

Accommodation Allocation Policy

Linacre College is usually able to offer all new students requiring accommodation a room in one of the College's houses or buildings. Priority is given to these new incoming students for the start of each academic year. Most Linacre students will need to find their own accommodation in subsequent years, but can be added to the waiting list for accommodation by contacting the Accommodation Manager.

Allocation of rooms to new incoming students starts in January/February each year. As students receive their College offers, they also receive information about applying for College accommodation. An accommodation preference form is provided to be completed and returned, as soon as possible, to the Accommodation Manager. The Accommodation Manager then allocates rooms on a first come, first served basis. Once all rooms in one site have been allocated, a waiting list is operated. As current students receive exam results or decide they no longer wish to attend Oxford, rooms start to become available again throughout the summer months. As rooms become available, those on the accommodation waiting list are contacted and offered rooms. If all new incoming students have been offered rooms and there are no more new incoming students on the waiting list, the next waiting list, of current Linacre students, is started on. This process continues into September and October. Many current students will have secured accommodation elsewhere by this time. If no Linacre students require the College rooms, there is also a waiting list of students from other Colleges requiring accommodation. If, exceptionally, no Oxford students require accommodation, rooms may be let to other suitable tenants.

There are however some exceptions to the general policy above:

Students with disabilities or long-term medical conditions may be eligible for College rooms for their second and subsequent years. Please contact the Accommodation Manager in the first instance, who will direct you to the Dean for Welfare and Equalities.

Current Linacre students who are starting a new course may apply for a second year of accommodation. Please contact the Accommodation Manager as early as possible if this applies to you.

First year students who are unable to take up College accommodation due to fieldwork or other academic commitments should register their interest with the Accommodation Manager, as soon as possible, for a College room the following academic year.

Some scholarship holders are entitled to two years in College accommodation.

The Junior Dean is offered an on-site flat and the three Senior Students are allocated on-site rooms, to enable them to perform their duties effectively.

Each of the College houses and buildings has a designated Head Resident. The Common Room President works with the Accommodation Manager to allocate Head Resident posts to members of the CR Exec, of the CR Committee, or other appropriate students. Head Residents are in post for the full academic year, usually from October through until the following July. In return, each of these Head Residents provides a vital communication link between the accommodation and College.

The Gym Manager is usually allocated a room in the Abraham building to ensure availability for gym management purposes.