



THE KING'S COLLEGE
NEW YORK CITY

Student Life FAQs

1. What are Chamberlains and Helmsmen?

Chamberlains and Helmsmen are students who live in campus housing and serve in leadership within their Houses. Chamberlains promote safe and healthy living environments, foster a community of accountability, and provide on-call emergency assistance. Helmsmen strengthen House unity and identity by integrating first-year members into the culture of the House.

2. What are Housing Assistants?

Housing Assistants are student workers who help with the administration of campus housing, including conducting monthly apartment inspections.

3. How do Houses factor into my Student Life experience?

Houses serve as a primary means for building community at King's. Please refer to the [House System](#) section of our website to learn more. All students are assigned to a House. However, each student's level of involvement in the House is up to the individual student.

4. How are new students assigned to a House and roommates?

House assignments are designed to distribute elements of diversity so that a cross-section of the student body is represented in each House. Differences such as cultural heritage, geographic origin, and extracurricular interests are relevant to learning. Houses draw upon this diversity to enrich the experience of their members. To ensure that diversity is maintained, requests for placement in a specific House are not considered during the assignment process. Roommate assignments are made based off of the information students provide on their housing applications. Sleep schedule, cleaning habits, room temperature, and personal interests are all taken into consideration.

5. Are Church and prayer services a regular part of on-campus activities?

Students are not required to attend church or prayer services on campus. However, students are encouraged to participate in a regular worship gathering called Refuge. Houses offer Bible studies and small group meetings. Additionally, The King's Liturgy, a selection of Scripture readings with a devotional written by staff and faculty of the College, are emailed out each week. We highly encourage students to belong to a local church through regular participation that goes beyond attending worship service. [Faith Street](#) is a great resource for finding a local church. To learn more, visit our webpage on [Christian Community and Formation](#).



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6. Is King's a culturally diverse community?

The King's student body is comprised of 28% non-white students. Among faculty and staff, the proportion is roughly equivalent to that of the student body. The following initiatives have recently happened on-campus: a student organization, The Table, was founded for non-white students to find community and support; a small group, Race Matters, was formed; and the College hosted a school-wide panel discussion which addressed the community on racial matters.

7. Where is King's housing located?

The City Point Residence is in Brooklyn, three subway stops from the College—a 15-minute commute. The Washington, West, and 102 Greenwich Street Residences are in the Financial District of Lower Manhattan, all approximately a 5- to 7- minute walk from campus. To learn more, check out [Apartment Life](#) on our website.

8. Do staff live on campus?

A full-time staff or faculty member lives in each King's College housing location. Designated staff members are on call 24 hours a day to provide emergency assistance.

9. How safe are the King's housing locations?

While there is an element of risk in any city, our locations are well-lit and highly populated with low crime rates. We advise students to take standard safety precautions and call the 24-hour school emergency number for assistance. All our buildings have 24/7 security officers.

10. Do the buildings have an Emergency Action Plan?

The College [Emergency Action Plan](#) is available on our website.

11. How does a student get medical attention when needed?

We recommend that every student review their medical insurance before moving to NYC to ensure they are adequately covered by their plan. There are many medical resources in the City and we encourage students to use [ZocDoc](#) to find the medical services they need, covered by the medical insurance they have. The College also partners with Timely MD to bring telemedicine healthcare services to students. These resources are available 24/7 through mobile, tablet and laptop devices. Telemedicine makes access to healthcare incredibly convenient. Students may access immediate virtual appointments with a doctor for a consultation or triage. The doctors can prescribe antibiotic prescriptions and will refer students to in-person doctor visits if necessary. In the case of medical emergencies, there is a 24-hour school emergency phone number available.



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12. How long is the travel time between King's housing and the main campus at 56 Broadway?

The City Point Residence is three subway stops from campus, an approximately 15-minute commute. The Washington, West, and 102 Greenwich Street Residences are a 5- to 7-minute walk from 56 Broadway.

13. How much will it cost for transportation to and from the main campus?

Most students purchase unlimited 30-Day MetroCards for \$121.00. This allows them to travel freely and take advantage of all the city has to offer. MetroCards can be purchased in any subway station.

