



INTRODUCTION FOR APPLICATION TO THE CHRISTUS COLLEGIUM RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY

The **Christus Collegium** is owned by the **Campus Christian Center**, a partnership of the United Methodist, Evangelical Lutheran and Episcopal Churches. The facility serves as the **Center for Campus Ministry** at Montana State University for the three churches, as well as a year round residence hall for up to 18 MSU students.

The following priorities are considered when accepting applicants for housing:

- 1) An applicant who is a student of MSU or Gallatin College and a member of one of the supporting churches: United Methodist, Lutheran (ELCA) and Episcopal (USA). Applicants associated with other Christian denominations are also given special consideration.
- 2) MSU and Gallatin College students of other faiths and cultures. We make every attempt to maintain a balance of nationalities and cultures in the residential community, so our “waiting list” is not always “first come, first served.”

Priority is also given to those with strong personal references (see Application Procedure). Our aim is to provide our diverse, multi-cultural group of students a safe and welcoming place to live and study, and to foster an environment of global understanding and friendship. A high level of maturity is required of residents due to the challenges and opportunities of sharing a “big house” with 17 other residents.

Room & facility description: All rooms are single-occupancy, and each room is furnished with one twin bed, two desks, two wardrobe closets, a mini fridge and microwave. Eight women share a restroom and showers on the 3rd floor and ten men share a restroom and showers on the 1st floor. There is a common kitchen, resident lounge area, quiet study room, coin-operated laundry facilities, storage room, and free onsite parking for both cars and bikes.

Rent and utilities: From January 1, 2024, the rent is \$475/month. All utilities (except phone lines) are included. Rent is due and payable on the first of the month. Payment can be made month-by-month or by semester. Cash, check, and online bill pay are accepted.

Rental contract terms: Rental agreements are by semester as follows: Fall - August to December, Spring - January to May, and Summer session - June & July. If a short-term rental is requested, it must be approved by the Administrative Manager prior to move-in. If a resident decides to vacate their room prior to the end of a semester they will forfeit their Last Month’s Rent deposit and security deposit.

Move-in fees: A \$100 security deposit and first and last (final) months' rent is due from all new residents upon move-in. **This totals to \$1050, based on the rental rate effective January 1, 2024.** If the resident moves in mid-month, the first month will be pro-rated accordingly, roughly \$15/day.

Management details: The Administrative Manager oversees the residential community and all building maintenance. A janitorial service is contracted to clean the public spaces and residential common areas, including the resident kitchen and bathrooms. Two people are available to assist you with questions or concerns during the evenings or when the Manager is not available: McKenzie Davis and Ary Vermunt live in the apartment (#26) across from the offices and oversee activity in the building after hours. They lock and unlock the building, do a "walk through" each night to ensure the safety and security of the facility, and are the on-site "go to" persons if there are immediate building concerns when other staff are unavailable. Our Resident Assistants are Emily Stratman in room #31 and Ravi Pirati in room #11. They are also available to answer questions or address concerns.

Those interested in applying to the Christus Collegium should give careful consideration to the unique character of this community. **Applicants agree to abide by the following list of expectations:**

1. In recognition of the varied cultures and traditions represented, residents are expected to maintain an atmosphere of tolerance and mutual respect.
2. Residents agree to attend the mandatory meetings at the beginning of each semester.
3. Residents agree to work together to help keep the communal living spaces tidy.
4. All residents are expected to abide by the written House Rules.

Application Procedure:

1. Submit the following documents to the Administrative Manager by email, mail, or hand delivery:
 - Completed Residency Application form (2 pages)
 - Two **written** personal references (ex: from a professor, advisor, pastor, or employer)
 - Documentation of MSU enrollment as an undergraduate, graduate student or faculty-sponsored researcher
2. At such time as a room becomes available, the Christus Collegium staff will look at the list of applicants and contact those who best fit the current needs of the community. Staff will then schedule a time with each of these candidates for personal interviews.
3. Upon acceptance to the Christus Collegium, the new resident will sign a standard rental agreement and make move-in arrangements.

RETURN APPLICATION & SUPPORTING MATERIALS TO:

Mail/Hand Delivery:
Administrative Manager
Christus Collegium
714 South 8th Avenue
Bozeman, MT 59715

Email:
manager.christus@gmail.com
QUESTIONS?
Email or call Linda Hospodor
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***APPLICATION DOES
NOT GUARANTEE
ACCEPTANCE TO
THE COMMUNITY.***