

Summer 2017 Intern Housing Advisor

*Below are price comparisons and comments from last summer's interns regarding the housing option they selected. We hope this information as well as the housing tours at Explore Koch will be helpful in your decision making. Remember that the housing decision is yours, and you are free to pursue an option below or another of your choosing. No pressure, it's just three months☺.

****If you are interested in the East Side Apartments you will need to call and be put on their reservation list soon because their units go fast.** A \$35 application fee and \$175 deposit will be required to reserve your unit. The pricing on the flier is based on 2016 rates and will likely change. Those on the waiting list will be contacted around April 1st to confirm their unit and final pricing for summer 2017. If the unit you desire is not available (or if you change your mind), your \$175 deposit will be refunded, but your \$35 application fee will not.

East Side Apartments (Remington and Villas at Waterford) - **100% of the 15 interns** who stayed at the east side apartments would recommend this place to future interns. Here are a few of their comments:

- "I am one that hates a long drive to work (especially if I accidentally wake up late) so living down the street from Koch was my saving grace. To future interns - Explore Koch day isn't until March, find your housing when you get your offer because the whole East side fills fast"
- "Being on the east side was so nice. Most of the intern events are on this side of town, which made it so helpful!"
- "I would recommend the Villas over the Remington."
- "It's nice, but remember, unfurnished means unfurnished. You'll need your own shower curtains, furniture, internet connection, everything."
- "I really enjoyed being on the third floor with vaulted ceilings. It was kind of a pain to get everything moved in though since it is unfurnished."
- "Location with regards to work was great"
- "Overall great place to live."
- "very easy to get to and from work. having 2 pools and grills provided was really nice. thin ceiling"
- "This is a very convenient place to live. It takes about 5 min to get to Koch industries."

WaterWalk Hotel Apartments in Downtown Wichita – **100% of the 6 interns** who stayed at the WaterWalk Hotel Apartments would recommend this place to future interns. Here are a few of their comments:

- "Well worth the extra cost. Nice area very close to downtown with plenty to do. Amenities were great."
- "I would recommend WaterWalk because it is in a great location with a very nice living space, but after spending the summer there I don't feel that makes up for how expensive it is. When I made the choice, it made sense given my circumstances. However, if the cost can be avoided, I would recommend future interns invest in cheaper options."
- "The management staff consistently promised things, but never delivered. Had to spend our first week in a small hotel room and then had to move rooms during the middle of the summer again."
- "Management was not great at communicating unfortunately."
- "If you want a room at waterwalk, book it early."

West Side Apartments (Newport and Crown Chase) - 83% of the 12 interns who stayed at the west side apartments would recommend this place to future interns. Here are a few of their comments:

- "It's about a 15-20 min drive, but not bad"
- "I would suggest living closer to Koch or downtown. Most of the events are downtown and you are away from most of the other interns."
- "I knew going into this lease that the location was not as ideal as other spaces in regards to commute time to Koch as well as events such as Jersey's Volleyball, however this is a great value as well as a good community to live in as I have chosen to live here for the past two summers."
- "While the location may be a bit further than locations on the East side, the staff and apartment were perfect for the summer. I enjoyed my stay."
- "Management came through when needed. ~20 minute drive to work, and there are two construction zones. Amenities are offered, but are not great. The walking trail around the lake is the best part."
- "Great complex, very friendly staff who were understanding and accommodating of my situation as an intern"
- "The housing staff was both flexible and helpful with helping me get everything set up. Very accommodating."
- "Case & Associates offers housing for a pretty decent rate, and the housing bonus supplied by Koch pretty much covers all of the expenses. WSU is a great option because of location, but I prefer my own living space, so Newport was great for me."
- "This apartment was a very good value. The entire housing bonus covered this option, and then some. It was everything I wanted in an apartment. Not as fancy as some other ones, but very functional and good bang for the buck. The walking trail around the lake is great for evening walks, and the ducks are always so cute. I recommend staying here."
- "I had a bit of a spider problem while living at Newport over the summer but management was very helpful and did everything they could to help fix this."

Shocker Hall – 55% of the 11 interns who stayed at Shocker Hall would recommend this place to future interns. Here are a few of their comments:

- "It is best to sell the idea of living for free at Shocker Hall for the summer. It is much easier to have all the furniture there and not worry about payments."
- "It's an okay place to live, but most interns live in apartments, meaning you miss out on hearing about non-Koch events"
- "I personally did not like sharing a bathroom to where the person you shared with had access to your room"
- "Typical dorm style living. make the most of it by connecting with the other interns that are staying on campus."
- "Shocker hall was a really comfortable place to stay and it was also very near which made travel to work quite easy"
- "It's a dorm experience, didn't expect it to be any different from that of back home, nice dorms though."
- "The kitchen and laundry were too far away."
- "Shocker Hall is a good option for those that are not near the Wichita/Kansas area. If the internship was any longer, I would have opted for one of the other housing options."
- "Shocker Hall could get very loud at night with all the students and other visitors on campus."
- "The premises were very clean and kept up. However, most of the technology around the kitchens did not work, the TVs and cable. |It was nice to have CC Laundry machines."

Fairmount Towers – Did not have this option for interns in 2016, so no feedback is available. Fairmount towers is very similar to Shocker Hall, but rooms are slightly smaller and outdated. Location is slightly closer to Koch and parking is more convenient. Furniture, utilities, and cable/internet are included. Amenities include sand volleyball and basketball courts. Price is considerably lower.

Intern Housing Options 2016	Time to Koch	Price	Utilities	Cable & Internet	Furniture Rental
*East Wichita 2 br apt (Remington/Villas of Waterford)	5-7 min	*\$1025/month	Not Included	Not Included	Not Included
*East Wichita 1 br apt (Remington/Villas of Waterford)	5-7 min	*\$840/month	Not Included	Not Included	Not Included
WaterWalk Hotel Apts 3 br (Downtown)	14 min	\$129/night	Included	Included	Included
WaterWalk Hotel Apts 2 br (Downtown)	14 min	\$99/night	Included	Included	Included
Hotel at WaterWalk 1 br (Downtown)	14 min	\$55/night	Included	Included	Included
NW Wichita 2 br apt (Crown Chase, Newport)	20 min	*\$900/month	Not Included	Not Included	Not Included
NW Wichita 1 br apt (Crown Chase, Newport)	20 min	*\$700/month	Not Included	Not Included	Not Included
Shocker Hall Double (WSU)	8 min	\$2050/Summer	Included	Included	Included
Shocker Hall Single (WSU) - paid by Koch	8 min	\$2250/Summer	Included	Included	Included
Fairmount Towers (WSU) Double	7 min	\$1325/Summer	Included	Included	Included
Fairmount Towers (WSU) Single	7 min	\$1625/Summer	Included	Included	Included
*Apartment prices are estimated based on 2016 rates. These are estimated rates that will change when 2017 rates become available in early April. The Remington and Villas at Waterford have sold out by March the last two summers. You don't have to make your final decision until April, but we recomend contacting them directly to put your name on the waiting list. A \$35 application fee and \$175 deposit will be required to reserve your unit. Those on the waiting list will be contacted around April 1st to confirm their unit and final pricing for summer 2017. If the unit you desire is not available (or if you change your mind), your \$175 deposit will be refunded, but your \$35 application fee will not.					
**For those who received signing bonuses, remember that the amount you receive with your first paycheck will be an AFTER TAX value. It is estimated that bonuses will be taxed at a ~28% rate. Keep this in mind when comparing Shocker Hall with apartment options. Those who select the Shocker Hall single option will have their sign on bonus applied as payment for summer lodging.					