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Live Purple

Choosing to live purple is a smart choice

Living on campus will be one of the most rewarding experiences during your time at UCA. You’ll find that living purple offers you a less stressful college experience and gives you advantages such as convenient access to campus facilities, comfortable living accommodations and a residence life staff who is here to help you. You will be close to classes, dining options and campus events, which will cut down on transportation costs and time. UCA offers a variety of living styles to fit your needs and preferences to make living on campus an enjoyable experience.

Get to know UCA

UCA is a four-year regional, public, comprehensive university located in Conway. With the campus just a 30-minute drive from Little Rock and nestled in the heart of Arkansas, students can experience city life while enjoying the quaint downtown feel of home. Conway is within driving distance of many state parks, has multiple biking and walking trails and has a vibrant downtown with shopping, dining and entertainment for all.
Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible for UCA Housing?
All full-time UCA students who are enrolled in at least 12 credit hours can live in UCA Housing.

When can I apply for Housing?
You can apply for housing after you have been officially admitted to the university.

How much is the deposit?
All applications for housing must include a $100 deposit. The deposit is fully refundable if you cancel in writing by May 10. A 50 percent refund is available when you cancel in writing by July 10.

What’s a lease?
The student-housing lease is a nine-month academic year lease that outlines the terms and conditions of living in UCA Housing. If you choose to leave UCA Housing prior to the end of the lease, you forfeit your deposit and are subject to a $425 lease buyout fee.

When will I know my housing assignment?
While this depends on when your application and deposit are received, we will post the first assignments on myUCA in May.

Do I have to live on campus?
All freshmen are required to live on campus during their first academic year. You may fill out a Freshman Residency Exemption Request if you meet any of the following criteria:

- You are 21 years old or older
- You are married
- You are currently enrolled in less than 12 credit hours
- You have completed 21 credit hours (Non-High School Concurrent)
- You are living with a parent or legal guardian and commuting to campus
- You have previously lived in a residence hall for two semesters

The form is due by July 1 for fall and December 1 for spring.
Health and Safety

Safety and Security
We provide you with a safe environment in which to live and learn. Residence Hall exterior doors are locked 24/7 and you must be a building resident with card access to enter. Security cameras are located on all exterior doors of residence halls. The UCA Police Department leads the way in creating a secure environment for students. We have 28 full-time sworn police officers providing around-the-clock law enforcement, public safety, emergency management and 911 call services to the UCA community. The UCA PD provides emergency notifications for weather or campus-related situations, motor assistance for dead batteries or keys locked in the car and a security escort program to assist students across campus. Additionally, UCA PD officers live on campus as part of the residential police program.

Student Health
UCA has several health services to give students peace of mind. The Student Health Clinic (SHC) is staffed by a physician and four nurse practitioners, all with prescriptive authority. They diagnose, treat and monitor the needs of their patients. In addition to general family practice services, the SHC offers lab and x-ray work, as well as immunizations and a variety of procedures. The Women’s Health Clinic meets the needs of our female population. In most cases, the cost is covered through tuition and fees. UCA promotes health education through our Wellness Center, counseling services and the HPER Center. Counseling services are accredited and include programs for college adjustment, test anxiety, relationship concerns and depression.

The “Safe@UCA” program allows you to sign up for campus alert texts and email notifications on myUCA. Operation ID is a nationwide program that allows you to register items to help you easily recover property in the event of theft. Register your valuables online at ucapd.com
Getting Involved

**Intramurals (residence hall division)**
The purpose of the Intramural sports program is to provide an opportunity for every student at UCA to participate in some type of competitive sports activity as regularly as his or her interest, ability and time will permit. Intramural activities range from traditional sports such as flag football, basketball and slow-pitch softball to more non-traditional sports such as table tennis, badminton and track.

**Resident Housing Association (RHA)**
RHA at UCA is a chapter of the world’s largest student-run organization. It is the voice for all students who live on campus. RHA facilitates campus-wide events that promote inclusiveness and fun. The organization offers leadership opportunities through regional, national and international conferences each year. RHA is about making new friends, getting involved on campus and gaining valuable resumé experience.

**Cubs**
Cubs are elected students representatives from each residence hall or apartment complex. They cater to the residents in each complex by having social and academically focused events every month. Being a Cub allows students to gain valuable experience with event planning, budgeting and marketing. Additionally, these experiences may lead to other leadership roles at UCA.

**Registered Student Organizations**
We have over 200 student organizations on campus, so you’re sure to find one that works for you.

