Off-Campus Housing FAQ

How can I find off-campus housing?
It is the student’s responsibility to find their off-campus housing. The Housing office can provide a listing of available apartments, rooms, and houses for rent. The best way to find housing is to plan to come to Brattleboro at least three weeks prior to Orientation. While you are looking for an apartment, there are a number of reasonable motels and campsites in town. Temporary rooms will NOT be available on campus while you are searching for off campus housing.

While a few students are able to arrange for housing prior to their arrival, it is difficult. Also, most of the available housing is listed by individual landlords and not with agencies. Most landlords own only one or two properties and they typically will not hold the property for you unless you agree to pay the rent between the times you find the property and you move in. Ask Landlord’s response to repairs, maintenance and snow removal. There are a few agencies and landlords with multiple properties that can arrange for housing prior to your arrival. Most rental properties are listed in the local newspaper, the “Brattleboro Reformer.”

How much does off-campus housing cost?
Housing can range from $450 per month for a room in someone’s house to around $1500 per month for a nice three-bedroom house. Rentals vary widely according to quality of the property, neighborhood, specific inclusions such as utilities, type of rental (apartment or house), and floor of apartment building or house. You might be asked to pay a security deposit, first and/or last months rent, but we do not recommend paying a whole semester’s rent in advance.

Do I need a car to live off-campus?
Not necessarily, although it will be somewhat difficult if you can’t find a roommate or a classmate to rideshare. The town bus runs from downtown to campus a few times in the morning and afternoon. The campus van service operates daily – one midday run and one evening run plus a few runs on Friday night, Saturday and Sunday morning.

How far from campus is most housing?
The vast majority of students live in or around Brattleboro. From downtown Brattleboro, SIT is about three miles or five-minute drive.

Are utilities included in most housing?
Apartments usually include heat, hot water, and water/sewage. Electricity is almost always the responsibility of the tenant. In many house rentals, the tenant pays for heat and how water. In some cases, water/sewage is also the responsibility of the tenants.

How many students live off-campus?
About fifty percent of SIT students live off campus. In addition, Brattleboro is home to many students attending Marlboro College, Landmark College and the Community College of Vermont.
How do I know whether or not a landlord has a good reputation renting to SIT students?
Most of the more than 100 landlords whose properties appear on our off-campus housing list have had a positive relationship with SIT students. Although SIT Graduate Institute does not vouch for the quality of any housing options listed or for the reputation or behavior of landlords, the Housing Office does maintain a (short) list of landlords who have chronically been flagged as “difficult” by past students for a variety of reasons. If you are concerned that a specific landlord may be on this list, please contact the Housing Director for verification. Refer to http://www.cvoeo.org/htm/housing/tenants/renting__in__VT.html for the information handbook for tenants and landlords.

For further information, contact:
David Finck, Director Student Activities and Residence Life, at 802-258-3365 or david.finck@sit.edu

Scroll down for list of rental opportunities
Apartments/Houses

- In Brattleboro we have affordable housing association which helps to purchases multi-family homes and then helps the owners rent them out - the association is Windham/Windsor Housing Trust – go to their website and see what is listed under apartments for rent – their website is updated weekly. You can find them at: http://www.w-wht.org/apartments-for-rent/
  Or you can call 802-254-4606 for more information.

  
  - 1 BEDROOM SUNNY STUDIO APARTMENT - Walk to downtown. In Victorian house. Quiet, tree-lined street, Off-street winter parking. No Smoking / No Pets. Available immediately. $700 month during non-heat months. $800 a month starting October. Electricity, hot water included. Call 254-9595, or email arlene@arlenedistler.com (6/24)

  
  - Sunny Apartment in the Country
    Bright, airy one bedroom apartment in West Brattleboro. Convenient, picturesque location, 5 minutes from Exit 2, 8 minutes from downtown Brattleboro, 15 minutes from SIT. Eat-in kitchen with dishwasher and wood burning stove. Small bedroom and dressing room. Good size living room. Private location next to 1850's farmhouse. Rent $750 a month, plus utilities. Available September 1, 2015. Security deposit and references required. Call 802-338-6578 or e-mail stuartcomm@gmail.com for photos and/or an appointment. (7.6)

