

Master of Arts in Diplomacy and International Relations

Housing Information

General Housing Information

Room and board are the responsibility of each graduate student, and costs are NOT included in the tuition. However, housing assistance is available through SIT. This document outlines some of those options, but students can find their own housing if preferred.

Washington, DC Housing Options

You are responsible for booking your own room and board during your two-week stay in Washington, DC. Note that each day of your stay will include visits to an organization or agency working in international affairs during the day and an evening graduate seminar, which will take place at World Learning, 1015 15th St NW #750, Washington, DC 20005.

It makes sense, therefore, to stay in a central location. Good options include downtown Washington, Georgetown, Kalorama, Dupont Circle, Foggy Bottom, Adams Morgan, or Columbia Heights. Each of these areas is conveniently located near an area Metro system, which is efficient and safe.

In the past, students have arranged for housing through Airbnb and local hotels. The price for housing varies. A shared Airbnb, for example, will cost anywhere from \$30 - \$75 USD per night. Hotels start at roughly \$80 USD per night.

Switzerland Housing Options

Homestay or University Residence

- In most cases you can opt for either room only, or room and partial board.
- Be prepared to pay a deposit at the beginning of your stay for either option. The deposit is used in case of property damage.
- You may also choose to find your accommodation by yourself, though options are extremely limited due to the tight housing market, small town size, and the short duration of your stay in Switzerland.

HOW IS HOUSING ARRANGED?

Students are urged to work directly with our Swiss Academic Coordinator Joe Apostolidis well in advance of your arrival for advice and suggestions. Joe can be reached at: apostolos.apostolidis@sit.edu.

ACCOMODATIONS DURING FIELD VISITS

- The modest hotel accommodation, a bed and breakfast, during the 4-days study trip to Brussels is part of your tuition fee.
- Students will share a room with another classmate.
- Travel to and from Belgium and accommodation arrangements will be made by SIT.
- Meals and transportation costs are your own responsibility.

South Africa Housing Options

Shared Apartment with SIT Graduate Students, Hostel, Modest Hotel, or Homestay

- Apartments generally cost about \$950USD per month
- Homestays generally cost about \$775USD per month
- Modest hotels generally cost about \$1,550 - \$2,170USD per month

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Students are urged to work directly with our South Africa Program Director Stewart Chirova well in advance of your arrival for a list of available options and advice. Stewart can be reached at: stewart.chirova@sit.edu

ACCOMODATIONS DURING FIELD VISITS

- During the final three days of the spring semester students will participate in a seminar in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Please note, your return trip home after the South African portion of the degree should start from Cape Town, South Africa with a stop-over in Addis Ababa to accommodate this seminar. Air Ethiopia is the recommended airline to arrange stop-over travel without incurring additional costs.
- The modest hotel accommodation during the 3-days study trip to Addis Ababa is part of your tuition fee. You will share a room with another classmate.
- All accommodation arrangements will be made by the SIT local staff. All meals and transportation costs while in Addis are your own responsibility.