**Greek Life**
Scholarship, leadership, brotherhood and sisterhood, community service and social activities are the key elements of the fraternities and sororities at UCA. There are currently 23 different organizations that make up UCA’s diverse Greek community.
Campus Amenities

UCA is home to one of the most beautiful campuses in the nation. Lush gardens adorned with seasonal flowers and billowing shade trees complement the Georgian-architectural style of campus buildings. On warm afternoons, students can be found studying, visiting with friends and listening to music around the beautiful fountain at Harding Centennial Plaza. The fountain and plaza area is one of Conway’s signature landmarks and is a popular location for campus events.

Torreyson Library
Students who prefer a quiet place to study often turn to Torreyson Library complete with computers, reference materials, group meeting rooms for student projects, 24-hour study center and an on-site Starbucks.

Student Center
The student center is located in the center of campus and is where you can go to enjoy activities such as movie nights, guest speakers and musical performances. It is also the home to the university bookstore, post office, convenience store, coffee shop, ATM, study lounges and food court.

Health and Fitness
Students who like to stay active visit the Health, Physical Education and Recreation (HPER) Center. The HPER Center is a 115,000-square-foot recreation center with basketball, volleyball and racquetball courts, a walk/jog track, pool, exercise class studios and a fitness center complete with a full slate of cardio and strength-training equipment. Students can also get in touch with nature and take a jog along the gravel trail through the Jewel Moore Nature Reserve, located just outside the HPER Center.

The Arts
The Baum Gallery inside McCastlain Hall is an educational art museum that serves as a cultural resource for the state. The gallery participates in national and international touring exhibitions and programs and curates original exhibits. When world-class dance troupes, plays and musicians come to campus, they perform at Donald W. Reynolds Performance Hall. UCA students receive free or discounted tickets to many of these performances.
Dining Options

Diverse Choices
Campus dining provides an array of options and menus that can tempt any palate, and our dining service staff is committed to providing a quality program to students.

When hunger strikes, Christian Cafeteria is a great place to go. Three meals a day are served Monday through Friday from a variety of stations that offer culturally diverse menu selections such as pasta, pizza, grill and deli selections, all-day breakfast, traditional favorites, ethnic dishes, fresh market fruits and veggies, local selections and more. The cafeteria accommodates special dietary needs, provides vegan and vegetarian options and offers individual support for those with food allergies. The cafeteria serves brunch and dinner on weekends. There are many other on-campus dining options as well. From pizza to sushi, we’ve got you covered all over campus. Enjoy dining choices like Quiznos, Chick-Fila, Mooyah, Pizza Hut and Einstein Bros Bagels.

Meal Plans

Student meal plans are designed to suit your needs. All students living in on-campus housing are required to have a meal plan. All of these meal plans come with Dining Dollars (DD). There are three basic types of meal plans:

• **Traditional**
  You choose the number of meals per week you want to eat in the cafeteria during the semester. There is also a Total Access Plan where you can go the cafeteria as many times as you like.

• **Block**
  You receive a set number of meals for the semester. These meals can be used in the cafeteria or through the meal equivalency options at other dining locations. Block plans expire at the end of each semester. Meals don’t roll over.

• **Dining Dollars**
  These plans are only available to those students living in our apartments and Greek Village. You have a set amount to spend for the semester. Each purchase you make at any of our food service locations are deducted from your starting balance. DD expire at the end of summer session II and are non-refundable.
Housing Rates
Our campus residences are more than buildings: they are living and learning communities. To learn more about our housing rates, please visit: uca.edu/housing

Dining Rates
Every student living on campus is required to carry a meal plan. For information regarding dining rates, please visit: uca.edu/housing/campus-dining
How to Apply

Applying for housing at UCA is easy! Make sure you apply by April 1st for fall (within 14 days of one another) in order to guarantee your requested roommate preference. Simply follow the steps listed below to apply for housing and pay the deposit.

Steps to Apply

1. Log into myUCA. (my.uca.edu)
2. Click the “myUCA” tab at the top.
3. Locate the “Housing and Residence Life” channel on the right side of the page.
4. Click the button labeled “Access myHousing.”
5. Click the button labeled “New to Housing.”
6. Select the UCA Housing application from the drop-down menu.
7. Follow the application instructions, and pay the $100 deposit.
Which Residential College is right for you?

Whether you’re interested in the arts, science, community service, business, health and wellness or leadership, there is a residential community to meet your needs. Each of our five residential college communities has its own unique character and theme.

Residential Colleges

UCA brings learning to life through a residential college system unlike anywhere else in Arkansas. We’re the only four-year public university in the state to make residential colleges available to all incoming freshmen.

Our five residential colleges are learning communities that allow you to take classes where you live while working closely with upperclassmen and faculty in residence.

