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APPLICATION PROCESS

SELECTION CRITERIA

The GSA Forres housing is available to postgraduate students studying at the GSA Highlands and Islands campus.




APPLICATION PROCESS

- Applications open in late February/early March.
- GSA course offer holders will be sent an email from the accommodation office with full details on how to make an online housing application.
- Applications will then be reviewed alongside the selection criteria.
- Once the application has been processed, applicants will receive direct email correspondence from the accommodation office containing the outcome of the housing application.
- If we are in a position to offer housing, applicants will be invited back to the accommodation portal to select a room, sign the tenancy agreement, and pay the non-refundable £125 rent pre-payment. Please note that this payment will be deducted from the rent balance after check-in.

APPLICATION TOP TIPS

- Apply as soon as possible after receiving the housing information email.
- Declare any special needs or disabilities within the online application.
- Upload a profile picture which will allow staff to identify new residents on arrival.
- Take time to complete the profile so the best decision can be made when self-selecting the room and/or flat.
- Get in touch with the accommodation office if you have any issues or queries.

COMPARE OUR SITES

			
Sites:	The Royal (GSA Halls)	Knockomie (GSA Managed)	Forres Flats (Private Providers)
Location:	Tytler Street, Forres, IV36 1EL	4 Grantown Road, Forres, IV36 2SG	Various locations throughout Forres town
Who can apply:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postgraduates attending the GSA Highlands & Islands campus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postgraduates attending the GSA Highlands & Islands campus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postgraduates attending the GSA Highlands & Islands campus
Cost per week:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small: £137 • Medium: £144 • Large: £150 • Extra Large: £157 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium ensuite: £254 • Large ensuite: £266 • Extra Large ensuite: £278 • 2X Extra Large ensuite: £315 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single Flat/Apartment OR Two Bedroom Flat/Apartment Share: ranges from £121-£200pp depending on flat selected
Utilities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All utilities including high-speed WiFi are included within the rent, except the laundry which is on a pay-as-you-go service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All utilities including high-speed WiFi are included within the rent, except the laundry which is on a pay-as-you-go service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilities are NOT included in the rent and this will be an excess of approximately £110 per month (depending on usage)
Insurance:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included (terms and conditions apply) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included (terms and conditions apply) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Included (terms and conditions apply)
Bed size:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bed size vary depending on the room type, more information is available when making an online booking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bed size vary depending on the room type, more information is available when making an online booking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bed size vary depending on the flat type, more information is available when making an online booking
Distance to Campus:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 minutes on the GSA provided bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 minutes on the GSA provided bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 minutes on the GSA provided bus

Sites:	The Royal (GSA Halls)	Knockomie (GSA managed)	Forres Flats (private providers)
Onsite Lift:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No
Catered:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No, self-catered 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (breakfasts & dinners only, included within rent. Snacks/lunches are not included) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No, self-catered
Communal Areas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared kitchen and washrooms/toilets • Large outdoor garden • Two large communal areas for socialising or studying onsite 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to a shared dry kitchen used for basic food preparation • Dining Room • Living Room • Large Garden 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared kitchen and living room with up to 1 other resident for two bedroom flats or sole use for one bedrooms flats
Provided:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mattress, protector and topper • Toilet brush • Bedside lamp • Kitchen Appliances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mattress, protector and topper • Toilet brush • Bedside lamp • Breakfasts/dinners • Cutlery, dining and basic food preparation utensils 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mattress, protector and topper • Kitchen Appliances
NOT provided:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duvets • Linen • Toilet Roll • Kitchen equipment such as cutlery, pots, pans etc. • Any other item not listed in what is provided above • TV license is NOT included • Food, self-catered 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duvets • Linen • Toilet Roll • Any other item not listed in what is provided above • TV license is NOT included • Snacks/lunches 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duvets • Linen • Toilet Roll • Kitchen equipment such as cutlery, pots, pans etc. • Any other item not listed in what is provided above. • TV license is NOT included • Food, self-catered
Parking:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited and first come first serve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited and first come first serve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited and first come first serve
Cycle Storage:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (external only and resident must provide their own bike lock) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No
Staffing:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus staff or security contactable via phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus staff or security contactable via phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus staff or security contactable via phone



FAQS

ARE THERE ADAPTED FACILITIES/OPTIONS?

Please email accommodation@gsa.ac.uk to discuss with a member of the accommodation team.

CAN I BRING MY PET?

Animals are not allowed in halls, even for a short period. This is written into the tenancy agreement. Some exceptions do apply. For the GSA animal policy, please email accommodation@gsa.ac.uk.

WHAT IF I HOLD AN OFFER FOR FORRES AND GLASGOW?

If you have not decided on whether to accept a place to study at the GSA in Glasgow or Forres, you can still make a housing application. Please email accommodation@gsa.ac.uk to inform us.

HOW LONG IS THE TENANCY AND DO I NEED TO MOVE OUT DURING THE WINTER/SPRING BREAK?

We offer a 51 week tenancy (September-September) to postgraduates studying in the GSA Highlands & Islands campus. No, residents do not need to vacate during the breaks. The bedroom/flat is accessible for the entirety of the tenancy.

CAN I BRING A FRIEND, FAMILY MEMBER OR PARTNER?

Residents are able to have visitors for a maximum of 3 nights within 1 month. Residents cannot move anyone into the properties on a permanent basis. This is written into the tenancy agreement.

WHAT IF I WANT TO CANCEL MY TENANCY AND MOVE OUT?

Once checked in and keys have been collected, residents are committed to the tenancy for the tenancy length booked, and obligated to pay the rent in full, unless no longer studying at the GSA through course withdrawal or leave of absence.

WHAT IS THE LOCAL AREA LIKE?

Situated in Moray, about 27 miles north east of the Highland capital of Inverness, the town boasts a classic castle with impressive parks and gardens. Home to a number of craft shops and art galleries, Forres and the surrounding area hosts a number of cultural events, including the carnival style Culture Day and bi-annual Findhorn Bay Arts Festival in September. You will never get bored of the scenic forest and coastal walks available, alongside the sand and pebbles beaches. Our accommodation sites are within walking distance of local amenities.



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