

## WELCOME TO AUSTIN!

We are very excited to have you at our school! To help you transition to your life in Austin, we have made this list of housing options in Austin. We hope that you find it helpful.

### Some things to pay attention to:

- This list is meant to be a general guide to the housing options near Austin Language Learning School. There are other housing options that are not mentioned here, and you are welcome to do your own research about those.
- The information given here about apartments, dorms, student housing, and co-ops was found on the housing options' websites, and in some cases by directly calling the leasing office. Be aware that prices, rooms, and policies are subject to change. We recommend that you contact these housing options directly to get the most up-to-date information.
- The host families listed on this document are simply recommendations of people in our area who have expressed interest in housing an international student. The student will need to contact the host family directly. All communication and agreements must be arranged between the student and the family.

*Important:* As per our policy, Austin Language Learning School will provide assistance in finding housing for students. However, ALLS **does not** hold any responsibility for the provision of student housing. It is the student's responsibility to secure the housing as well as manage all of the housing processes and issues that might arise. This includes host families. Austin Language Learning School will **not** be responsible for setting up or formalizing any agreements between host family and student. If you do choose to live with a host family, you and your host **must** sign a form stating that you understand that Austin Language Learning School is not responsible.

As you begin your search for housing, here is a useful document that provides good questions you can ask when contacting the housing options: <http://www.utexas.edu/provost/housing/resources/questions.php>

## **HOST FAMILIES / HOME STAYS**

Staying with a family is a great way to experience the culture here by connecting with the people who live here! It will also provide you with more opportunities to practice English outside of the classroom.

We have some families in our database that are very eager to host a student. We will do our best to match you with one of these families. However, if we cannot match you, we encourage you to do your own search.

These websites are worth checking into regularly for new host families in the Austin, Texas area (some sites require fees):

<http://usa.international-experience.net/>

<http://homestayfinder.com/>

<http://us.homestaynetwork.com/>

<http://www.homestayin.com/Austin-TX>

<http://www.homestayweb.com/>

## **STUDENT HOUSING / APARTMENTS / CO-OPS**

### ***The difference:***

- Student housing: These are housing options that are typically close to university campuses, and many of the tenants that live here are students (so the prices are generally cheaper). Student housing usually offers private or shared rooms or suites. Some student housing offers meal plans.
- Co-ops: This is a housing option that is run by the people who live here. Co-ops usually require the people who live there to do chores 5 hours a week--cooking or cleaning, for example. Meals are usually included in the price.

### **Things to Pay Attention to:**

The prices provided below are the prices for the least expensive room offered to give you an idea of the price range of the housing. Please check the website for more information about other rooms offered (private, shared, suite, etc.) and their prices.

It can be difficult to find places that allow leases shorter than a year. As you search, make sure you ask about “re-let” options (current tenants that want to leave will sell the remainder of their lease to you) and about “sub-lease” or “sub-let” options (current tenants are away from their room and want to rent their place to others for a period of time).

<b>Name/Distance/Contact</b>	<b>Leases/Prices (see note above)/Roommates</b>	<b>Utilities/Furnished/Amenities</b>	<b>Other notes</b>
<p><b>ICC Austin Coop</b> Coop</p> <p>9 Houses near UT campus 15-20 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://iccaustin.coop/">http://iccaustin.coop/</a> 512-476-1957</p>	<p>1 month contracts in summer or semester contracts in academic year: Aug-Dec, Jan-May</p> <p>shared: \$565/month single: \$720/month</p> <p>Roommate matching available (based on gender)</p>	<p>utilities: electricity, gas, water, internet included</p> <p>Furnished: guarantee twin size mattress; sometimes furniture is left in the rooms</p> <p>Amenities: washers and dryers; varies across each house</p>	<p>Some houses allow pets</p> <p>**Every member does 5 hours of labor/chores each week</p> <p>Meals included in rent</p>
<p><b>Goodall Wooten</b> Student Housing</p> <p>2112 Guadalupe Street, Austin 15 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.goodallwooten.com/">http://www.goodallwooten.com/</a> 512.472.1343 or 512.485.7500</p>	<p>Monthly lease is possible</p> <p>\$455/month per person (shared) \$910/month (large private)</p> <p>Roommate matching available, based on personality</p>	<p>utilities: gas, trash, water, cable</p> <p>Furnished: bed, desk, chair, drawers, small fridge in room</p> <p>amenities: housekeeping included once a week, laundry facilities, kitchen facilities, security system, resident advisors, computer facilities</p>	<p>It's a social community</p> <p>Talk to Kevin for information, he is very helpful</p>