It’s an atmosphere that results in higher grades, 10 percent more students returning to school for the next semester and 12 percent more students graduating. Students get to know their professors, develop close relationships with their fellow students, and get the opportunity to work closely with their residential college mentors.

EDGE (Educating for Diversity & Global Engagement) is a living & learning community that cultivates participation in global learning, civic engagement & leadership, service learning & volunteering, and meaningful study abroad. EDGE@Hughes is geared toward students who want to make a difference in the world at large.
Why Choose a Residential College?

- Increase your chances of academic success.
- Residential College students earn higher grades and are more likely to return to college after completing their first year.
- Get to know your fellow students while completing UCA Core classes.
- Get involved in campus activities and civic organizations.
- Residential College students work closely with local volunteer organizations to be a positive influence on the community.
- Being part of a Residential College allows you to take classes with other students who live in your building. You will make life-long friends, form study groups and feel at home quickly.

EPIC at Bear Hall

This living-learning community for upper-class and transfer students focuses on Entrepreneurship, Public Scholarship, Innovation and Community Engagement (EPIC). EPIC students build an innovative residential community that generates an entrepreneurial climate and promote connections and communication with the community at large.

HPaW at Baridon Hall

Short for Health Promotion and Wellness, HPaW serves as a unique learning community for students, allowing them to work together towards their futures in health professions and behavioral sciences. This residential college is UCA’s newest living-learning community for freshman students.

The Stars at Short/Denney Hall

Be a star while “living the arts” in this freshman living-learning community. Highlights of curricular programs in The Stars include the UCA Public Appearances, cultural and educational trips, live music performances, poetry and theatre performances, art exhibitions in the classroom and more.

STEM at Arkansas Hall

This residence hall houses the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) living-learning community for freshman students. STEM fosters the academic success of students pursuing studies in science, technology, computer science, pre-engineering and mathematics.
Campus Living

Living in the residence halls or in other campus housing gives you the opportunity to make friends, get connected and have the true collegiate experience. Living on campus really makes college feel like home. Here at UCA, our on-campus accommodations are comfortable, affordable and convenient.
STEM at Arkansas Hall

Arkansas Hall is a three-story residence hall located near Christian Cafeteria and Estes Stadium. This coeducational community is open to freshman students of all majors. The hall features double rooms, community-style bathrooms and fully furnished community kitchen areas. Additionally, Arkansas Hall is home to the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) living-learning community.

RESIDENCE TYPE
- Residential College
- Coeducational Community

REQUIREMENTS
- Freshman

FEATURES
- Cable TV Service
- Internet Access
- Double Rooms
- Community-Style Bathrooms with Private Changing Areas
- Community-Style Full Kitchen
- Free On-Site Laundry Facilities
- Bed, Desk & Wardrobe per Resident

WINDOW DIMENSIONS 53” x 48”
HPaw at Baridon Hall

Baridon Hall is a three-story residence hall featuring free on-site laundry facilities. Baridon Hall is set up suite-style, with two rooms, a bathroom, and a living space in each suite. It is conveniently located by the Student Center and the Student Health Center.
Bear Hall

Bear Hall is a four-story residence hall. It offers some of the largest double occupancy rooms on campus. With a location next to Estes Stadium and the football field, any sports fan will be right at home. The fourth floor houses the EPIC residential college for upperclass students.
Bernard Hall

This four-story residence hall offers some of the largest double occupancy rooms on campus. Bernard Hall is conveniently located adjacent to the Student Center and is a short walk to Torreyson Library. It features free on-site laundry facilities.
Carmichael Hall

This all-female freshman community is located near the Student Center. Carmichael Hall features double rooms and community bathrooms. This three-story residence hall features a fully furnished community-style kitchen and free on-site laundry facilities that make living on campus convenient and easy.

RESIDENCE TYPE
- Traditional Residence Hall

REQUIREMENTS
- Freshman
- Female

FEATURES
- Cable TV Service
- Internet Access
- Double Rooms
- Community-Style Bathrooms with Private Changing Areas
- Community-Style Full Kitchen
- Free On-Site Laundry Facilities
- Bed, Desk & Dresser per Resident

WINDOW DIMENSIONS 38” x 55”
RESIDENCE TYPE
• Traditional Residence Hall
• Coeducational Community

REQUIREMENTS
• Freshman

FEATURES
• Cable TV Service
• Internet Access
• Double Rooms
• Community-Style Bathrooms with Private Changing Areas
• Community-Style Full Kitchen
• Free On-Site Laundry Facilities
• Bed, Desk & Dresser per Resident

WINDOW DIMENSIONS 38” x 55”

Conway Hall
Conway Hall is a freshman living community that features double rooms and community bathrooms. It is conveniently located beside the Christian Cafeteria and also features a fully furnished community-style kitchen and free on-site laundry facilities.
Farris Hall

