



# Postgraduate Accommodation for 2025/2026

# Introduction

- Accommodation Team: Emma Salmon and Ruth Clemson
- Email [accommodation@girton.cam.ac.uk](mailto:accommodation@girton.cam.ac.uk)
- Porters 24 hours a day
- Housekeepers Monday to Friday
- Cleaners
  - Communal areas cleaned Monday to Friday
  - En-suite bathrooms once a fortnight
  - Rubbish taken out, please make sure you put things in the right bins so as much as possible can be recycled
- Maintenance team – report online

# Swirles Court

- Opened in September 2017 in a new area of Cambridge called Eddington
- 325 en-suite single rooms
- Accessible rooms
- Rooms are in clusters of 4-8 students who share a kitchen
- 150 Girton postgraduates
- Card controlled access to the building and the internal courtyards
- Short walk or cycle to College







Photos of  
Swirles Court

# What is in the accommodation

- The bedrooms are fully furnished with a bed, desk, desk chair, comfy chair / sofa, wardrobe, bedside table / small drawer unit, under bed storage box, shelving, desk lamp.
- Most of the beds are small doubles (122 x 190cm), although a small number (4) have single beds
- The en suite bathrooms all have a shower, toilet, wash basin and towel rail
- Bedding is not provided but can be ordered on your arrival form
- The kitchens have sinks, cookers, fridges, freezers, kettles, microwave, toaster, 2 lockable cupboards per student, seating and a table
- You need to bring your own crockery, cutlery and cooking utensils and towels

# Living in Swirles Court

- Mixture of courses, genders and nationalities
- WiFi and network port
- Post box
- Laundry facilities
- Study room
- Cycle storage
- Universal bus
- Ridgeway
- Shops and food trucks
- Community Centre





# The Grange

- A large house in the College grounds
- 12 bedrooms across three floors
- Short walk to the main College building
- Shared kitchens and bathrooms on each floor
- Communal area
- Bedrooms have:
  - Bed and mattress protector
  - Desk and desk chair
  - Wardrobe
  - Shelving
  - Comfy chair
  - Drawer unit



# Girton Gate

- A large house across the road from the main College site
- 9 bedrooms across two floors
- Shared kitchens and bathrooms on each floor
- Communal area
- Bedrooms have:
  - Bed and mattress protector
  - Desk and desk chair
  - Wardrobe
  - Shelving
  - Comfy chair
  - Drawer unit





# Living in a large College House

- WiFi and network port
- Post box in College
- Laundry facilities
- Cycle storage
- Close to College facilities



# Partner and family accommodation

- 1-3 bedroom properties for students with partners or children
- Fully furnished
- Self-contained properties with their own kitchen and bathroom
- Located close to or on College grounds
- Bills are not included and Council Tax may be charged for them



# Tenancies and charges

- The standard tenancy is 49 weeks from 23 September 2025 until 1 September 2026
- If your course ends before August 2026 you can apply for a 42 week tenancy from 23 September 2025 until 14 July 2026.
- Residence fees remain the same for the duration of your course. Provisional charges can be found at:  
<https://www.girton.cam.ac.uk/life-girton/college-fees-and-charges/postgraduates>
- For accommodation for one person the residence fee includes: heating, electricity, water, basic insurance, internet
- Only additional charge is for laundry facilities paid termly
- All self-catering but can make use of College catering facilities



# Applying for accommodation

- Apply online as soon as you have a course offer for Girton College
- Put a preference for which accommodation you would like
- Provide information about any special circumstances or requirements
- Priority for single rooms if apply for accommodation before the **15<sup>th</sup> July** and meet all University conditions by that date.
- Offers are sent out by email to the email address provided on the form once students have met their University conditions.
- Allocations for single rooms will begin in July and is an ongoing process through the summer
- Accommodate as many students as possible but not guaranteed

# Allocations and priorities

## **Single occupancy room priorities**

- Students with accessibility issues who inform the Accommodation Office clearly of their needs on their Accommodation application form
- Postgraduate Continuers (continuing within the same degree) and Clinical Medical and Veterinary students who apply for accommodation by 30 April.
- Current Girton Undergraduates moving directly on to postgraduate study and current Girton Postgraduates moving to a new degree who meet all University conditions by 31 August 2025
- New Postgraduates who are recipients of Girton College Postgraduate scholarships and Gates and Mastercard scholarships who meet all University conditions by 15 August 2025
- New Postgraduates not in the above groups who applied for accommodation and meet all University conditions by the 15 July 2025.
- After these priority groups, applications are processed in date order, using the latest date out of when all University conditions have been met and the date the accommodation application has been received by the Accommodation Office.
- Offers will only be made to students who have met all their University conditions

# Allocations and priorities

## **Partner and Family accommodation**

- Partner and Family accommodation is allocated to Girton postgraduate students in the following order:
  - Postgraduate Continuers (continuing within the same degree) with children who are already living in a College property and apply by 30 April 2025
  - Students who are new to Cambridge
  - New students who have previously lived in Cambridge
  - Returning students
- Not all students who apply for partner and family accommodation will be offered a property.
- Offers will only be made to students who have met all their University conditions.



# Disabilities and medical conditions

- If you require adaptations made to your accommodation on disability or welfare grounds please let us know on your accommodation application form
- The Junior Bursar is the Disability Liaison Officer and may contact you with the accommodation team for further details
- Adapted rooms in Swirles Court and the main College building
- Hearing alarms, en-suite rooms, can provide fridges
- PEEPs

# Any questions?

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