

On-Campus Housing

Most Wellesley students live on-campus. Students who live on-campus have an instant network of peers. For more information: <http://web.wellesley.edu/web/StudentLife/ResidenceLife>

Residence Halls

Each residence hall has a laundry room with coin operated washers and dryers, a TV lounge with cable TV channels including many international channels, a kitchen with refrigerator, stove top burners and ovens, vending machines for snacks, sodas and juices, and wireless internet throughout the building. Each room is furnished with a bed, dresser, desk and chair, book shelf, mirror, and closet.

Staff

Each residence hall has professional and student staff that work together to create trusting and respectful spaces that support and celebrate community. The Area Coordinators (AC) or Resident Directors (RD) are professional staff members, who live in the residence halls, supervise the student staff in the building, and assist students in accessing college, academic, and personal resources.

Resident Assistants (RA) are student staff members who live in the residence halls and help students transition to Wellesley College. RAs help students access on campus resources, offer support, and assist with resolving roommate disagreements. In addition, they help build community and plan activities.

Dining

Students have open access to any of the four dining facilities located in our residence halls. Pomeroy Hall features an exclusively Kosher/vegetarian and vegan menu and Tower Hall offers a nut-sensitive menu. For additional information on all dining halls, hours of operation, menus, dining facilities, and nutritional services please visit www.wellesleyfresh.com.

Holidays and Summer Housing

International students may be allowed to stay on campus during holidays and breaks with approval of the ISSA. If an international student would like to remain in summer housing, she must notify the ISSA and she will be responsible for paying a weekly fee. During the 10-day break between the end of the fall semester and the beginning of winter session, students living in the United States are not allowed to stay on campus. However, students from abroad are allowed to stay if they notify the ISSA. Be aware that the dining halls are closed during the breaks, so students must arrange for their own food.

U.S. Electrical Outlets

United States standard voltage is 110/120 volts, 60 cycles AC. Before using any appliances from your home country, check the voltage ratings marked on them. If they are designed for the European electrical system (220 volts), you may need a transformer and plug adapter (available at most electronic stores) so you can plug the appliance into the U.S. outlet. It is recommended that you purchase any small appliances you may need once you arrive in the United States (i.e.: hair dryers).

Electrical appliances sold in the U.S. come with a cord and 2- or 3-prong plug attached (*see Figure 1*). In some cases (including most new lamps), one of the two prongs is slightly larger than the other. This polarized plug ensures that you put the plug into the outlet in the correct position. If you have trouble plugging something into a 2-prong outlet, try turning the plug upside down. Some appliances have a third prong on the plug, which makes a separate connection to ground and keeps you from getting a shock.

Figure 1:

