



College Residential Accommodation Allocation Policy 2026 -2027 Entry

Important Information

- Demand for accommodation consistently exceeds the number of rooms available.
- The offer of a place on an academic programme does not guarantee an offer of accommodation.
- Qualifying for a bursary from the Residential Fund does not guarantee an accommodation offer.
- We operate a wait list for those who are unsuccessful in obtaining accommodation at the initial stage; around GCSE results day we see a number of changes and those on wait lists often receive a room, but this is not guaranteed.
- Any offer of accommodation will be withdrawn if an applicant/student fails to meet the entry criteria for their academic programme, fails to provide their final exam result within published deadlines, or if a subsequent risk assessment deems the offer of accommodation a safeguarding risk to either the student or others.
- Post GCSE exam results, allocation follows criteria as outlined below, however is dependent on availability on individual academic programmes.
- There is no appeals process and the decision of the Hartpury Accommodation Team is final.

Our Accommodation

- There are 704 bed spaces available for students studying Further Education programmes.
- Rooms are either;
 - single en-suite,
 - twin en-suite
 - twin room with shared washrooms.
- All rooms are single sex, students aged 18 or over may be allocated single en-suite rooms within mixed sex halls.
- All students in accommodation studying on Further Education programmes are expected to eat in the wide range of outlets on the campus; a meal package is included in the accommodation fees. All halls of residence have common rooms with basic snack & refreshment making facilities.

New Applicants

Eligibility for Accommodation

- Applications for accommodation open on 8th April 2026.
- Applicants must have formally accepted their academic offer for a;
 - Level 3 BTEC Diploma
 - T Level
 - A Level
 - Applicants accepted to study on a Level 2 qualification are not eligible for accommodation, unless studying Level 2 Agricultural Engineering or post GCSE results Hartpury reallocated students to Level 2 qualifications who were previously accepted to study Level 3 qualifications.
 - Under the Armed Forces Covenant, applicants whose parents/carers are in the armed forces

will be prioritised for accommodation.

Accommodation Allocation

- First year students are typically allocated twin rooms, some single rooms are available; individual room preferences are collected as part of the application.
 - students who are selected by the academy managers as part of first-team sports academies will be allocated a twin room.
- Applicants should declare any medical condition or support needs that may affect their accommodation allocation. The College's Head of Safeguarding, Wellbeing and Health or nominee will undertake, where necessary, a risk assessment prior to confirmation of an accommodation place to ensure we are able to put in place any reasonable adjustments that are required.
- Applicants successful in securing a bed space will receive a formal offer of accommodation via email on 28th May 2026.
- Applicants who have been unsuccessful in securing accommodation will be notified on 28th May 2026 and will automatically be placed on a wait list for a bed space.
- On application applicants will be required to pay a deposit of £160 and to provide debit/credit card details to enable a recurring card payment plan to be set up for accommodation fees (advance notification will be sent of the payment values and dates to be collected, and will not start until after the student has moved into their room).

Allocation Considerations

Applications are considered in accordance and conjunction with the following criteria:

- Proximity to Hartpury; students who are deemed able to travel on public or College transport will be placed on a wait list for consideration, only if there are rooms available as of 31st August 2026.
- Students paying the international all-inclusive fee package (*n.b. this does not include Crown Dependencies, British Overseas Territories or Common Trade Areas*).
- Programme of study: priority is given to applicants accepted on agriculture, animal or equine programmes.
 - There are a limited number of bed spaces available for applicants on sport & A Level programmes who are not part of the first-team sports academies. Accommodation allocation for these programmes is given to applicants based on:
 - ◊ Academic performance, including predicted grades and attitude to study as evidenced in an academic reference.
 - ◊ Suitability of applicant for study at Hartpury, demonstrated by the applicant's personal statement and interview (if applicable)
- Academy athletes; priority is given to applicants who are selected by academy managers to be part of the first-team sports academies.
- Applicants requiring on campus livery facilities for their horse/pony.

Returning Students

Accommodation applications must be made each year.

Returning students are given the opportunity to apply for accommodation before the application process goes 'live' for new applicants. Returning students will be invited to apply for accommodation from 18th February 2026.

Eligibility for Accommodation

- Students returning for their 2nd year of study who were resident during their 1st year are guaranteed accommodation with the exception of;

- any returning student who has been excluded from residence in year 1
- any returning student who fails to meet the academic requirement.
- Accommodation is not available for students in their 3rd or subsequent years of study.

Accommodation Allocation

- Students who are aged 18 or over on 1 September 2026 will be allocated single en-suite accommodation in our designated over 18 college halls. All rooms are single sex, but students may be allocated rooms within mixed sex halls.
- Eligible students will receive a formal offer of accommodation via email on 28th May 2026.
- On allocation applicants will be required to pay a deposit of £160 and to provide debit/credit card details to enable a recurring card payment plan to be set up for accommodation fees (advance notification will be sent of the payment values and dates to be collected, and will not start until after the student has moved into their room).

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