  
  - Furnished one bedroom apartment in private home in East Dummerston, about 10 minutes from SIT. Includes heat, hot water, electricity, Satelite TV and Wi-Fi. Space includes kitchen with dishwasher, living-dining-room combination with fireplace, bedroom & access to laundry facilities and outdoor parking. An extra room may be used as an office/study. Reduced rent of $600 in exchange for some light chores such as help with snow removal, garden clean-up, feeding our cat and watering plants when we are away in winter or at other times. Contact Joyce or Robert DuBack at (802) 387-2870 (7/20)
• LARGE ONE-BEDROOM APARTMENT AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY Fully furnished large one-bedroom apartment in quiet Brattleboro neighborhood within walking distance to downtown and hospital, ten minutes from SIT. Large yard, off-street parking, and on-site laundry facilities are real pluses. No smoking and no pets. Electricity, heat and hot water included. $1,095 per month. Contact (802) 380-1795 or e-mail windeer@sover.net (7/20)

• Apartment available in West Brattleboro. This two-level clean and bright loft apartment works best for one person, as it is open-concept (except for the bathroom of course) and there is only one parking space available in the driveway. On a dirt road, 8 miles from SIT. Takes about 17-18 minutes by car, 40 minutes by bike. Includes almost everything: electric, heat, propane for cooking, wireless internet, snowplowing, etc. Currently unfurnished, but may be open to partially furnishing it with enough notice. Renter takes care of buying his/her own “pay as you throw” trash bags. Non-smoking apartment. No pets please. Contact Hanna Thurber at hannathurber@yahoo.com or 802.380.0502. (7/23)

• 1700 square feet, Colonial with many charming features for rent. Large sunny living room, with fireplace, 3 bedrooms, one and a half baths, and 2 car garage in nice neighborhood. Hardwood floors throughout. Half of the basement is finished with bar and working fireplace, washer/dryer in the unfinished half. Nice landscaped yard. Off Western Avenue, close to downtown Brattleboro. Available August 2015. Must pay all utilities (heat and hot water). First and last month rent and security deposit. References required. $1750 per month. Theodore C. Kramer Esq. T: 802-257-2221 tck@kramerlawoffices.net (7/23)

• Spacious three bedrooms, two bathrooms rental in an award winning contemporary architect-designed house located on three acres of land on a private cul-de-sac road. Only minutes from downtown Brattleboro and the farmer’s market, off Orchard St. The house has bamboo floors, radiant heat, gas stove, all new stainless steel appliances, lots of sunlight and windows. There are two studies, a tv room, dining room, large living room and a back deck. The rental includes a car port and large yard. The bedrooms are on second floor, spacious, and get plenty of light. The master bedroom has a spacious adjacent bathroom and built-in wardrobes. The two additional bedrooms, share a bathroom and one has a private study. Rent is $1800 per month plus $250 for utilities (heat, hot water, electric, and internet). House is cable or satellite ready, additional charge for cable. Snow removal provided. References, credit check
and security deposit required. **Contact** Maliha Khan at malihkhan@gmail.com (8/3)

- **2/3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath furnished house for rent.** September-April lease, monthly thereafter negotiable. $1,500, includes: heat, water, electric, plowing, and wi-fi. Cable extra. Very quiet dead end location, 2 miles to downtown Brattleboro, less than 1/4 mile to Exit 2, Route 91. Yard, basement, shed for storage. No pets, no smoking. Contact by text or phone: 802-829-9807 or email: pbl0301@yahoo.com (8/3)

- **Barn apartment in a mid-1800's post and beam barn, 730 SF.** Open concept with bath, kitchen, dining and living areas on first level. Sleeping and study areas are on second level loft. Looks out on lawn and lovely woods. Located on a pleasant country road in Dummerston. Two miles from World Learning (SIT) campus in Brattleboro. 15 minutes to downtown Brattleboro. Rent includes ALL utilities: heat, hot water, electric, shared DSL Wi-Fi internet, plus a wood stove and with firewood for occasional use, parking, rubbish and recycling collection, snow plowing. Non-smoking building. There are 3 other apartments in barn. Pets must be indoors and friendly. Available September 1. $1,200/month. Call 802-254-8396 or e-mail: vermontbarn@myfairpoint.net (8.3)

