



GHS Student Residence

Why GHS Student Residence?

If you prefer to be independent, want to mix with other students, socialise easily and want to practise your newly acquired knowledge of English at a bar rather than with a host family, then this is for you.

The GHS Student Residence is ideal if you book our city centre school and prefer residence accommodation.

Compared to a host family, you enjoy more personal freedom.

The student residence is ideal for the 18 to 25 age group.

Features

Each room is equipped with a single bed, a washing basin, a desk and a wardrobe. There is also a safe in each room.

Students can relax in the lounge area or watch TV or DVDs. There is also a fully-equipped kitchen for self-catering, with a stove, a fridge, a microwave and a toaster. Wifi is available free of charge.

Location

The Student Residence is situated in the suburb of Observatory. This is a lively suburb with many young people, and there are lots of trendy bars and restaurants close to the residence. The nearest MetroRail station is very close and it only takes a few stations to reach either of our two language schools.

Address

15 Burham Road



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Observatory 7925
Cape Town, South Africa

Travel costs to either of the two schools

ZAR 102 (€ 7 / US\$ 7,70) per week

Rooms

Single rooms, bathroom to share

Meals

Self-catering; 2 fully equipped kitchens are available.

Bedding

Is provided and will be changed once a week.

Towels

Bring your own.

Laundry

A commercial laundry service is close by. Students from Good Hope Studies receive a discount.

Wifi

Free of charge (1 GB per day).

Deposit

A refundable deposit of ZAR 1.500 / € 100 / US\$ 100 will be collected (preferably by Visa or MasterCard) on the first day of school. This covers the course book borrowed, keys for accommodation, pre-booked excursions and breakage. It will be refunded in full if there is no loss or damage.

Cancellation

After arrival the accommodation can be cancelled with a three-week notice period.





Please read before travelling

At our residences, we try hard to provide budget accommodation of a high standard. We decorated our premises with care, we keep them clean and replace broken things promptly, we provide security and give thought to what you need to feel comfortable. However, we depend on you and your fellow students to assist us in providing a place that everyone loves to stay in.

Assistance

It is very important to us that you enjoy your stay at the Student Residence. Our residence manager visits the Student Residence once a week to look after your comfort. Please contact her during her visit or approach reception should there be anything that is not to your satisfaction. Our cleaning staff takes care of the cleaning. Our residence manager visits the residences every Tuesday evening between 5 and 6pm.

Please approach the YMCA reception for all matters concerning the YMCA complex.

Contact numbers

Brandon (079 772 7690), Michael (061 452 7876) and Cader (082 767 6874) live on the premises.

After hours telephone number: 061 7677 329.

Security and safety

Student Residence is located within a secure complex. The Residence Supervisor can be found on the premises at night and over weekends should any problems arise. The Student Residence is used only by Good Hope Studies' students and no other residents of the YMCA are allowed into the residence.

Valuables

A safe is provided in each room in the cupboard. It is important that you lock away your valuables. Never leave your cash, credit cards, etc. in your room. Please note that all valuables that are left on the property or in the safe are done so entirely at your own risk and that Good Hope Studies shall not be responsible or held liable for any loss or damage.

Useful to know

Laundry

A laundry bag is provided for your convenience. You can take it to the 'Wash O' Matic' Laundromat at 52 Lower Main Road, Observatory (Mondays to Fridays 7:30am to 6:30pm, Saturdays 7:30am to 1pm).

Cleaning

General cleaning is done every day in the morning, Monday to Friday. The bedrooms are cleaned once a week.

Maintenance

Please report any maintenance issues to the reception at the school.

Shops and Restaurants

You will find shops and restaurants along the Lower Main Road in Observatory, which is a 5-minute walk away.



Extra Blankets

Please ask at reception at the school if you need extra blankets.

Wifi

The Student Residence is a Wifi hot-spot. You can use this service for a minimal fee by purchasing credit vouchers online (check the board in the student lounge for further details).

