and Derngate
- 14** VUE Cinema
- 15** Cineworld

Food and drink

- 16** Student's Union - The Platform
- 17** Restaurants and Bars



Distance to Waterside Campus

Landmark	Distance	Walking	Cycling
18 St John's Halls	0.5 miles	10 mins	4 mins
19 Boughton Green Road Halls	3.7 miles	1 hours	20 mins
20 Basset Lowke Halls	2.3 miles	46 mins	11 mins
21 Northampton Train Station	1.1 miles	23 mins	8 mins
22 Northampton Bus Station	1 mile	20 mins	7 mins

Regular UoN bus services available for students.

Campus living.

Waterside student village.

University is a great opportunity to experience living away from home for the first time, with all the support and facilities you need on your doorstep. Our on-campus student village is designed with your studies and social life in mind, you'll be situated close to town and only a short walk away from rail or bus links home.

Overview

On campus you can choose between our flats, townhouses and studio flats. Each flat has up to ten en-suite bedrooms and a shared kitchen/living area. Our four storey townhouses, each have 12 bedrooms, as well as communal kitchen, dining and living spaces.

There will also be studio flats available, complete with their own kitchenettes and a number of accessible en-suite bedrooms.

With 1,000 fully-furnished bedrooms available and utilities, TV licence for communal spaces and Wi-Fi included, you can be sure with whatever you choose, that there will be no surprise costs!*



Campus accommodation

Accommodation options	Number of beds	Room type
Francis Crick	90	Small en-suite
	24	Single studio
Charles Bradlaugh	118	Large en-suite
		2 Accessible rooms
Margaret Bondfield	100	Small en-suite
	50	Large en-suite
John Clare	142	Large en-suite
		4 Accessible rooms
Townhouses	36 12-bedroom houses –	Standard single single rooms, toilet/shower facilities shared between two rooms.

What's included

Free access to WIFI

All of the rooms within the Halls of Residence have internet access either via hard wiring or through Wi-Fi.

Utility bills (electric, water etc)

All bills are included within the rent – this helps with budgeting.

Insurance

We've arranged for residents to be covered by a basic insurance policy (terms and conditions apply). You can easily "bolt on" additional cover according to requirements.

Cleaning service

A regular cleaning service is provided for communal areas within the Halls of Residence.

Applicants with disability related needs

Priority arrangements are available to students with disability related needs. See pg. 16 for more detail.

TV licence

TV licence and TV within your communal living space – separate licences will be needed if you bring a TV for your room.

Town centre living.

St John's Halls.

Situated in the heart of Northampton, St John's Halls of Residence is a five minute walk through Becket's Park from our campus. Located close to restaurants and supermarkets, with the buzz of Northampton's Cultural Quarter on your doorstep.

Overview

Generally flats are mixed gender, although there are options for single gender flats.

Each flat usually contains six or seven rooms and a communal kitchen as well as communal study and social spaces on the ground floor.



Town centre accommodation

Accommodation options	Number of beds	Room type
St John's	437	Single en-suite
	5	Single studio
	7	Twin studio

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Off-campus living.

Boughton Green Road Halls.

If you're looking for a chance to wind down from a hard day of studying, Simon Senlis, Spencer Perceval and William Carey Halls of Residence could be the place for you. Located away from the hustle and bustle, our off-campus community provides a space to sit back and relax.