- **FURNISHED SINGLE BEDROOM APARTMENT FOR RENT.** 72 Grove Street, Brattleboro Vermont. 4 room apartment (bedroom, living room, kitchen, and bath). 650 sq. feet. Rent is $500/month including utilities. Grove Street is an ideal in-town location with views of Mt. Wantastiquet from the house. The apartment is in a residential neighborhood, but the house is just one block from the post office and the library. It is also a short walk to the Retreat woods where you can ski or hike. The town and police offices are on the next block which makes it a very safe neighborhood. Hardwood floors and air-tight vinyl windows. No smoking or pets allowed. In house laundry available. Quiet building with excellent tenants. Available for SIT school year. Deposit and last month required. Photos available upon request. Please email for an application and to make an appointment to view the apartment. Contact Tori Wiechers at twiechers@hotmail.com or Sylvia Blanchet (after August 14) at Sylvie.blanchet@gmail.com (8/26)

- **Individual rooms available for rent in a contemporary architect-designed house on three acres on a private cul-de-sac.** Only minutes from downtown Brattleboro and the farmer’s market, off Orchard St. The house has bamboo floors in common areas and carpets in bedrooms. Common areas include a study, a tv room, dining room, large living room, back deck, screened in porch,
car port and huge large yard. Other features include radiant heat, gas stove, stainless steel appliances, lots of sunlight and windows. **Bedroom 1.** Master Bedroom with a large built in wardrobe, spacious bright private bathroom. **$775: Bedroom 2.** Spacious and sunny, w/ closet and private study. Shares bright bathroom with one other room. $725: **Bedroom 3.** Nice cheerful room w/ closet. Shares bright bathroom with one other room. $675: Rent includes all utilities - heat, hot water, electric, and internet and monthly cleaning. Snow removal provided. Only one person per room. House is unfurnished but basic furnishing can be provided at extra cost. References, credit check and security deposit required. Quite, respectful and mature persons only will be considered. Strictly no smoking and no pets. Please contact [malikhhan@gmail.com](mailto:malikhhan@gmail.com) for more information For photos visit: [http://burlington.craigslist.org/apa/5150458804.html](http://burlington.craigslist.org/apa/5150458804.html) (8/13)

- Lovely Studio Apartment is a gem, with parking, private yard and entrance, quiet neighborhood on a dead end street. It's a 5 minute walk to downtown Brattleboro and is recently renovated. $615/mo includes heat and hot water-internet is also available. Call Lisa at (802)579-4525. (8/14)

- Charming freshly-painted two-bedroom cottage for rent on lovely 18-acre property on Middle Road, Dummerston, less than 1/2 mile from SIT/WL campus. It's a small two-story home with full kitchen, living room, den and 1/2 bath on 1st floor and two bedrooms w/full bath on 2nd floor. Month-to month lease; $800 per month. Photos on request, or just call or text and come take a look! (c) 703-980-6316. (8/20)

- We have a fully furnished, bright and sunny studio apartment in Brattleboro for rent at $695.00 a month, including heat, utilities, wi-fi, off-street parking and snow removal. The apartment is available from October 1st, 2015 for a period of three months or longer. The apartment is app. 350 square feet and has been recently renovated. It consists of on big room (kitchen, dining area and sleeping area); a large and bright 3/4 bathroom (shower, no tub); and a small entry way with room for jackets and footwear. It is conveniently located just three minutes from Main Street in Brattleboro, close to exit 1 (I-91 freeway), in a quiet residential area. The apartment is in our home but is completely private. We are a internationally oriented, bilingual family of three (Danish and English); both parents are graduates of SIT. We ask for first and last months rent and a security deposit of one months rent. If interested, please contact Lasse Schmidt via email: [atturde@yahoo.com](mailto:atturde@yahoo.com). When responding, I would appreciate if you would write a paragraph about yourself. Lasse Jeppesen Schmidt (9/4)
Rooms for Rent/House shares

