

BEFORE YOU RENT

Questions to consider before you commit yourself to a lease agreement:

WHAT TYPE OF ACCOMMODATION OR FLAT DO YOU WANT TO LIVE IN?

Room in a private house; Room in a commune/student house; Garden Flat; Apartment complex (bachelor flat, one bedroom or to share a two bedroom); Entire flat/apartment; Entire house.

WHAT IS MY TRANSPORT NEEDS?

Walking distance; Is it on a bus, train or taxi route; Is it close to shopping centres; Parking for your car.

WHAT ARE YOUR PRIVACY NEEDS?

Own bedroom; Own bathroom or are you prepared to share.

WHAT CAN YOU AFFORD?

One bedroom or studio/bachelor apartment (with bathroom and kitchen) tend to be the most expensive; The closer the accommodation is to the University of Pretoria the more expensive it is likely to be; Also consider transport and electricity cost when determining your budget.

WHAT ABOUT FURNITURE?

Most of the student accommodation will have the basic furniture: Bed, you will have to supply your own mattress Desk with a chair Cupboard Student Houses/Communes and semi-furnished flat/apartments will normally have: Stove Fridge Washing machine

WHAT IS YOUR SECURITY REQUIREMENTS?

Is your classes during the day or at night? Is the route that you have to walk between campus and your accommodation safe? Is there security gates? Is there burglar bars? Is there a fence or walls around the property?