

2021/2022 PARENT & SUPPORTER GUIDE STUDENT LIFE 101

The University of King's College was founded on the residential model of the Universities of Cambridge and Oxford, which regards residential living as an essential part of a student's total academic experience. We aim to provide a residence environment that encourages the intellectual, social and cultural growth of our students, through a shared, common academic experience. This not only immerses our students in an incredibly creative and dynamic academic community, but we hope it fosters in them a sense of concern for others and community responsibility.

To help students make this new and exciting transition to university life, King's has many services in place to support our residential community that we would like parents and guardians to know about.

Student's	name

Residence building____

Room #_____

Bed A or B (circle one)

Residence Life Staff Name(s)

Residence Office:

902-422-1271 ext. 215 residence@ukings.ca www.ukings.ca Instagram: @ukcresidence

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Residence opens
- 6 Labour Day (closed)
- 7 Fall classes begin
- 17 Fall term fees due
- 17 Last date to opt out of student health care plan
- 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (closed)

OCTOBER

11 Thanksgiving (closed)

NOVEMBER

11 Fall study break* (no classes)(*Except 4th year BJ & BJH students)11 Remembrance Day (closed)

DECEMBER

7 Fall classes end9 Exams begin19 Exams end20 Residence closes @ noon

JANUARY

4 Residence opens @ 10 am 5 Winter classes begin 14 Winter term fees due

FEB

4 George III Day (closed) 21-25 Winter study break (no classes)

APRIL

6 Classes end 8 Exams begin 15 Good Friday (closed) 18 Easter Monday (open) 26 Exams end 27 Residence closes @ noon

PLEASE NOTE

Students must leave residence within 24 hours after their final academic commitment of each term. Exam schedules are available online in October and February. Please do not book travel until you know your student's exam schedule. Dal.ca/academics/exam schedule.html

Resident mailing address:

Student's Name Residence Building & Room # University of King's College 6350 Coburg Road Halifax, NS B3H 2A1

UNIVERSITY LIFE AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Each student will have unique experiences in residence. These experiences begin as soon as students arrive on campus, meet their roommates, and make their rooms a shared space. Most students will face issues such as:

- Roommate relations
- Academic adjustments
- Homesickness
- Adjusting to life in residence

Common concerns of parents include:

- Is my child safe?
- Will they have support?
- Can we reach each other easily?
- Will I know what's going on?

The answer to these questions is, **"Yes, with provision."** Our goal as residence staff is to support all residents and encourage them to participate as members of a unique and vibrant campus community. Useful information may be found at: http://teenmentalhealth.org/product/transitions/

We will do our best to help or refer any student who tells us that they are having difficulty or require specialized support. Several supports are available. <u>https://ukings.ca/campus-community/student-</u> <u>services/health/</u>

Please remember that residence staff and university officials will always maintain confidentiality with students. We cannot talk to you about any issues your student is facing, unless the student requests otherwise, or in cases of extreme emergency.

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

King's students have full access to Dalhousie Health & Wellness at 1246 LeMarchant St (902-494-2171). Services by appointment include routine medical exams, anonymous STI testing, and sports medicine. Students can also access professional counselling services. A walk-in clinic is also conveniently located at the corner of Coburg Road and Robie Street.

https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/health-andwellness.html

FINANCIAL QUESTIONS

Contact Sharlene Salter in Student Accounts at <u>accounts@ukings.ca</u> or 902-422-1271 ext. 116.

RESIDENCE PORTAL

Students can complete a release of information from in the Portal to give residence staff permission to release information. The Portal is also where residents can access various forms. <u>https://ukings.erezlife.com/</u>

HEALTH INSURANCE

Canadian students in university are covered under their provincial health plans and all incoming students are automatically enrolled in a Student Health and Dental Plan. Students covered under their parent or guardian's health plan may be eligible to opt out of the university plan. For more information contact the King' Student Union at 902-429-3399/902-422-1271 ext. 169 or visit ksu.ca. The opt-out deadline for the student health and dental plan is September 17, 2021.

International students are automatically enrolled in the Dalhousie International Student Health Plan. For more information or to opt out, please contact Dalhousie International & Student Exchange Services at 902-494-1566 or visit

https://www.dal.ca/campus_life/internationalcentre.html

INSURANCE FOR PERSONAL BELONGINGS

King's is not responsible for theft or loss of personal property due to fire, water or any other cause. Please remind your student to store valuables in a safe place and not to leave them unattended. Your child may be covered under your personal home insurance policy or want to get additional insurance for their belongings.

CHAPLAINCY

King's has its own chaplain, Father Dr. Rannall Ingalls, on campus who is available to all students. He is also a member of the multifaith team at Dalhousie. His office is located on the 1st floor of the A&A Building. Contact: <u>rannall.ingalls@ukings.ca</u>

ASSISTANT DEAN, RESIDENCE

The Assistant Dean, Residence is committed to keeping your student safe, providing support for mental health or academic help, and creating a positive and inclusive environment within the residence community. Contact: tim.lade@ukings.ca