- **HOUSE SHARE in DUMMERSTON.** This house share is available starting June 2015 or later, for $375 per month, in my home in a beautiful area of Dummerston Center. It is close to Brattleboro, and 4 miles (and 7 minute drive!) to SIT (School of International Training). Share the living room, kitchen and large yard with homeowner and one other housemate. $375/month includes your own room, heat, electricity, free and good quality high speed internet access, use of laundry washer and dryer, and parking. The two people renting each have their own room, and share a full bathroom. This is a non-smoking house. A car is a necessity. I prefer housemates who appreciate country living, and are friendly, responsible and independent. Since three cats live here, you should not be allergic to them, and preferably like to be around cats. Cats are very friendly. I work full time as an occupational therapist, in a mental health setting, and very involved in Transition Town in Dummerston. I ask for references, and you may contact references for me (from SIT students who have lived here. Looking for one housemate starting June 1, 2015, and another housemate at end of August 2015. If interested, please call Jean Davis at 802-257-5089 or email Jeandavisot@yahoo.com. (7/12)

- **Furnished room for $450/ mo.** Available now, includes utilities, furnishings, landline, cable, wifi. shared kitchen/bath, quiet, non smoking, no pets, 10 min walk to downtown on bus route, first, last and security & references required 9 month rental agreement. contact Merry at 802-257-4000 email: merryelder@comcast.net (7.7)

- **We are looking to share our house with two SIT/World Learning Students for the school year from September thru May 2015-16.** We have a large house that would offer separate bedrooms and a bathroom to share. There are 5 bedrooms, a large kitchen, living room, dining room and study. There is a second bathroom as well. We are located in West Brattleboro with about a 8 minute
drive to SIT. The uniqueness in our offering is that the student would share the house with us from September thru probably mid November and then have the whole house to themselves (and can add another roommate) from mid November to the end of April when we would return from being away for the winter. No rent would be required until we leave. When we are gone, the rental cost would be $1200 per month which would include heat, telephone, internet and electricity. If divided between 3 students that would only be $400 per month each. There is a cat that needs to be fed and taken care of but that is the only animal and she is quite easy to care for. During the shared time between September and November, all things about the house would be worked out for an easy transition to when we are gone. Depending on the student's age and experience a car may also be available to use. Please contact Jane Findlay at 802 254 9107. The house is located at 114 Bonnyvale Road in West Brattleboro (7/23)

- One room still available for Fall. I have 1 room left for an incoming female student. The room is in a 3 bedroom apartments at 36 Chapin Street. The location is on the north side of downtown near the town common and very close to the bus stop (cars optional!). These rooms are furnished and ready for new students/tenants. Close to 175 SIT students have stayed in my apartments during the past 15 years, and, I'm proud to say that all found these rooms to be safe and comfortable during their stay in Brattleboro. I can provide email addresses of former students/tenants as references. Rent includes heat, electricity, water and sewer, and internet. I set up individual rental agreements so students are responsible only for the rent for their own room. Rent for the room available is $495 per month. I offer a 5% discount for rent paid in one or two installments, a savings of about a half month's rent. Typical start date for rooms for fall is Aug 25 Contact Mark Goehring at rooms4students@yahoo.com for more information. (7.23)

- Available late August three bedrooms in a fully furnished 4 Bedroom and 2 bathroom apartment in the heart of downtown Brattleboro. Apartment is within walking distance to all shops, the Bee line bus stop that goes up to the SIT Campus, and the Brattleboro Food Coop. Share this apartment with other SIT students. Huge apartment has a large living room, dining room, kitchen with pantry and sun room. Hardwood floors and French doors. Rent includes Heat, Electric, Wireless Internet (plus Ethernet jacks in each bedroom), pots, pans and kitchen appliances. Rents are from $465 to $480. Minimum 9 month lease required, No pets, No smoking. Contact stone.house.properties@gmail.com or visit our Craig's List http://burlington.craigslist.org/roo/5138061119.html (7.29)
• FOR RENT: small cozy bedroom with nice light ($475) and large sunny bedroom with adjoining "office" and sunporch ($575) in apartment share with female owner. Fully furnished (bedrooms can be unfurnished). Utilities included. No smokers or pets, please. Off-street parking. 5 minute walk to downtown Brattleboro and SIT bus. Owner is currently working on setting up an urban homestead on building grounds (including experimenting with raising fish and plants together for food!). Eco-friendly household. Nice place. Pleasant and clean. Photos can be seen at www.bratthomestead.wordpress.com Contact Tori at 802-257-0005 or email twiechers@hotmail.com (8/5)