Overview

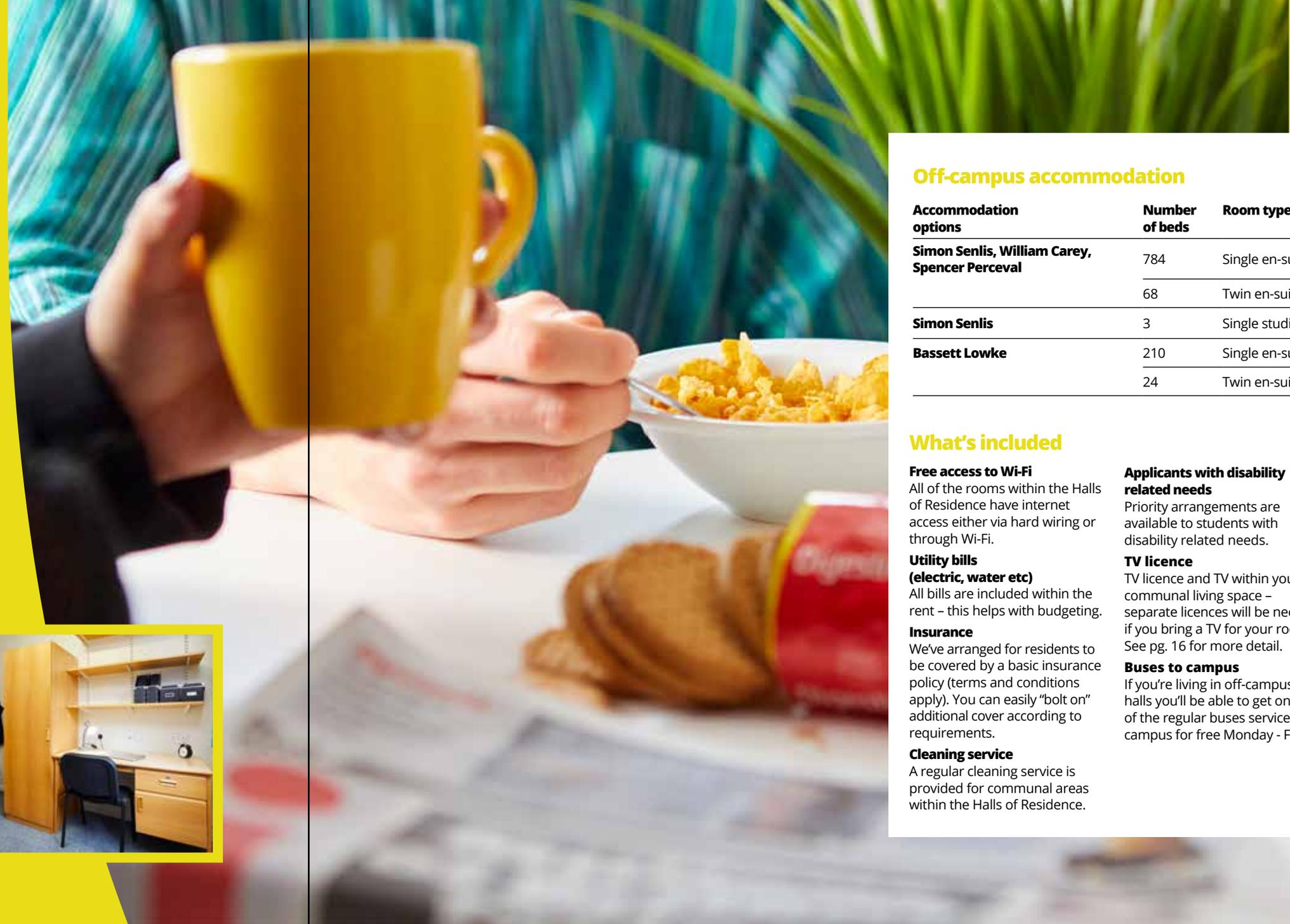
Each Halls of Residence is based within the student village on Boughton Green Road, comprising of 287 single en-suite bedrooms per hall. There are also twin en-suite "bedsits" with separate kitchen and bathroom facilities in each hall, as well as single studios available within Simon Senlis. Generally flats are mixed gender, although there are options for single gender flats. Each flat usually contains six rooms and a communal kitchen. A convenience store, 24/7 security and a postroom are all available on-site.

Bassett Lowke Halls.

Located next to the iconic Northampton Racecourse, and within walking distance of the town centre, these halls gives you the best of both worlds.

Overview

There are 216 single en-suite bedrooms 16 twin en-suite "bedsits" with separate kitchen and bathroom facilities per hall. Generally flats are mixed gender, although there are options for single gender flats. Each flat usually contains six or seven rooms and a communal kitchen.



Off-campus accommodation

Accommodation options	Number of beds	Room type
Simon Senlis, William Carey, Spencer Perceval	784	Single en-suite
	68	Twin en-suite
Simon Senlis	3	Single studio
Bassett Lowke	210	Single en-suite
	24	Twin en-suite

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Buses to campus

If you're living in off-campus halls you'll be able to get one of the regular buses services to campus for free Monday - Friday

Community support.

Residential Life Team.

Our Residential Life Team provides support to students living in Halls of Residence throughout the academic year.

We believe that for you to be a successful student you need to feel safe and supported in your accommodation. We are available to provide pastoral support for you whilst living in halls.

Car parking

Students living in off-campus halls can apply for parking permits at Bassett Lowke, Simon Senlis, William Carey and Spencer Perceval halls subject to specific criteria. Permit requests are assessed, with priority given to local authority issued blue badge holders and those with a mobility issue that are registered with the University ASSIST Team.

Blue badge holders will be able to apply for residential parking permits on-campus.

Transport between off-campus halls

Regular bus services run between all of the University accommodation and Northampton town centre, the bus station, railway station and other parts of the town. Students living off-campus at Simon Senlis, Spencer Perceval, William Carey or Bassett Lowke Halls will receive free bus travel to and from campus Monday to Friday.

