



Green Path Program Residence Agreement – 2024

(For on campus residence during the 12 weeks Green Path program period)

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SECTION I. Goals of University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) through this agreement

- To provide Green Path students with a safe living and learning environment that is consistent with the academic mission and expectations of student life at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC)
- To facilitate the success of all Green Path students
- To provide a safe, well-maintained, and furnished residence unit
- To develop an inclusive community that is characterized by mutual understanding and respect
- To assist students with the transition to university life through counseling, peer mentoring/outreach, social interaction and educational programming
- To communicate effectively with Green Path students throughout the summer. Communications will occur in various formats such as, but not limited to: in-class and special event announcements, bulletin postings and notices within the residence units. [UTSC staff will communicate with students primarily through email and Quercus (<http://q.utoronto.ca>) for important announcements and authorizing residential entry. All Green Path students must check Quercus daily and have a valid email address reachable by the University. All students are expected to read and understand University emails thoroughly.]

SECTION II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Term

This agreement governs the on-campus presence including residence (Residences are located on-campus at the University of Toronto Scarborough) of Green Path students from May 27, 2024 to August 16, 2024. (Note: a separate agreement and fee will be required of students who stay on residence after the end of the Green Path program from August 17, 2024 until the start date of the Fall 2024.)

2. Construction and renovations

The University at times may be engaged in renovation projects on campus or in the residences. Although UTSC will take appropriate measures to minimize the disruption to the community, there may still be noise, dust or disruption to services while these improvements are underway. Should it be necessary, UTSC reserves the right to relocate Green Path students to another on-campus residence unit in order to comply with health and safety standards. There will be no compensation or reduction of residence fees due to disruption, construction, renovation or relocation.

3. Condonation of breach not a waiver

Any excusing, condoning, or overlooking by the University of any default, breach, or non-observance by the student, of any condition or regulation of the Agreement will not operate as a waiver of the University's rights under the Agreement in respect to subsequent defaults, breaches or non-observances of terms of the Agreement.

4. Termination

The University reserves the right to terminate this agreement and remove the student from the residence in the event of the student's removal from the Green Path program or violation of the terms of this agreement.

SECTION III. GENERAL RESIDENCE SAFETY AND BEST PRACTICES

The University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC) has policies and procedures in place to ensure the safety and response to emergencies. Students must contribute to a safe environment in residence by following the policies outlined and reporting any concerns immediately to UTSC staff or UTSC Campus Police.

1. Residence safety

Students must follow these safety tips for personal safety, safety of roommates and to promote a safe residence community.

- Keep front doors, sliding glass doors and windows closed and locked when last to leave or return to the residence. Housing inspections will occur. A minimum \$50 dollars per person per residence per occurrence fine will apply if violations are discovered. This safety practice requires constant communication and coordination with roommates.
- Keep bedroom doors locked when not in the residence.
- Identify all visitors before to allowing their entry to the residence. If the student does not know the visitor(s), the visitor(s) are not allowed to enter the residence.
- Students must keep residence access keys in their possession.
- Students must look out for one another by participating in a "community watch" program. Working together and being alert to potential safety issues are key elements to promoting a safe environment.

2. Cooking safety

While cooking, it is important to avoid being distracted. Students must not leave a cooking stove or kitchen appliance unattended while in use. Students **must turn on the exhaust fan located above the stove while cooking** as this will diminishes the occurrences of setting off the smoke detectors accidentally. Students must make sure the stovetop is properly cleaned after each use. Due to the risk of fire, deep-frying is not permitted in the residences. Failure to follow this rule will result in disciplinary action. If students wish to deep-fry food, it must be done in a special electric closed deep fryer, which can be purchased at any store selling electric appliances. Light pan-frying is permitted and must be monitored carefully.

3. Smoke detectors

Smoke detectors are required by law in all University buildings, including residences. It is required that all smoke detectors in the residence are working properly. If a smoke detector continues to beep or does not appear to be working, the student must contact UTSC Conference Services staff immediately to replace the battery or detector. **Tampering with or disconnecting a smoke detector is a serious violation compromising the safety of others and will result in disciplinary actions and/or legal consequences.**

4. Responsibility for loss, damage and theft

The University is not liable, directly or indirectly, for loss, damage or theft of personal property or for damage or destruction of such property by fire, water or any other causes (e.g. loss of utilities) or for any kind of personal injury including death, discomfort, damage while at the residence or on the campus. UTSC is not responsible for any loss or damage that students or their guest may incur as a result of an emergency whether natural or human made that is beyond the University's control. There is no reduction to residence fees or charges or any other compensation for any such direct or indirect loss, theft, damage, destruction, inconvenience, injury or discomfort (including as a result of labor disruption). Students shall ensure that they have sufficient personal insurance to cover any damage to or loss of belongings or personal injury.