• 2 LARGE, 2-BEDROOM, PRIVATE, FURNISHED APARTMENTS $860/mo (each) – Avail. Sept 1st- Nice Rooms: 2 bedrooms w/ closets, large living room, full bath w/tub and/or shower, large eat-in kitchen, storage. - Nicely Furnished: Queen and full size beds, new mattresses, desks, shelves, dressers, full dining sets, Futon couch, tables, etc. Kitchen has dishes, pots and pans- Newly renovated! New windows and insulation. New Energy Saver appliances: refrigerator, stove. New kitchen/bathroom floor, newly refinished hardwood floors- Close to downtown (8 blocks). Quiet, safe, neighborhood. Off street parking- Relaxing! Nice yard, flower beds, organic vegetable garden (you plant/care), fruit trees and bushes. Access to covered porches, outdoor eating. Creek and hiking trails near-by. - Terms: 1 year lease.. 1mo. security depo., $860/mo + utilities (oil/gas, electric). References. - No smoking. No pets. - Owned by SIT alum and local business owner, Tamara Stenn (PIM 59) Location: 311 WILLIAMS ST., BRATTLEBORO, VT 05301 - Tel: 802-254-2273 Contact: Tamara Stenn: tamara.stenn@sit.edu or Jesse Lepkoff: 802-254-2273 (photos available). (8.13)

• Pet-free, smoke-free, drug-free, and alcohol-free (social drinkers welcome) house-share, within walking distance of the Brattleboro Co-op. $600 plus half of utilities for a bedroom and an office, as well as use of all common spaces. $400 per room plus one third of utility expenses, if two people were to want rooms. Common areas will also be available for use. There is only room for one additional car to park. A renter application must be completed and approved. (See image) First/Last/One Month's Security required for move-in. Tenant will be added to the lease. A great opportunity for reasonable housing. I am a 35 year-old male, concerned with living consciously and respectfully. Location: 80 Clark Street BrattleboroContact: Kiarnan at (802) 451-8682 or bklynychjr@gmail.com (8/13)
• For rent: semi-furnished third floor 2 room suite in an owner occupied home with shared bath & kitchen located a 5 minute walk to downtown Brattleboro. The shared space is with a parent and teenager in town during the week and some weekends. Female students only, cats considered. The space will be available late early September 2015 at a cost of $500 per month. Rent includes all utilities and wi-fi. Contact mkendrick@greenriver.com (8/26)

• ROOM FOR RENT in Putney Village. I'd like to find a quiet, responsible, content person who would like to live in a private home. I offer a large furnished room (11X15, queen size bed, dresser, and chair, desk optional) with two south facing windows over looking an open field. The 1850's farmhouse has been beautifully updated and restored. I'm retired, active, involved in community and an artist. I live on the first floor and there are two bedrooms on the second floor, a guest room and a room for rent. The room for rent has a half bath (two full baths on the first floor) and a very large walk in closet. There's cozy wood heat (w/oil furnace), ample parking, and two acres of wooded land. It's an easy walk into the village (.03 miles from the General Store). Rent is $500/month and includes wifi, W/D, and all utilities. There's no TV. I'll ask for references, one month rent. and one month security deposit please. 802 490 4985  (8.26)

• Rooms to rent in fully furnished house in Brattleboro. Near bus stops. Kitchen, Living Room, porch and deck. 3 furnished bedrooms available. Rent includes heat, electricity, water and sewer, and snow removal. $450.00 per month per room. Security deposit. Call Bruce @ 802-380-3421. (9.4)