<p><b>Dobie</b> Student housing</p> <p>2021 Guadalupe St 15 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.dobiecenter.com/">http://www.dobiecenter.com/</a> 512.505.1000</p>	<p>Semester contract is possible</p> <p>\$923/month (shared) *with 10 meals</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>utilities: all included</p> <p>furnished: bed, desk, chair, drawers</p> <p>amenities: computer lab, free wifi, free printing, fitness center, game room, resident advisors</p>	<p>Different meal plans provided</p>
<p><b>26 West</b> Student housing</p> <p>600 West 26th Street, Austin 10 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://26-west.com/">http://26-west.com/</a></p>	<p>9 month contracts (or, ask to re-let a room)</p> <p>\$834/month (4 bedroom, 2 bath) \$1400/month (private)</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: cable, internet, trash</p> <p>Furnished: available</p> <p>Amenities: swimming pool, BBQ grills, fitness center, computer center</p>	
<p><b>Vintage West</b> Student Housing</p> <p>904 W 22nd 1/2 St 5 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.vintagewestcampus.com/">http://www.vintagewestcampus.com/</a> 512.478.9811</p>	<p>August-July (1 year) re-let is possible</p> <p>\$675/month (4 bedroom, 4 bathrooms with loft) \$750/month (private)</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: cable, internet, trash</p> <p>Furnished: available</p> <p>Amenities: swimming pool, BBQ grills, fitness center, computer center</p>	<p>\$55.00 Application fee \$200.00 Administrative fee \$100.00 Security Deposit</p>

<p><b>Axis West</b> Student Housing</p> <p>2505 Longview Street 5 Minute Walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.axiswestcampus.com/index.php">http://www.axiswestcampus.com/index.php</a> (512) 961-8999</p>	<p>12 month (sublease an option) (re-let)</p> <p>\$835/month (4 bed, 2 bath) \$1000 (private)</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: cable and internet</p> <p>Furnished: sofa, chair, tables, mattress, bed frame, desk, drawers *extra \$40/month</p> <p>Amenities: washer/dryer in apartment, parking garage, fitness studio, gaming area, cafe and lounge, billiards</p>	
<p><b>The Block</b> Student Housing</p> <p>6 locations near campus 5-15 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.theblockwestcampus.com/">http://www.theblockwestcampus.com/</a> 512-472-2562</p>	<p>Usually 1 year (check sublease options)</p> <p>**Must contact for pricing</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: internet and cable included, trash</p> <p>Furnished: available</p> <p>Amenities: game room, rooftop lounges, fitness center, parking garages, washer/dryer in every apartment</p>	
<p><b>Pointe on Rio</b> Student Housing</p> <p>1901 Rio Grande Street, Austin 10 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://pointeonrio.com">http://pointeonrio.com</a> 512-298-4781</p>	<p>Full year (re-let an option)</p> <p>\$1000 (private) *call for pricing</p> <p>Roommate matching</p>	<p>Utilities: cable, internet, trash</p> <p>Furnished: available *extra \$25/month</p> <p>Amenities: pool, tanning, coffee bar, fitness center, on-site parking, lounge, controlled access, study room, washer/dryer in every unit</p>	

