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APPLICATION PROCESS

SELECTION CRITERIA

We take into consideration first those who;

- Live out with the daily travel distance
- Are new to the GSA and independent living
- Declare a special need/disability which impacts housing requirements

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Applications open in late February or early March.
- If you receive a course offer by the GSA you will receive an automatic email from the accommodation office with full details on how to make an online application.
- We will review your application alongside our selection criteria.
- Once your online application has been processed you will receive direct email correspondence containing the outcome of your housing application.
- If we are in a position to offer you housing, you will be invited back to our accommodation portal to select your room, sign the tenancy agreement and pay the non-refundable £125 rent pre-payment. Please note that this will be deducted from the rent balance after check-in.
- If we are not in a position to offer you GSA housing, we will refer you to the [GSA Student Support Services](#) for advice and support on finding housing in the private sector.

APPLICATION TOP TIPS

- Apply as soon as you have received the housing information email.
- Declare any special needs or disabilities within the online application.
- Upload a profile selfie so staff can identify you on arrival.
- Take your time to complete your profile so you can make the best decision when self selecting your flat.
- Get in touch with us if you have any issues or queries.

COMPARE OUR SITES

			
Sites:	Margaret Macdonald House (GSA Halls)	Blythwood House (GSA Halls)	IQ Elgin Place (PBSA Partnership)
Location:	89 Buccleuch Street G3 6QT	200 West Regent Street, G2 4DQ	240 Bath Street, Glasgow, G2 4JW
Who can apply:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undergraduate • Semester 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undergraduate • Postgraduate • Semester • Portfolio Preparation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 full year Postgraduate (September-September)
Cost per week:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard: £144.16 • Ensuite £156.88 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuite £181.30 • Two bedroom shared apartment £235.32pp 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bronze Ensuite £232.19
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"> • All utilities including high-speed WiFi are included within the rent, except the laundry which is on a pay-as-you-go service
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"> • Single 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuite: Small Double • Two bedroom shared apartment: Double 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Double
Walking distance to Campus:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stow: 3 minutes • Reid: 3 minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stow: 8 minutes • Reid: 3 minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stow: 8 minutes • Reid: 3 minutes
Onsite Lift:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes

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Communal Areas:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared kitchen and living room with up to 7 other residents • Outdoor courtyard • Access to Blythwood House common rooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared kitchen and living room with up to 7 other residents • Cinema Room • Games Room • Study & Make Room • Snug 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared kitchen and living room with up to 7 other residents • Gym • Amphitheatre • Games Room • Studio Space • Private Dining Room • City View Roof Top Terrace
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 • Kitchen Appliances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mattress, protector and topper • Kitchen Appliances • Communal TVs (TV license included for provided TVs only)
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 • 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 • Kitchen equipment such as cutlery, pots, pans etc. • Any other item not listed in what is provided above. • TV license is NOT included for personal streaming devices • Food, self-catered
Parking:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited and first come first serve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No
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"> • Yes (internal only and resident must provide their own bike lock) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes (internal only and resident must provide their own bike lock)
Staffing:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out of Hours: Campus security contactable via phone • Day: BWH Accommodation Office Mon-Fri 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out of Hours: Campus security contactable via phone • Day: BWH Accommodation Office open Mon-Fri 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out of Hours: Night reception/security • Day: Reception open Mon-Fri



JOIN THE RESIDENT LIFE TEAM

WHAT IS RESLIFE?

Reslife is a team based within our accommodation who assist with the pastoral care of residents and aim to build a strong and inclusive community. The Reslife team at GSA Halls is focused on providing a good grounding for life at GSA, looking out for students' wellbeing and to run events that our residents can participate in. Our Reslife team members are all currently studying at the GSA.

In addition to providing onsite support, Reslife regularly organise events and activities for residents with some events hosted in collaboration with other groups at the School such as GSA Sustainability, The Art School Student Association and Student Support. Reslife also collect relevant and engaging content for our social media channels.

Recent events and activities have included:

- Film screenings in Blythswood House's cinema room
- Walking tours of Glasgow, including a vintage and thrift shop tour of the West End and local art galleries/exhibitions
- Fitness sessions including yoga and pilates
- Craft sessions and workshops using recycled materials in a dedicated making common room
- Beer making and pickling workshops with GSA Sustainability

HOW WILL JOINING RESLIFE BENEFIT ME?

- Add the experience to your CV and use us as a reference for future employment
- Receive a reduction in rent in exchange for 6 hours per week

HOW DO I APPLY?

Please email accommodation@gsa.ac.uk to enquire about an application pack and further details.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

ARE THERE ADAPTED FACILITIES/OPTIONS?

We do have adapted facilities available in some sites. Please email accommodation@gsa.ac.uk to discuss this further with a member of staff.

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.

CAN RETURNING STUDENTS APPLY FOR GSA HOUSING?

We can no longer facilitate returning students to halls unless in extenuating circumstances. If you feel that this applies to you, please email accommodation@gsa.ac.uk to discuss this further.

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

Tenancy length durations vary depending on your course length. We offer semester stays to those staying for only one semester, 39 weeks to undergraduates and 39 or 51 weeks to postgraduates. No, you do not require to vacate during the breaks. Your bedroom and flat is your home for the entirety of the tenancy.

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

Once you have checked in and collected your keys, you are committed to the tenancy for the tenancy length booked and obligated to pay the rent in full, unless you are no longer studying at the GSA.

WHAT IS THE LOCAL AREA LIKE?

One of the friendliest cities in the UK, Glasgow is bursting with cultural attractions, places to eat, pubs, bars, and night clubs, and a lively music and comedy scene with [The Stand](#), [King Tut's Wah Wah Hut](#), [The SSE Hydro](#), and plenty more in close proximity of the The Glasgow School of Art's Halls of Residences. The slogan *People Make Glasgow* truly represents the city, making student life incredibly special. Our city centre sites are a 2 minute walk from Sauchiehall Street where you will also find clothing, food shops and pharmacies.



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