5. Room decorations, storage, furniture, and damage

Students may not decorate, move furniture or store excess items without the expressed written consent of the University. Students are responsible for loss and/or damage within the residence of any University property.

6. Life skills and knowledge

Before arrival, students are expected to have the following basic skills and knowledge:

- Cleaning skills: Maintaining a clean & healthy living environment
- Laundry skills: How to properly wash clothes and bed linens
- Cooking skills: How to prepare meals using safe food preparation methods
- Nutrition knowledge: How to maintain a balanced and nutritious diet
- Personal health and safety knowledge

SECTION IV. RESIDENCE REGULATIONS AND POLICIES

The following policies exist to create a community that is characterized by mutual respect and to promote safety. Policies exist to protect individuals as well as the greater community. Failure to comply with the following policies will result in disciplinary actions and possible expulsion from the Green Path program.

1. Alcohol

Consistent with the contractual agreement signed by student, parent and University representative, the possession and/or consumption of alcohol on campus is forbidden regardless of the age of the student. Failure to abide by this expectation will affect the student's continuation in the Green Path program.

2. Gambling and weapons

Gambling (including games such as Majiang) and firearms including but not limited to replicas of BB guns, bows, axes and other sharp objects that are prohibited on University property. All violations are punishable by law.

3. Lock-outs and lost keys

The University staff understands that students sometimes forget their keys. UTSC staff will not be opening doors for students on a regular basis. Students will have three (3) free lockouts. For the fourth (4th) and each subsequent lockout, students will be charged a minimum \$25. If students lose their keys they will be charged for replacements.

4. Guest policy

Overnight guests are NOT allowed in the residences. If someone is visiting and needs accommodation, please let UTSC Conference Services staff know as soon as possible so appropriate arrangements can be made. While guests will not be staying with students, there may be other accommodations available to the guest at additional cost. Guests are not permitted to sleep in student residence common rooms or any other public place in residence.

Lending residence keys to guests is prohibited. Students are allowed to have non-overnight guests in their residences. Once the guest enters UTSC residence property, they become the student's responsibility. If concerns are raised about the guest or if the guest behaves against University residence standards, the guest may be asked to leave and may be banned from entering residence again. Students will be held accountable for misbehavior of guests. This includes the student receiving disciplinary sanctions and charges for damages and cleaning costs.

5. Illegal Substances/Drugs

The possession, use and trafficking of illegal substances and drugs is prohibited. These are all offences under the University of Toronto Student Code of Conduct and could also lead to charges under the Criminal Code of Canada and the Narcotics Act of Ontario. Any evidence of possession, use or trafficking of illegal substances and drugs will lead to expulsion from the Green Path program. Evidence can include residue, paraphernalia, odor and any attempts to cover odor.

6. Pet policy

Pets are ***NOT*** allowed in residence. Any visiting guest must leave their pets outside. The only exception to this is a certified animal used to assist a student with sight, hearing or mobility impairments. If this is the case, students must first discuss this with the University staff. If animals are found in residence, the student will have to find another place for the pet immediately and maintenance staff will be sent to perform necessary cleaning. The violating student is responsible for the cleaning cost.

7. Security

Policies and practices are in place to promote a safe environment. Each student is responsible for following policies and doing their part to create a safe environment. Students must lock residences and apartment doors at all times and must carry keys at all times to access residence. Keys are not to be lent to anyone. Tampering with locks is strictly forbidden. Doors are also never to be propped open (i.e. with a chair).

8. Noise policy

Quiet Hours in residence are Sundays to Thursdays, 10 pm to 8 am on Fridays and Saturdays, 11 pm to 9 am. During Quiet Hours, it is expected that noise, music or socialization will not disturb members within the residence community. During exam periods, Quiet Hours will last 23 hours with a consideration hour from 6 pm to 5 pm, where moderate levels of noise and socialization are permitted.

9. Cleanliness

No matter where the students are living, it is in their best interest to keep their residence clean. A clean residence will maintain good health. Students are responsible for cleaning all areas in their residence: walls, tile floors, kitchen counters, appliances (i.e. refrigerator, stove), tables, furniture, bathrooms, showers, toilets, bedroom desks, etc. Students will also vacuum the carpets. During inspection, UTSC Conference Services staff expects the residence to be nearly as clean as when first occupied.

