Student Housing & Residential Life
Off-Campus Housing Section



Off-Campus Connection

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What's up!

Off-Campus Residents Orientation 16/17

An Orientation to facilitate residents' stay in the off-campus apartments was held on 7 Sep. During the Orientation, our Senior Manager Mr. Tang introduced the roles and services of the Off-Campus Housing Section as well as information regarding day-to-day dwelling in Hong Kong. Mr. Lau, an Inspector from Tseung Kwan O Police Station offered case sharing to raise residents' awareness on off-campus living safety and security. University HSE Specialist Mr. Lam familiarized residents with local household electrical safety standards and regulations. Refreshment were served after the talk.

The Orientation was attended by almost all off-campus residents and the information shared were welcomed in general. Residents' feedback was very positive overall and some mentioned that we were the only unit who organized such informative event for them to adapt to daily life here. *Read more*



Mid-Autumn Festival Gathering

A Mid-Autumn Festival Gathering was held on 15 Sep. During the Gathering, traditional folk story on the origin of the Mid-Autumn Festival was shared among residents, and popular celebrations related to the Mid-Autumn Festival like Tai Hang Fire Dragon Dance and Mid-Autumn Lantern Carnivals were introduced. Residents chatted with each other about the special traditions in their hometown and played festival riddles together. *Read more*



Activities & Programs

"Go Clean & Green" Cleanliness Campaign

A "Go Clean & Green" Cleanliness Campaign was launched in the Residential Year 2015/16, helping residents maintain a clean and comfortable living environment in



the rented off-campus apartments. It is the second time for us to run the Campaign this year and we have revised some of the scoring methods based on previous experience to give residents clearer participation instructions. *Read*

<u>more</u>

Housing Coordinator Program

The Housing Coordinator Program was launched to ensure that off-campus residents have a harmonious comfortable living environment and maintain effective communication with our office. As a Housing Coordinator, you are expected to:

- be responsible for reporting defects spotted in the common area on behalf of your housemates;
- keep housemates posted on the progress of defects handling and maintenance;
- take the initiative to establish some agreements with your housemates on the duties and arrangements in the apartment;
- 4. coordinate activities that are organized by SHRL.

Off-campus Living and You

Home Visit

"Home Visits" were carried out by our Staff Advisor Miss Stephanie JIN on 26 and 27 Oct respectively. During the Visits, issues like residents' feelings, concerns, questions and suggestions regarding living in the rented apartments were discussed. A "Home Visit Survey" was conducted to find out the residents' needs and opinions

on OCHS services. Residents' feedback on our services was generally satisfactory. Many of them expressed appreciation towards the visit and activities we had held for them.

Below are some major issues which were raised and discussed during the Visit:

Q: Can I have more face to face interactions with OCHS staff?

A: Of course we are glad to meet residents in and out of our office. If you need general assistance on off- campus housing, you can make an appointment by emailing to offcamphouse@ust.hk for a face to face meeting with our



Staff Advisor. We also organize all kinds of activities, like talks, visits, flat viewing tours, gatherings from time to time. Stay tuned to our mass email and sign up for the activities to interact with our staff and other residents as well.

Q: Is it possible to add the regular cleaning frequency from once a month to twice a month?

A: By launching the Cleanliness Campaign, we encourage residents to set up their own cleaning schedule and duties among housemates/roommates apart from regular cleaning. Meanwhile we have manpower and checking system to assure the quality of cleaning service. Residents are welcome to let us know if you have enquiries on current cleaning service.

News & Events

Date	Event	Remark
7 Dec	Talk on Renting Off-campus Apartments	
8 Dec	Flat Viewing Tour to Tai Po Tsai	Stay tuned to our mass email for
20 Dec	Tea Time Gathering With Housing	registration details.
	Coordinators	
22 Dec	Christmas Gathering and Gift-Exchange	
10 Feb	Lunar New Year Lantern Carnivals	
On-going Event		
Nov 16 - Jan 17	"Go Clean & Green" Rented Off-Campus Apartments Cleanliness Campaign	



Express I:

Address: No.22, Tseng Lan Shue, Clear Water Bay. Apartment available date: 2016-11-01

Layout: 2-Bedroom flat Size (ft2): 650

Monthly rental (HK\$): 15,000

Description:

A flat in a newly built village house on 2/F. The rent includes rooftop

Express II:

Address: Woo Mei Village, Sai Kung . Apartment available date: 2016-10-05

Layout: 2-bedroom flat Size (ft2): 350

Monthly rental (HK\$): 7,600

Description:

10 mins bus to HKUST. Commission required



All rental information are posted either by landlords or agents directly and we are listing in here those that are recently posted. For information posted earlier, click here to browse more.