
Housing in Denmark

Danish universities do not have a tradition for on-campus housing. Most students live in student halls of residences situated some distance from campus. An efficient public transport system also makes it easy to travel between your residence, campus and the city centre



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Finding a place to live often takes time. Therefore, we strongly advise you to contact your Danish host institution for information about housing as soon as you have been accepted into a study programme.

Please be aware that it can be especially difficult to find housing in the bigger cities during August and September. We advise against travelling to Denmark at this time without reserving a room first.



Types of accommodation

Some international students prefer to rent a room or a sub-let from a Danish student or landlord. Others rent an apartment or a house, which they share with friends. Whether you choose to live in a student residence, apartment or house you will have to cater for yourself. So don't forget your recipe book! Cleaning (both your private room and the common facilities) and doing your laundry are also your own responsibility.

Student halls of residence ('kollegier')

Student residences offer accommodation in a communal environment. This kind of living may be particularly suitable for international students who have just arrived and don't know anyone yet. Besides, the rent for a room is generally cheaper than that of a private room.

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How to find housing

The first step is to visit the website of your host institution to find out how they can help you find accommodation. We advise you to follow any recommendations that you find there

The availability of accommodation varies greatly around the country and local advice is always best. In general, it is much harder to find suitable housing in big cities like Copenhagen and Aarhus.

Moreover, you should start to look for accommodation months before you arrive, as it can be very difficult to find accommodation right before the semester begins.

Housing links

On the following websites, individuals and agencies offer rooms and apartments for rent. The websites are in Danish, but you can place your own ad in English.

- www.boligportal.dk (<http://www.boligportal.dk/>)
- [www.lejobolig.dk](http://lejobolig.dk/) (<http://lejobolig.dk/>)
- [www.ledige-lejligheder.dk](http://www.boliger.dk/) (<http://www.boliger.dk/>)
- www.boliger.dk (<http://www.boliger.dk/>) (only in Danish)
- www.bolig1.dk (<http://www.bolig1.dk/lejobolig.aspx>) (only in Danish)
- www.bolighit.dk (<http://www.bolighit.dk/lejobolig/soeg-lejobolig1.aspx>) (only in Danish)
- www.boligstedet.dk (<http://www.boligstedet.dk/cms/lejoboliger.html>) (only in Danish)

There are also local websites, which cover student housing within a specific city:

- **Copenhagen**
[Student- and Youth Accommodation Office Copenhagen \(KKIK\)](http://www.kollegierneskontor.dk/default.aspx?&lang=GB) (<http://www.kollegierneskontor.dk/default.aspx?&lang=GB>) administers application procedures and distribution of rooms for 18 different student residence halls in and around Copenhagen
- **Aarhus**
[Student Housing Aarhus](http://www.studenthousingaarhus.com/) (<http://www.studenthousingaarhus.com/>) offers more than 8000 accommodations exclusively for students in Greater Aarhus
- **Aalborg**
[AKU-Aalborg assigns rooms/apartments in Aalborg](http://translate.google.dk/translate?u=http://www.aku-aalborg.dk/&hl=da&langpair=auto|en&tbb=1&ie=UTF-8) (<http://translate.google.dk/translate?u=http://www.aku-aalborg.dk/&hl=da&langpair=auto|en&tbb=1&ie=UTF-8>)
- **Odense**
[Studiebolig Odense](http://www.studiebolig-odense.dk/) (<http://www.studiebolig-odense.dk/>) is a collaboration of 7 student residence houses in Odense
(<http://www.studiebolig-odense.dk/>) [Kollegieboligselskabet](http://kollegieboligselskabet.dk/exchange-students) (<http://kollegieboligselskabet.dk/exchange-students>) also offer rooms at various student residence halls
- **Esbjerg**
[Information on student housing in Esbjerg](http://www.e-k-f.dk/index.php?id=364&L=2) (<http://www.e-k-f.dk/index.php?id=364&L=2>)
- **Sønderborg**
[Information on student housing in Sønderborg](http://www.kk.kollegie6400.dk/pages/id100.asp) (<http://www.kk.kollegie6400.dk/pages/id100.asp>)

Housing benefit ('Boligsikring')

EU/EEA citizens are eligible for housing benefits ('Boligsikring') – a subsidy for rent from the local council. However, other subsidies for housing loans and deposits are not available. For details on the requirements and how to apply, please contact your local council.

Please note: Non-EU/EEA citizens cannot apply for or receive housing benefits. If you do apply, it may result in your residence permit being revoked.

FAQ

Can I bring my dog? *It is not easy to find housing that allows you to bring any kind of pet. Most student residences and apartments have regulations concerning domestic animals. However, you can explore the possibilities by asking your host institution for advice.*

Can I bring my family? *As a student it is possible to apply for a bigger student residence if you have a family. Alternatively, you could look for private housing that suits your needs. You should expect it to take a little longer to find, however, than just a single room.*

I have allergies. Can I get a room without carpets? *It is certainly possible to find housing that accommodates this type of special needs. You need to mention this when applying or ask your host institution for advice.*

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