Student Help Desk

Moving away from home to go to university can be a big leap, but we're here to make sure you have everything you need.

Our friendly, experienced team is based on-campus, on the ground floor of the Learning Hub and can provide you with advice and support on different aspects of student life:

- ASSIST
- Accommodation services
- Counselling and mental health
- Financial guidance
- Guidance and Information team (helpdesks)
- International student support
- Needs assessment centre.

Medical centre

The doctor's surgery is based within the main student village on-campus and is available to all students, and is open five days a week. If you'd prefer to join one of the town centre surgery/s or one nearer to our off-campus locations, our Student Services team will be able to help; contact them for details of your local surgery.

Students are encouraged to register with a local doctor's surgery as soon as possible. This means your treatment won't be delayed, and you won't have to travel when you're sick!

Multi-faith chaplaincy

We have a team of Chaplains for different faiths who work together to serve everyone. Our Multi-Faith Chaplaincy Centre is based on campus and you can drop in at any time to talk, meet others or simply enjoy some quiet time.

Multi-Faith prayer rooms with washing facilities are provided within the Chaplaincy Centre.

Gym

We're working in partnership with Trilogy Leisure to offer you exclusive discount on their gym facilities and pools, they have locations throughout Northampton.

See trilogyleisure.co.uk for more information.

Study wherever, whenever

As well as communal areas within halls and flexible study spaces on campus, we provide all of our full-time undergraduate students with a 16" HP laptop, complete with Microsoft 365, so that you have all the tools you need to study where you like, when you like.

See northampton.ac.uk/benefits for more information.

Important info.

Application process

To apply for accommodation in Halls of Residence you will need to complete an online application. You will receive an email, around Spring, inviting you to register and apply.

If you are successful in your application for Halls of Residence, an electronic room offer will be sent to you. It's vital that you provide accurate and up-to-date contact details.

Indicating your preferences

The application process provides an opportunity for you to indicate your preferences for your accommodation including location, cost and flatmates. However, whilst we will endeavour to accommodate your preferences, there is no guarantee that we will be able to fulfil them. Ideally, you should try to indicate up to five room type preferences, in case we are unable to offer your first choice.

Applicants with additional needs

Priority arrangements are available to students with additional needs.

There is a deadline for arrangements to be guaranteed - please see our website for details. Medical evidence is required and eligibility criteria applies.

For more information regarding the Priority Accommodation process, eligibility criteria, or to download a copy of the priority request form, please visit northampton.ac.uk/assist

Key and damage deposit

You will be required to provide a Key and Damage Deposit when you accept your room offer. This is required in the Spring before you start your course after you have accepted our offer, so we would advise planning ahead.

This is used to cover any damage or bills which may be outstanding at the end of your residency. Deposits will be returned following the return of your key and providing no damage has been caused to your accommodation.

Residency period

You are expected to retain and pay for your accommodation for the full duration of your residency period. This will be the case even if you have to undertake a course placement that is based away from Northampton or if your summer examinations finish early.

For further information please visit:

northampton.ac.uk/accommodation or contact **01604 892482**

Private sector living.

Many of our students live off-campus in approved private rented accommodation. We work with local landlords to make sure you have a variety of choices for private rented accommodation which are safe and easily accessible.

Two important aspects of selecting the right property will be its condition and the manner in which it is managed by the owner or their representatives. To help you get the best possible private accommodation, the University recognises two property accreditation schemes, which audit the condition of properties and their management.

The University housing list at northamptonstudentpad.co.uk/accommodation contains details of some properties which are available for rent. Some of these properties are accredited by the University, look for the Northampton Student Accreditation Scheme (NSAS) and DASH Landlord

Accreditation information.

There are a number of ways in which you can search for private sector accommodation. These include:

- The University housing list
- Estate Agents/property management companies
- Local press northamptonchron.co.uk/property
- Online options and word of mouth.



What to look for

There will be a number of factors which could affect your choice of accommodation. You may wish to consider some of the following:

How much is the rent?

For how long? What does it include? Are there any other costs? e.g. administration fees, deposits or 'retainers'?

Quality of the accommodation

Is the accommodation in a good condition?

Contractual obligations

Are you happy with the terms and conditions outlined in the contract/ tenancy agreement?

Location

Are you happy with the location? Where is the nearest bus route? How easy is it to access the University or shops? What is the neighbourhood like?

Flatmates

Who are you sharing the property with? Are they students? (If not this could affect the Council Tax liability for the property). If so, what year or course are they studying? (Remember existing students may have a lot of local knowledge which you may be able to tap into).