14. Do current students work to help meet the cost of attendance at King's?

Many students work part-time to help cover the cost of attendance and/or their living expenses. We recommend students do not work more than 20 hours per week during the school year. At the beginning of the Fall semester the College hosts a job fair to connect students to local companies looking for part-time employees. There are a limited number of student worker positions on campus.

15. Is there a gym/health club nearby?

Yes! Gyms are plentiful in the City and many offer student discounts. Gyms can be found near any of our housing locations and near our main campus at 56 Broadway. Here are some options:

- Planet Fitness – Located directly across the street from the King's campus at 56 Broadway.
- New York Health & Racquet Club – Locations all over NYC, including one at 39 Whitehall Street.
- New York Sports Club – Locations all over NYC, including one at 30 Wall Street.
- Eastern Athletic Club – Located at 43 Clark Street in Brooklyn.

16. What is the availability and cost of laundry facilities?

Laundry facilities at the Washington and West Residences cost approximately \$5.00 for a combined wash and dry. Machines are "high-efficiency" (HE), so HE detergent is recommended. All of the City Point Residence apartments come with a washer and dryer. Laundry facilities at 102 Greenwich Street Residences are free.

17. Can I purchase TV/cable options?

No. Because students move in and out of housing so frequently, we do not allow students to purchase TV or cable options.

18. Is wireless internet provided in the apartments?

Yes.

19. What size mattresses are provided?

All mattresses are standard twin size.



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20. Can I have a pet?

The only pets allowed are fish that are kept in a container no larger than two gallons.

21. What is the alcohol policy in student housing?

Alcohol and alcohol containers are not permitted anywhere in College housing, including stairwells and roofs.

22. Can I have overnight guests?

Only same-sex overnight guests are permitted in King's housing. To host a same-sex overnight guest, students must submit an Overnight Guest Request through the student portal. Restrictions apply regarding frequency and number of visitors per night/semester. A detailed explanation of this policy can be found in our [Student Handbook](#).

23. What if I have a maintenance request?

Maintenance and repair requests can be submitted online using the [Maintenance Request Form](#). Students should only contact building security or the front desk in cases requiring immediate attention (e.g. flooding, loss of electricity).

24. Can I retract my housing commitment at any time?

No. Contracts generally require a full academic year-long commitment and are non-refundable. You may contact Student Life at housing@tkc.edu for more questions about the housing contract.

25. What do I do if I have problems with roommates?

While students are encouraged to address conflicts directly with one another, House Chamberlains and Helmsmen and Student Life staff are available to intervene when necessary. Room changes are not the primary means for resolving roommate conflicts; rather, students are encouraged to develop skills to resolve differences with the help of their Helmsman, Chamberlain, House Advisors, or Housing Director as needed. If roommates are unable to resolve conflict with the help of their Helmsman, Chamberlain, House Advisors, or Housing Director, students may request a room change by following the steps outlined in the [Student Handbook](#). Room changes are a last resort option and will only be considered after students have tried to resolve the roommate conflict first.

26. What do I do when there is an honor infraction in housing?

Honor code violations are addressed in accordance with the [Student Handbook](#) (see section on discipline and the Honor Code).

27. Can I send packages to my King's College apartment before moving in?

No. Our buildings will not accept packages until you've officially moved in because they have limited space. Once you have moved in, please pick up your packages immediately upon their arrival.



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28. Will a vacuum cleaner be available for use in student apartments?

Yes. Vacuum cleaners are available to students in carpeted rooms. Ask your Housing Assistant where to get a vacuum after you have moved into your apartment.

29. What should I pack for life in New York City?

Refer to the "What to Bring to Housing" link on the student portal. Remember, less is more.

30. Can I decorate my apartment?

While we want students to feel comfortable in their apartments, please remember that the space is shared with their roommates and is property of The King's College. Students may not paint or use large screws and nails. Students are permitted to use pushpins and small finishing nails. Please see the [Student Handbook](#) for a complete list of policies when decorating apartments.