

## Intern Housing Advisor

\*Below are comments from last summer's interns regarding the housing option they selected. There are no comments regarding the SE Wichita options since we did not offer this last year. We hope this information as well as the housing tours at Explore Koch will be helpful in your decision making. No pressure, it's just three months☺.

**WaterWalk Hotel Apartments** in Downtown Wichita – 100% of the 14 interns who stayed at the WaterWalk Hotel Apartments would recommend this place to future interns. Here are a few of their comments:

- "Was a bit pricey. \$1,800 out of pocket after the bonus"
- "Waterwalk is an expensive place to live, but the benefits and amenities that come with living there weigh out the cost."
- "Very easy and convenient, especially since it is furnished. It's also nice to have the option of living with several roommates."
- "Very pricey, but totally worth it for the amenities."
- "Very close to entertainment and dining but about 20 minutes from Koch. Price was quite a bit cheaper for 1 bedroom than other options."
- "Water Walk has been awesome. I would recommend it to future interns. Although it might seem a little more expensive, the extra amenities save a lot of money."
- "Expensive but more amenities than you could ever want (which is a +)"

**East Side Apartments** (Remington and Villas at Waterford) - 94% of the 18 interns who stayed at the east side apartments would recommend this place to future interns. Here are a few of their comments:

- "I had an issue with spiders early in the summer but the management at the Remington has been very responsive and helpful. Issue has since been resolved."
- "By the time I got to Case & Associates East after Explore Koch, there were no remaining three month leases at Remington or the Villas. Because I strongly preferred an apartment over Shocker Hall, I had to pay an extra month's rent. That was disappointing."
- "The Koch discount makes this option just a bit expensive and without the discount it would've been difficult to justify the cost"

**West Side Apartments** - 81% of the 27 interns who stayed at the west side apartments would recommend this place to future interns. Here are a few of their comments:

- "Everyone at Crown Chase has been super helpful and friendly!!"
- "This is an excellent place to live; however, it is difficult to make it to some of the intern events because most of them are on the east side of town."
- "The drive is not bad and the management/staff is great. Wish we would've gone with Water Walk, after you factor in washer/dryer and furniture, it's really not a bad deal."
- "Really got lucky living at Newport. Love the complex."
- "Great place to live. They have a small spider problem but they offer exterminator service. A bit of a drive but it is mostly highway so I never care. Everything you need is close by."
- "I got a cheap studio apartment that serves its purpose. Nothing to rave about, but I'd recommend it to someone looking for a cheap place to live."

**Shocker Hall** – 81% of the 27 interns who stayed at Shocker Hall would recommend this place to future interns. Here are a few of their comments:

- “I'm very satisfied with Shocker hall. I've had no issues and find it a nice place to live.”
- “I think Shocker Hall is a wonderful place to live, and I hope that Koch continues to offer the opportunity to interns in the future.”
- “I did not feel like Shocker Hall was in a location that makes people want to live full time in Wichita.”
- “Location was very convenient; however safety seemed to be an issue.”
- “Despite posted "quiet hours", it can actually be a pretty noisy place to live. There are running groups on the track at Cessna stadium that play loud music starting at about 5:30 a.m. Weekend track events makes sleeping/ going anywhere very difficult. There is no access to a private, secure Wi-Fi network. If you don't want to use the extremely slow, unsecured public Wi-Fi\_\_\_33, you're stuck using the single Ethernet port in your room. The private rooms have very thin walls (as in, I can hear almost every word of my roommate's phone conversations). That being said, the RAs are very friendly and helpful and I like having such a short drive to work.”
- “If I knew about the area around Shocker Hall I probably would not have chosen to live there. It is very unsafe. The building is beautiful but the area is not.”
- “An average place to stay while I'm here but I don't want to spend more time than I need to there”
- “I wasn't psyched about living in a dorm again over the summer, but it is great having my own bedroom and living so close to Koch (short commute) and other interns. The Wi-Fi is absolutely terrible there.”
- “Aside from one bad incident I had at Shocker Hall, living there has been a good choice. It is a very easy way to meet more of my intern class. I also like how short of a drive it is to and from work every day, which was a major selling point to me when I choose to live there. Overall it has been a positive experience”
- “Shocker Hall is very convenient (no bills, rent, etc.) but isn't in the "best" part of town and has more regulation (no alcohol, parking regs, etc.).”

**A few had buyer's remorse and said they wish they would have chosen...**

- “East side of Wichita because of location relative to work and intern activities sponsored by KCR”
- “I recommend water walk. By the time you buy furniture and gas for the 20 minute drive every day, they are about the same. Also few interns knew that the bonus would be taxed at such a high rate.”
- “I would recommend the villas over Remington”
- “Villas/Remington”