<p><b>The Castilian</b> Student Housing</p> <p>2323 San Antonio Street, Austin 10 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://thecastilian.com/">http://thecastilian.com/</a> 512-478-9811</p>	<p>Semester leases (Aug-Dec, Jan-May)</p> <p>\$1020/month (2 bedroom, 1 bath) *unlimited meal plans \$1570/month (private) *unlimited meal plans</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: all included</p> <p>Furnished: each room has twin beds, dresser, study desk, chair, mini fridge</p> <p>Amenities: game room, computer room, laundry facility, fitness center</p>	<p>Extra \$50/month charge for short term leases</p> <p>Non-refundable application fee: \$50 Refundable security deposit: \$200 Confirmation fee due upon lease signing: \$400</p>
<p><b>The Callaway</b> Student Housing</p> <p>505 West 22nd Street, Austin 15 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.callawayhouseaustin.com/">http://www.callawayhouseaustin.com/</a> 512.582.0200</p>	<p>Usually 10 month leases (check for re-let)</p> <p>\$1288 (2 bedroom, 2 bath) *unlimited meals</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: all included</p> <p>Furnished: sofas, tables, beds, study desk, chair, dresser, microwaves, fridges</p> <p>Amenities: fitness center, recreational lounge, full service dining hall, study areas, computer labs, iPad stations, laundry facilities</p>	<p>No private apartments offered</p>
<p><b>The Villas on Guadalupe</b> Student Housing</p> <p>2810 Hemphill Park, Austin 20 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.villasonguadalupe.com/">http://www.villasonguadalupe.com/</a> 512-220-0200</p>	<p>Full year (re-let is option; own responsibility)</p> <p>\$1355/month (private) \$930-960/month (2 bed 2 bath)</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: internet and cable</p> <p>Furnished: available</p> <p>Amenities: pool, fitness center, computer lab, garage parking, music practice rooms, tanning</p>	

<p><b>The Venue on Guadalupe</b> Student Housing</p> <p>2815 Guadalupe Street, Austin 20 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://venueonguadalupe.com/">http://venueonguadalupe.com/</a> 512-473-3706</p>	<p>Full year (sub-lease for summer) (re-let option)</p> <p>\$1200 (private) \$995 (2 bed 2 bath)</p> <p>Roommate matching</p>	<p>Utilities: cable, internet</p> <p>Furnished: available</p> <p>Amenities: pool, fitness center, shops on first floor, elevators, access gates, covered permit parking</p>	
<p><b>University Estates</b> Student Housing</p> <p>1300 Crossing Place, Austin 25 minute <b>drive</b> to Austin</p> <p><a href="http://www.universityestatesat.austin.com/">http://www.universityestatesat.austin.com/</a> 512-919-8600</p>	<p>6 month contracts available</p> <p>\$572/month (4 bedrooms, 4 bath)</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: all included</p> <p>Furnished: couch, chair, tables, mattress, bed frame, desk, dresser</p> <p>Amenities: gaming area, pool, tennis and basketball courts, washer/dryer in every apartment, balconies</p>	<p>*no private apartments offered</p>
<p><b>University Village</b> Student Housing</p> <p>1301 Crossing Pl, Austin 25 minute <b>drive</b> to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.universityvillageaustin.com/">http://www.universityvillageaustin.com/</a> 512-247-7711</p>	<p>6 month lease available</p> <p>\$555/month (4 bedroom, 4 bath)</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: cable, internet, trash, water</p> <p>Furnished: couch, chair, tables, mattress, bed frame, desk, dresser</p> <p>Amenities: gaming area, pool, tennis and basketball courts, coffee bar</p>	<p>*no private apartments available</p>

<p><b>Ion at East End</b> Student Housing</p> <p>1600 Wickersham Lane 20 minute <b>drive</b> to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.studenthousingaustin.com/">http://www.studenthousingaustin.com/</a> 512-385-7300</p>	<p>3 month lease available</p> <p>\$410/month (4 bed, 2 bath)</p> <p>Roommate matching available</p>	<p>Utilities: all</p> <p>Furnished: yes</p> <p>Amenities: fitness center, gaming area, pool, sports courts, tanning, iPod stations</p>	<p><b>*ask about its partner apartments:</b> The Edge, The Zone, and The Ballpark--all of them have similar prices and are on the same block</p> <p>*private apartment available, call for details</p> <p>*extra \$75 for short term lease</p>
<p><b>West 24th</b> Apartments</p> <p>1302 West 24th Street 3 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.west24thstreetapts.com/">http://www.west24thstreetapts.com/</a> 512-477-3619</p>	<p>9 month lease available (check for sublease options)</p> <p>\$1075/month (1 bed, 1 bath)</p>	<p>Utilities: all except electricity</p> <p>Furnished: No</p> <p>Amenities: laundry facilities, free parking, balconies</p>	<p>*short leases have added cost</p>
<p><b>Cobalt</b> Apartments</p> <p>1616 Royal Crest Drive 20 minute <b>drive</b> to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://cobaltaustin.com/">http://cobaltaustin.com/</a> 512-444-6116</p>	<p>3 month leases available</p> <p>\$875/month (1 bed, 1 bath)</p>	<p>Utilities:</p> <p>Furnished:</p> <p>Amenities: pool</p>	<p>*short term leases cost an extra \$100/month</p> <p>5 minute walk to bus routes</p> <p>\$99 security deposit fee</p>

<p><b>San Gabriel Square Apartments</b></p> <p>2212 San Gabriel, Austin 5 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p>(512) 457-1182</p>	<p>12 month (sublease is possible)</p> <p>\$649 (studio)</p>	<p>Utilities: call for details</p> <p>Furnished: No</p> <p>Amenities: free parking, on-site laundry</p>	
<p><b>Camino Real Apartments</b></p> <p>2810 Salado St, Austin 15 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.marquisliving.com/camino-real-apartments.html">http://www.marquisliving.com/camino-real-apartments.html</a></p> <p>(512) 472-3816</p>	<p>Full year</p> <p>\$875 (studio)</p>	<p>Utilities: gas, wifi included</p> <p>Furnished: no</p> <p>Amenities: wifi, basic, pool, gated, barbeque area</p>	

## **Hostels**

Hostels are different from hotels because you can reserve a bed instead of a room. For example, you sleep in a room with 6 other people. Female-only rooms and male-only rooms are sometimes offered. Private rooms are also available at hostels.

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<p><b>Drifter Jack's Hostel</b> Hostel</p> <p>2602 Guadalupe Street 15 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p>(512) 243-8410 / <a href="http://drifterjackshostel.com/">http://drifterjackshostel.com/</a></p>	<p>2 weeks maximum**</p> <p>\$28/night on weekdays, \$30/night on weekends (shared)</p> <p>\$75 (private)</p>	<p>Amenities: breakfast, wifi, computer facilities, parking, lockers, recreational room, washer/dryer for \$1 each, mini-fridge in room, one free beer next door</p>	<p>**longer stay is possible, but you need to talk to the manager. If you were a good guest, he might allow you to stay longer</p> <p>Offers female only rooms</p> <p>Local artists have painted a beautiful mural in each room</p>
<p><b>Firehouse Lounge</b> Hostel</p> <p>605 Brazos Street 10 minute <b>drive</b> to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.firehousehostel.com">http://www.firehousehostel.com</a> 512.201.2522</p>	<p>10 days maximum stay</p> <p>\$29/night weekdays (shared) \$35/night weekends (shared)</p>	<p>Amenities: kitchen area, common area, free breakfast, wifi, laundry facility, lockers</p>	<p>Offers coed, only male, or only female rooms</p> <p>It used to be a Firehouse!</p>

<p><b>HI Austin Hostel</b> Hostel</p> <p>2200 S. Lakeshore Blvd 20 minute <b>drive</b> to ALLS</p> <p>toll free at 1 (800) 725-2331 <a href="http://www.hiusa.org/texas/austin/austin">http://www.hiusa.org/texas/austin/austin</a> 512.444.2294</p>	<p>2 week stay maximum</p> <p>\$26/night on weekdays (shared) \$28/night weekends (shared)</p> <p>\$58 (private)</p>	<p>Amenities: wifi, common room, free parking, free breakfast, laundry facility, lockers, kitchen</p>	<p>*need to pay a small fee to become a member to stay there</p>
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<b><i>Name/Distance/Contact</i></b>	<b><i>Prices (see note above)</i></b>	<b><i>Amenities</i></b>	<b><i>Other notes</i></b>
<p><b>1110 Carriage House Inn</b> Bed and Breakfast</p> <p>1110 W 22nd 1/2 St Austin 2 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.austin-texas-bed-and-breakfast.com/">http://www.austin-texas-bed-and-breakfast.com/</a> 512 -298-8860</p>	<p>\$165-\$400/night</p> <p>2 weeks maximum stay</p>	<p>Full breakfast included</p> <p>Garden with koi pond</p> <p>Free WiFi</p>	<p>Organic food</p> <p>A cottage and a guesthouse available!</p>