Check out

On the day of your departure please be out of your room by 10am.

Remember to leave the key in the key drop-off box situated outside the entrance of the mens' accommodation.





House Rules

We would like you to enjoy your stay with us. It is also important to us that you are safe at your accommodation, that your behaviour doesn't impact on the experience of other residents and that the neighbours around the residence continue to allow a student accommodation next to them.

We have put together house rules and it is very important that you respect them. Should you have any questions please approach our residence manager or the reception desk.

General Conditions

When booking accommodation, the resident accepts and agrees to the "House Rules". No refund shall be considered for any resident who is asked to leave any accommodation belonging to Good Hope Studies for reasons related to a violation of the "House Rules".

Smoking

- No Smoking inside any buildings. (Level 2)
- Use ashtrays outside.

Visitors

- No people other than Good Hope Studies clients are allowed on the property at any time. (Level 2)
- Only three Good Hope Studies clients who are not residents are allowed to visit at the same time, but must leave by 21:00. On-site accommodation only: guests must be registered with the residence manager. (Level 2)
- No one, except residents, is allowed to sleep over. (Level 1)
- Student Residence only: Members of the opposite sex are not allowed in each others bedroom. (Level 2)

Safety

- Do not give your key to anyone. (Level 1)
- Always keep the front gate closed and locked. (Level 2)
- Do not play with the fire extinguishers or smoke alarms! They are there for your own safety. Tampering with this equipment is a criminal offence. (Level 1)

Tidiness

- Tidy up after yourself, especially the public areas.
- Wash your own dishes or use the dishwasher provided.

- Keep the kitchen clean and tidy. (Level 2)
- Throw away old food regularly.

Noise

- You are staying in a residential area. Respect the neighbours and keep the noise at an appropriate level. (Level 2)
- No loud noise at any time. All noisy activities must end by 21:00. (Level 2)
- Strictly no parties. (Level 2)

Breakage

- Items missing or broken will be replaced. The costs will be recovered from the resident's deposit. Should no one take responsibility, the cost will be shared amongst all residents.

Alcohol

- No underage drinking will be allowed on the property. The legal drinking age in South Africa is 18 years of age. (Level 1)
- No excessive alcohol consumption is allowed. (Level 2)
- Student Residence only: the YMCA does not allow any alcohol on its premises. (Level 2)

Drugs

- The possession, purchasing or taking of illegal narcotics is strictly prohibited and a criminal offence. (Level 1)

Wifi

- Everyone staying at any Residence belonging to Good Hope Studies is allowed to use the Wifi facilities free of charge. The service is based on fair-use and on a best-effort basis. Excessive downloading (relative to the regular student average) or download of illegal content (i.e. pirated movies, music, software etc.) or attempting to mask your computers identity (VPN

or other spoofing software) will lead to the device(s) being throttled (slowed-down) or blocked entirely from our network.

Others

- Please note that your accommodation keys, tags, remotes and laundry bags are the property of Good Hope Studies and should be returned to us on the day of your departure. Your deposit will NOT be returned to you until we have received your keys, tags, remotes and laundry bags.
- Ensure lights and appliances are switched off when not in use.
- Report maintenance issues to the school as soon as possible.
- Use the laundry bag for your dirty laundry (Student Residence and Student House).
- You may not stay in our accommodation if you are not doing a Good Hope Studies course or volunteer programme.

Consequences

It is very important to us that you respect these rules. Our staff will regularly visit the residences. Please approach us should you have any questions.

Breaking a rule marked (level 2) will have the following consequences:

- First time: written warning.
- Second time: written warning and we deduct 1/3 of your deposit.
- Third time: we deduct the final 2/3 of your deposit, you must leave the accommodation and no refund is given for the remaining weeks.

Breaking a rule marked (level 1) will have the following consequence:

- Your deposit will be deducted in full, you must leave the accommodation and no refund will be given for the remaining weeks.