10. Residence inspections

To ensure all Green Path students are following residence policies, UTSC Conference Services will be conducting bi-weekly residence inspections. All common areas will be inspected for cleanliness and order. Each residence will receive a copy of the report to review and make improvements. From time to time, Housing Services will perform official inspections of each unit's common spaces and clean areas which the students did not properly clean based on the earlier report from Conference Services. Any cleaning work that is carried out by Housing Services will have a fee associated with it, in the minimum amount of \$50 per student, per occurrence. Additionally, any special cleaning services required will have further charges associated with them beyond the minimum fee.

11. Proper storage & disposal of food, garbage and recycling

Students must properly store and dispose of residence waste. Students must follow the guidelines for recycling. If insects or animals appear as a result of poor storage or lack of disposal, notify UTSC Conference Services staff immediately.

12. Room assignment and roommate

The University will determine room and roommate assignments at its sole discretion to ensure the same gender occupancy. Roommate change requests will be considered but may not be granted. UTSC reserves the right to change roommate assignments as it sees fit.

13. Rights to authorized entry

The University, solely to the extent of its right, title and interest, hereby grants its authorized employees, agents or contractors the authorization and consent to enter residence common areas and bedrooms for the purpose of carrying out their duties (e.g. maintenance, repairs, fire equipment inspection, pest control, technology services, housing inspections and cleaning services, etc.) to ensure the safety, security, health and well-being of everyone in the residence unit. University staff may enter the residential premises without permission and without giving any notice for two reasons:

- If there is an emergency
- If there is a breach or violation of residence rules and agreements, or reasonable evidence that such a breach or violation occurred

NOTE: ENTRY FOR EMERGENCIES

An emergency could be defined as an unforeseen combination of circumstances that calls for immediate action. Such things as smoke, unusual odors, flames, water damage, broken windows, heat or power failure, smoke detector alarm sounding and threat to life or property are considered emergencies. Authorized staff may enter the residential premises without consent or notice when they believe an emergency exists. If an emergency happens when the student is not present, the staff will knock on the entrance before using pass keys. Contact attempts will be documented.

14. Smoking and open flame policy

Consistent with the University of Toronto Smoke-Free Policy smoking and vaping of tobacco, cannabis and other products is **NOT permitted** anywhere on campus. This policy applies to all staff, faculty, students and visitors on the University property. In many aspects it is also against the law. Lighting candles, incense and all types of open flames are also prohibited.

SECTION V. CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Academic & Social Responsibilities

All students must:

- Adhere to Green Path Residence Policies and Code of Conduct
- Behave in a responsible manner
- Respect the rights, privileges and property of other students, staff and guests
- Attend all classes and arrive promptly and be fully prepared
- Participate in class and Green Path events
- Strive to be an excellent student
- Demonstrate good citizenship

- Notify University staff if experiencing difficulty or have any concerns
- Pay all fees as properly invoiced by the University
- Obey the University of Toronto's Code of Student Conduct

2. University of Toronto's Code of Student Conduct

All students, including Green Path students are subject to the University's Code of Student Conduct. Students will find this document on the University's Governing Council's website:

<http://www.governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/Assets/Governing+Council+Digital+Assets/Policies/PDF/ppjul012002.pdf>

Green Path students with behavioral challenges may be expelled from the Green Path program and will not be continuing his/her studies at the University.

3. Green Path Student Specific General Expected Behavior

The Green Path program is a special admissions pathway into University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC). Students represent their family, their country and themselves. Good conduct and behavior will optimize the benefit of this program to the student as well as continuing the excellent reputation earned by this program since 2004. All students must realize that while they have freedoms new to them, but there are also new responsibilities that are critical to personal and academic success, and must be managed properly.

SECTION VI. ACCEPTANCE OF AGREEMENT

When you submit a Green Path online application to U of T Scarborough, it is deemed you accept all terms listed in this document.

The University of Toronto respects your privacy. The information on this form is collected pursuant to section 2(14) of the University of Toronto Act, 1971. The information is collected so that we can provide you with additional and personalized information about the University of Toronto and its programs and services, as well as for statistical purposes. At all times it will be protected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. If you have questions, please refer to www.utoronto.ca/privacy or contact the University's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Office at 416-946-5835, Rm 201, McMurrich Bldg., 12 Queen's Park Cres, Toronto, ON, M5S 1A1