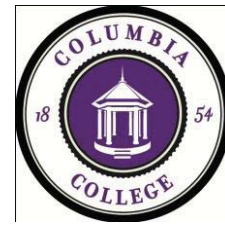




# To Live on Campus! 2011-2012



Office of Residence Life

2010-2011 Average Charges	Average On Campus Cost (9 months)	Average Off Campus Cost (9 month Lease) which is rare to be able to secure	Average Off Campus Cost (12 Month Lease)
<b>Upfront Cost</b>	\$100.00 Room Deposit Applied to fall charges	\$175.00 Nonrefundable application and service charge	\$175.00 Nonrefundable application and service charge
<b>Room Cost</b>	\$3,264.00 (minus deposit) \$362.00 per month for 9 months This includes electricity, water, cable with HBO, internet, and furnished *Phone not included* (To a Monthly Cap)	\$4,095.00 \$455.00 per month for 9 months  This includes electricity, water, cable, internet, and furnished *Phone not included* (To a Monthly Cap)	\$5,460.00 \$455.00 per month for 12 months  This includes electricity, water, cable, internet, and furnished *Phone not included* (To a Monthly Cap)
<b>Food Cost</b>	15 meal plan \$3,060.00 per year \$340.00 per month \$11.32 a day for 2 meals This includes the food being prepared for you....no shopping or prep time or washing dishes.... Social time with friends in all you can eat dining hall and choice of food from dining hall or Terrace Café	\$3,510.00 per year \$390.00 per month (This includes buying groceries, and eating out)  <b>Average Time Lost living off Campus:</b> 30 hours a month preparing food 14 hours a month commuting to and from campus	\$4,680.00 per year \$390.00 per month (This includes buying groceries, and eating out)  <b>Average Time Lost living off Campus:</b> 30 hours a month preparing food 14 hours a month commuting to and from campus
<b>Gas /Transportation Cost</b>	No commute to campus	\$100.00 a month \$25.00 a week Just to commute to campus	\$100.00 a month \$25.00 a week Just to commute to campus
<b>Total Cost Per Year</b>	\$6,424.00 (9 months)	\$8680.00 (9 month Lease)	\$11,515.00 (12 month Lease)
<b>Total Cost Per Month</b>	<b>\$713.77 a month</b>	<b>\$964.00 a month</b>	<b>\$959.58 a month</b>

Live on Campus at Columbia College and save at least \$245.00 to \$250.00 a month or \$2,256 to \$5,091 a year!

Students also say they enjoy these following conveniences and attributes of living on campus:

- Safety & Security- CCPD 24 hour police protection and Front Desks in buildings
- Residence Life Professional and Student Staff (RA/A's) on call 24 hours a day. (room mediations and room change process if needed)
- Programs in the Residence Halls. Have your voice heard with the Residence Hall Association
- Being close to the action on campus, Student Activities, Athletics, Music/Art Performances, Cultural Events etc....
- Experience of living on campus with 600 friends
- Convenience of parking on the main campus
- No time to commute or wasted time due to breaks in class schedule
- Students who live on campus at Columbia College have statistically higher GPA's than those who commute
- Being close to Academic Resources such as the campus library, computer labs, math lab, communication lab, Academic Skills Center, and CEL
- Work on campus by attaining a work study job
- Being a part of the Columbia College community!