<p><b>Quarters at Hardin House</b> Inn/Bed and Breakfast</p> <p>2206 Rio Grande St 5-10 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.quartershardin.com/index.html">http://www.quartershardin.com/index.html</a> (512) 472-6717</p>	<p>\$79/night (single with a shared shower) \$99/night (single, private)</p> <p>Long-term stay available*</p>	<p>Guest parking free</p> <p>Full breakfast included</p> <p>Has exercise room</p> <p>Free WiFi</p> <p>Garden</p>	<p>Long-term stays have discounts up to 32% off</p> <p>Must smoke outside the rooms</p>
<p><b>Hotel Ella</b></p> <p>1900 Rio Grande St 10-15 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://hotelella.com/">http://hotelella.com/</a> 800-311-1619 (toll-free) 512-495-1800 (phone)</p>	<p>\$281-\$400/night</p>	<p>complimentary Wi-Fi, LED flat-screen television, in-room cordless phone, locally curated mini bar, hair dryer, vanity mirror, same-day valet laundry, luxury bed linens, bathrobes, complimentary local newspaper, twice daily housekeeping and overnight shoe shine service</p>	
<p><b>Austin's Inn at Pearl Street</b> Inn</p> <p>1809 Pearl St 10-15 minute walk to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.innpearl.com/">http://www.innpearl.com/</a> 512-478-0051</p>	<p>\$185-\$300/night</p> <p>Long-term stays available</p> <p>Check here for "renters": <a href="http://www.innpearl.com/renters.htm">http://www.innpearl.com/renters.htm</a> (fully furnished apartment, has full kitchen)</p>	<p>Breakfast <b>not</b> included</p>	<p>*Weekdays and long-term stays are offered usually at lower rates and 30-night stays are tax exempt. Some holidays and weekends generally have higher rates.</p> <p>Rooms are available in one of two historical vintage downtown Austin homes located on the same property</p>

<p><b>Hampton and Inn Suites</b></p> <p>1701 Lavaca St</p> <p><a href="http://www.hotel-austintx.com/">http://www.hotel-austintx.com/</a> +1-512-499-8881</p>	<p>\$178+/night</p>	<p>complimentary breakfast, on site coin laundry, and free high speed internet access</p> <p>pool</p> <p>fitness room</p>	
<p><b>DoubleTree Suits</b></p> <p>303 W 15th St</p> <p>TEL: +1-512-478-7000 <a href="http://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/index.html">http://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/index.html</a></p>	<p>\$199+/night</p> <p>1 or 2 bedroom suites with kitchens</p>	<p>free shuttle (bus)</p> <p>outdoor pool</p> <p>Wifi included</p> <p>coin laundry</p>	<p>Across the street from the Capitol building!</p>
<p><b>Embassy Suites Austin</b> Extended Stay Hotel</p> <p>300 South Congress Avenue, Austin</p> <p>+1-512-469-9000 <a href="http://embassysuites3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/embassy-suites-austin-downtown-town-lake-AUSLKES/index.html">http://embassysuites3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/embassy-suites-austin-downtown-town-lake-AUSLKES/index.html</a></p>	<p>Extended stay possible</p> <p>\$159+/night</p> <p>Two-room suites with a kitchenette (small fridge, microwave)</p>	<p>Free cooked-to-order breakfast</p> <p>Fitness room</p> <p>Pool</p> <p>Wifi included</p> <p>Coin laundry</p> <p>Bar area</p>	

<p><b>Orangewood Suites Hotel</b></p> <p>935 La Posada Drive, Austin 12 minute drive to ALLS</p> <p>(512) 459-3335 <a href="http://www.orangewoodsuites.com/">http://www.orangewoodsuites.com/</a></p>	<p>\$129+/night</p> <p>Suites with full kitchen, spacious living area with desk and ergonomic chair, TV, wood burning fireplace, sofa sleeper, and a patio or balcony</p>	<p>Free Wifi</p> <p>Complimentary Daily Hot Breakfast Buffet</p> <p>Outdoor Pool</p> <p>Fitness center</p>	
<p><b>Extended Stay America</b></p> <p>3 or more locations in Austin 7-25 minute drive to ALLS</p> <p><a href="http://www.extendedstayamerica.com/hotels/tx/austin">http://www.extendedstayamerica.com/hotels/tx/austin</a></p>	<p>\$110-140+/night</p>	<p>Depends on which location is chosen</p>	