Farris Hall is a four-story residence hall that houses honors students. This coeducational community features single rooms and suite-style bathrooms, a community-style full kitchen and free on-site laundry facilities. It is conveniently located across the street from the HPER Center.
RESIDENCE TYPE
- Residential College
- Coeducational Community

REQUIREMENTS
- Freshman

FEATURES
- Cable TV Service
- Internet Access
- Double Rooms
- Community-Style Bathrooms with Private Changing Areas
- Community-Style Full Kitchen
- Free On-Site Laundry Facilities
- Bed, Desk & Dresser per Resident

WINDOW DIMENSIONS 38” x 55”

EDGE at Hughes Hall
Hughes Hall is a three-story residence hall located near the Christian Cafeteria. This coeducational community is open to freshman students of all majors. The hall features double rooms, community-style bathrooms and fully furnished community kitchen areas. Additionally, Hughes Hall is home to the EDGE Residential College.
New Hall

New Hall is a four-story residence hall located near the HPER Center and the Christian Cafeteria. This coeducational community is open to upperclassmen of all majors. This hall features single rooms, suite-style bathrooms and community-style kitchens. Free on-site laundry facilities are also available in New Hall.
State Hall is a three-story residence hall located near the Christian Cafeteria and the UCA Police Department. This coeducational community is open to freshmen of all majors and features double rooms, community-style bathrooms, and a community-style fully furnished kitchen facility. Free on-site laundry facilities are also located in State Hall.
Stars at Short/Denney Hall

Short/Denney Hall is a three-story residence hall open to freshmen of all majors. It is conveniently located near the Christian Cafeteria and the Student Center. Short/Denney features double rooms, suite-style bathrooms, free on-site laundry facilities and a fully furnished community kitchen area.
Bear Village

Bear Village Apartments is a two-story coeducational apartment complex open to upperclassmen. These apartments feature double and single rooms, full kitchens, two full baths and washer/dryer units in each apartment. Conveniently, a shuttle service is provided to the heart of campus Monday through Friday and a convenience store is located on the property.
Erbach

Erbach Apartments is a two-story coeducational apartment complex open to upperclassmen. These residences feature double rooms, two full baths, a full kitchen and washer/dryer units in each apartment. Erbach Apartments are conveniently located across the street from the College of Business.

RESIDENCE TYPE
- Apartment Living
- Coeducational Community

REQUIREMENTS
- Upperclassman

FEATURES
- Cable TV Service
- Internet Access
- Double Rooms
- 2 Full Baths
- Bed, Desk & Dresser per Resident
- Full Kitchen with Barstools
- Loveseat & Club Chair in Living Room
- Washer & Dryer

WINDOW DIMENSIONS
Living Room 66” x 60”
Bedroom 33” x 60”
Oak Tree Apartments are townhouse-style apartments available to female upperclassmen. These apartments feature double and single rooms, one and a half baths, full kitchens and a washer/dryer in each apartment. Oak Tree Apartments are conveniently located across the street from the College of Business.
Stadium Park

Stadium Park apartments is two-story coeducational apartment complex available to upperclassmen of all majors. These apartments feature double and single rooms, one full bath, full kitchens and on-site laundry facilities. Stadium Park apartments are conveniently located next to the Farris Center.

RESIDENCE TYPE
- Apartment Living
- Coeducational Community

REQUIREMENTS
- Upperclassman

FEATURES
- Cable TV Service
- Internet Access
- Double Rooms/Single Rooms
- 1 Full Bath
- Bed, Desk & Dresser per Resident
- Full Kitchen with Table & Chairs
- Loveseat & Club Chair in Living Room
- Laundry Facilities On-Site

WINDOW DIMENSIONS
- Bedroom 35” x 70”
- Bedroom 70” x 58”
Torreyson Place

Torreyson Place is a coeducational townhouse-style apartment complex available to upperclassmen. These apartments feature double rooms, two full baths, full kitchens and a washer/dryer in each apartment. Torreyson Place Apartments are conveniently located across the street from the College of Business.
Greek Village

Phase One of the project slated to open at the beginning of the fall 2015 semester, the Greek Village project will accommodate the many needs of an expanding greek community with beautiful housing, chapter room spaces, and brand new common-use spaces. The project will also redefine and enhance the northeast corner of UCA by welcoming visitors, students, and community members to the campus with beautiful, red brick Colonial Georgian architecture. Greek Village will not only help our fraternity and sorority community grow, but it will also set UCA apart from other campuses in the region with a unique living environment for generations to come. Visit uca.edu/gogreek for more information.