

FAQs – Cross Village | 05.17.2021

Contract/Rate Questions

How do I sign up to live at Cross Village?

- Pending approval by the OU Board of Regents, students, including incoming first-year students, will be able to complete a Cross Village contract Monday, May 24, 2021 at 9 a.m. CDT through Monday, May 31, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. CDT. Visit the OU Housing website at www.ou.edu/housingandfood for more information.

What are the rates to live at Cross Village?

- Cross Village housing rates have yet to be set. Rates will be presented to the OU Board of Regents on May 27, 2021. Rates should be comparable to Residential Colleges and Headington Hall rates found on the OU Housing website at www.ou.edu/housingandfood.

When will the Cross Village contract be available?

- Pending approval by the OU Board of Regents, Cross Village will be open to all OU students, with priority for incoming first-year students, including students with current OU Housing contracts for fall 2021. The Cross Village housing contract will open Monday, May 24, 2021 at 9 a.m. CDT and remain open until Monday, May 31, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. CDT. Visit the OU Housing website at www.ou.edu/housingandfood for more information.

Will the OU Housing contract be modified to now include Cross Village under “First-Year Community Preferences”?

- For fall 2021, students will need to fill out a contract for Cross Village via the OU Housing portal, following approval by the OU Board of Regents, beginning Monday, May 24, 2021 at 9 a.m. CDT until Monday, May 31, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. CDT.

I am an incoming first-year student for fall 2021. I’ve already turned in my Housing contract. How can I modify it to select Cross Village as my top choice?

- Students already under housing contracts will have the opportunity to complete a Cross Village contract, pending approval by the OU Board of Regents, beginning Monday, May 24, 2021 at 9 a.m. CDT until Monday, May 31, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. CDT.

I am a current resident of Cross Village, how will I be affected by this transition?

- Pending approval by the OU Board of Regents, individuals currently under contract with Cross Village can be released without penalty or remain a resident, and be subject to new terms, conditions, and other policy changes.

Who Can Live at Cross Village

Will first-year students be able to live at Cross Village?

- Yes. Beginning fall 2021, the priority group for Cross Village will be first-year students, with an option for upper-class students.

Why do first-year students get to live in Cross Village for fall 2021?

- This resolution allows OU to strategically shift long-term housing plans to accelerate work on the Freshman Housing Master Plan – a multi-year plan to replace Walker, Couch, and Adams Towers with new structures.

Are single rooms available?

- Cross Village offers units with 1, 2, and 4 bedrooms. 1-bedroom options are very limited.

Can I have a roommate?

- For 2- and 4-bedroom units, you can list your roommate *preference(s), or you can go “pot luck.”
 - *incoming students can only select one roommate
- If you have requested a roommate on your previously completed OU Housing contract your roommate request will not carry over to your Cross Village contract. Discuss your plans with your prospective roommate to ensure you both complete the Cross Village contract and mutually request each other.

How will rooms be assigned?

- Room assignment is based on signed/amended contract dates and times and inventory availability.
- Room assignments will be sent out July 2021.

Can first-year and upper-class students be paired together in the same unit (whether by random matching or as a roommate preference)?

- If an upper-class student would like to room with a first-year student, then they must mutually request one another.

Will units with first-year students be located in the same general area of the facility, or will first-year units and upper-class units be mixed together?

- That has not yet been determined. The Residential Colleges have students of different academic years mixed together; however, we have more flexibility with this location.

Will student employees be hired as resident advisers (R.A.s) in Cross Village?

- Yes. A Residence Life Coordinator will also live on site.

How can I apply to be an R.A. at Cross Village?

- Resident advisors (R.A.) selection has been completed for fall 2021.

Will Cross Village maintain its current staff?

- The university has not yet determined whether individuals employed by Capstone On-Campus Management, Cross Village’s current manager, will transition to the university. The university will provide more information as it becomes available.

Life at Cross Village

Where is Cross Village located?

- The property is located south of The Gaylord Family-Oklahoma Memorial Stadium at the corner of Jenkins Avenue and Fourth Street.

What are the floor plans of Cross Village?

- Available floor plans:
 - 1 Bed/1 Bath – 300 sq ft.
 - 2 Bed/1 Bath – 572 sq. ft.
 - 4 Bed/2 Bath – 875 sq ft.

What are the amenities at Cross Village?

- Cross Village is home to 1,200 fully furnished single-bed units with a range of amenities, including a 24-hour fitness facility and a black box theater.
- Each unit includes a kitchenette with sink, refrigerator, and microwave. A common kitchen is available on every floor.
- Units are furnished with a full-size beds and living room furniture.
- Privacy locks are on each bedroom, and electronic entry allows entry into the unit.
- Cross Village also features retail storefronts and meeting/outdoor spaces.

What is planned for the retail spaces located in Cross Village?

- The university has not yet determined how the office, commercial, and other community spaces in Cross Village will be used at this time. However, the university is planning on transitioning some student services to Cross Village for easier accessibility. The university will provide more information as it become available.

Do I have to have a meal plan to live at Cross Village?

- Yes, incoming first-year students must purchase a meal plan. For more information on meal plans, visit www.ou.edu/housingandfood/dining/meal_plan_details.

Will OU dining options (that accept meal plans) be available at Cross Village?

- Meals plans can be used at all the Cross Village locations as well as all other dining locations on campus, including retail locations and Couch Restaurants, located within easy walking distance of Cross Village.

Do I have to have an OU parking permit to park in the Cross Village parking garage?

- Yes, all students will be required to have an OU parking permit to park in the Cross Village parking garage.

For more information on OU's acquisition of Cross Village, please visit https://www.ou.edu/web/news_events/articles/news_2021/a-message-from-president-harroz-freshman-housing-master-plan.

Related Housing FAQs

Does OU still plan to build the new residence halls in place of the Towers?

- Yes. The Freshman Housing Master Plan, approved by the Board of Regents, will still be enacted.

When will the Freshman Housing Master Plan begin? Will the existing towers be demolished in phases or all at once?

- The Board of Regents approved the plan at its March 2021 meeting with plans to begin implementation in late summer 2021, starting with Adams Tower.
- The Cross Village acquisition accelerates the plan years ahead of schedule, bringing a first-class, premier housing option online in 2021 versus 2025.
- The project will be done in phases.