UCI Graduate Housing Options

What should I know about on-campus graduate housing?
- All incoming PhD students are offered a housing guarantee for roughly four years (normative time to degree, 5 years, minus one year). [https://housing.uci.edu/apply/Guarantees.html](https://housing.uci.edu/apply/Guarantees.html)
- You must submit a housing application after accepting your offer of admission and accept your housing offer after receiving it.
- Graduate housing is close to campus and relatively inexpensive compared to housing immediately surrounding UCI

How do I apply for graduate housing?
- After submitting your intent to register you should receive an email explaining the housing offer. Housing applications open March 1st and close May 1st. [https://housing.uci.edu/apply/How_To_Apply.html#newgrads](https://housing.uci.edu/apply/How_To_Apply.html#newgrads)
- You'll be given the option to rank several preferences for housing community/floor plans as well as move-in date.
- You'll receive your housing offer toward the end of May/early June and you will have a couple of days to decide whether to accept the offer.
- If you plan to live on campus it is highly recommended to accept your first housing offer. Move-in dates will vary from July to September. Although they try to match your preference, move-in dates will not always fit the specific preference requested. If you decline the housing offer and later wish to return to housing on-campus you will be added to a waitlist and it can often take several months to get another offer.

Where should I live?
- There are several housing communities to choose from (Verano Place VP, Palo Verde PV, and Campus Village CV). Each offer a variety of floor plans and rents. ([https://housing.uci.edu/rates/Rates.html](https://housing.uci.edu/rates/Rates.html)).
- There are additional housing communities in a higher price range run by American Campus Communities ACC that offer additional amenities (A/C, dishwashers, etc.). [https://housing.uci.edu/acc](https://housing.uci.edu/acc)

How close is housing to campus?
- Most housing is within walking distance to campus (5 to 20 minutes)
- For the further housing within the ACC apartments many students take the free school shuttle (The Anteater Express) to campus from housing.

How can I apply for housing with my significant other?
- During the application progress specify you plan to live with your significant other.
- Prepare an Affidavit of Marriage or Adult Partnership and have the form notarized. [https://housing.uci.edu/communityLife/Graduate_Policies.html](https://housing.uci.edu/communityLife/Graduate_Policies.html) (You do not need to be married to use this form or to apply for housing together). This form will need to be sent to housing while accepting the housing offer.

What additional amenities are offered in the Graduate Housing communities?
- Laundry facilities, amazon lockers, and community grills
- Amazing gyms facilities at the Anteater Recreation Center (ARC). [https://www.campusrec.uci.edu/](https://www.campusrec.uci.edu/)