

# Housing & Dining

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## Residence Halls

Residence hall living is an integral part of the Colorado School of Mines experience. All first-year students are required to live on campus in the residence halls, most sophomores and many upper-class students continue to live in Residence Life housing throughout their time at Mines.

The "Traditional" residence halls (Morgan, Thomas, Bradford, and Randall halls) house about 380 first-year students in single and double rooms on single gender floors, with a community-style bathroom facility on each floor. Weaver Towers has living space for 230 first-year students in suites with single and double rooms, a common living area, and two single bathroom facilities. Maple Hall is a 290-bed suite-style facility with single and double bedrooms and a few triple rooms, Maple has a semi-private bathroom in each suite shared by one other room. Elm Hall is a neighborhood-style facility offering space for 210 students in mostly double rooms, with a limited number of single and triple rooms. Elm has several community bathrooms that offer private options on each floor. Spruce Hall is our newest residence hall, housing 400 first-year students, with single, double, and triple bedrooms in a traditional community style building with community bathrooms that are gender-inclusive. Elm Hall and Spruce Hall are both options for Gender Inclusive Housing, although students of any gender identity are welcome in all of our residential spaces.

All residence halls have kitchens, study lounges, social lounges, laundry facilities, and a front desk to help with packages and to provide services to our residents. All residence hall bedrooms are equipped with a twin extra-long, loftable bed, a desk, a chair, a dresser, and a closet space for each student, as well as wired and wireless internet connections, and unlimited laundry. Students are responsible for damage to the room or furnishings. Colorado School of Mines assumes no responsibility for loss or theft of personal belongings, and residents are strongly encouraged to carry personal property, or renters insurance.

Additionally, Residence Life offers students an option to live and learn within a Signature Learning Community that is a partnership between Residence Life, administrative and academic departments, and faculty across campus. They serve as a way for students to enhance their living experience on campus. Signature Learning Communities are different kinds of communities that share different missions. There are three types of Signature Learning Community, Theme Learning Communities, Living Learning Communities, and Affinity Communities. Theme Learning Communities consist of intentionally designed living experiences centered around a variety of educational, cultural, organizational, and personal interests. These communities allow students with common interests to live together and support each other through planned activities and informal interactions, and to build relationships with faculty outside the classroom through the Faculty Friend program. Living Learning Communities are made up of students who all share a membership in a common curricular experience. Affinity communities are smaller communities comprised of students who share a connection in common around identity. We encourage you to explore the options that are possible in our Signature Learning Community program on our website by clicking here.

For all Housing & Dining rates, please see the Housing Rates web page.

## Mines Dining

Mines Dining operates a main dining hall, Mines Market, and five retail dining facilities on campus. Mines Market features all-you-care-to-eat dining, adjacent to Elm Hall. Additional retail dining facilities, including The Periodic Table (featuring Starbucks, Qdoba and a convenience store) in the Student Center, A dining location in the Student Recreation Center, Blaster's Brew in Brown Hall, Einstein Bros. Bagels in CTLM, and Zime in Spruce Hall, take student meal plans, as well as cash or credit card. Residence hall students are required to maintain a resident meal plan. Meal plans are designed to be flexible in order to best serve our student's needs.

Students not living in a residence hall may purchase any one of several voluntary meal plans which best meets their individual needs. Dining options are limited during breaks (Thanksgiving, Fall, Winter and Spring Break). For more information and hours, go to <https://www.mines.edu/student-life/blastercard/>.

For rates, please see the Residential Meal Plans page.

## Housing beyond the first year in on campus apartments

Mines is proud to offer housing to students beyond their first year in a variety of locations and housing options.

1750 Jackson is a sophomore living apartment community on the east side of campus. 1750 Jackson houses 360 students in their second year, creating options for students to live independently while living with their friends in a Residence Life supported environment. 1750 Jackson has fully furnished apartments (Twin XL loftable bed and mattress, desk, chair, dresser, couch, chair, coffee table, and stools) with kitchens for four students, living in either double or single bedrooms. There are also single studio apartments available in limited quantity. 1750 Jackson residents have wired and wireless internet connections and unlimited laundry on each floor, there are also indoor and outdoor common areas for studying, relaxing, and fun.

The Mines Park apartment community is located just west of the main campus, on 55 acres owned by Mines. The complex houses upper-class undergraduate students, graduate students, and students with partners and families. Mines Park is in the middle of a very intentional redevelopment project that includes new buildings and renovation of current apartment units. Mines Park units are complete with refrigerators, stoves, dishwashers, wired and wireless internet connections, unlimited laundry, and a Mines Park parking pass, but are not furnished units. After the completion of the redevelopment project in the fall of 2024 all apartments will have in-unit laundry, and all units will be furnished. Currently, Mines Park has a community center that contains laundry facilities, recreational and study space, and meeting rooms. For more information or to apply for apartment housing, go to the Mines Park webpage.

Residents of our apartment communities must be full-time students. Student and professional staff live within each community for any assistance, advice, support, and community building as well as emergency response.

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## **Fraternities, Sororities**

Any non-freshman student who is a member of one of the national Greek organizations with a house on campus is eligible to live in Fraternity or Sorority housing after their freshman year. Several of the Greek Houses are owned and operated by the School, while the remaining houses are owned and operated by the organizations. All full time, undergraduate students are eligible to join these organizations. For information, visit the Fraternity and Sorority Life office.