



## 2026 RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION AND MEAL COSTS

Accommodation Type	<b>SINGLE RESIDENTIAL</b>
Cost	<p><b>\$16,997</b></p> <p><b>\$517 per fortnight</b> is the accommodation (rent) component of cost for Centrelink Rent Assistance applications</p>
What's Included	Furnished accommodation for 44 weeks and meals & tea/coffee for 37 weeks (excluding breakfast and Sunday night meal). Refer to the Meals Calendar and the Opt-in table. Accommodation includes electricity; water; wireless internet connection; washing machine, washing powder and dryer; access to common rooms/social spaces, car parking, bike storage, our beautiful gardens and grounds.
Additional Costs to plan for	<p>Textbooks; stationery; photocopying; phone; pillow(s) and linen; all breakfasts, additional opt-in period accommodation and meals (see opt-in table).</p> <p>A cleaning fee of \$200 will be incurred if your room is not left clean and tidy at the time of inspection and/or upon departure.</p>
Note	The accommodation cost is for 44 weeks of the year. Additional fees apply if you wish to stay in college accommodation during opt-in weeks for your accommodation and for catering (if available). The College reserves the right to let your clean and tidy room to visiting students and guests etc. during opt-in periods, if you choose not to opt-in to the accommodation offering – see below for opt-in periods.
Accommodation Type	<b>MARRIED RESIDENTIAL COUPLE</b>
Cost	<p><b>\$38,126</b></p> <p><b>\$978 per fortnight</b> is the accommodation (rent) component of cost for Centrelink Rent Assistance applications.</p>
What's Included	Furnished accommodation for whole year and meals & tea/coffee for student and spouse for 37 weeks (excluding breakfast and Sunday night meal) – refer to Meals Calendar. Accommodation includes electricity; water; wireless internet connection; use of washing machine, washing powder and dryer in the central laundry; access to common rooms/social spaces, car parking, bike storage, our beautiful gardens and grounds.
Additional Costs to plan for	Textbooks; stationery; photocopying; phone; pillow(s), linen, and mattress unless overseas student; all breakfasts, holiday and public holiday meals, particular lunch/snack requirements for working spouse. A cleaning fee of \$350 will be incurred if your room is not left clean and tidy at the time of inspection and/or upon departure.
Note	The accommodation cost is an annual fee, payable by monthly direct debit. However, in the final year of your study you will need to vacate your allocated accommodation within two weeks following the Graduation Service. (see college calendar for Graduation date).

Accommodation Type	<b>RESIDENTIAL FAMILIES</b> Adjustments of \$499 per annum will be made for each school age child
Cost	<b>\$42,216</b>  <b>\$1,082 per fortnight</b> is the accommodation (rent) component of cost for Centrelink Rent Assistance applications.
What's Included	Unfurnished accommodation for whole year and meals & tea/coffee for 37 weeks for student, spouse and children (excluding Breakfast and Sunday night and week-day lunch for school aged children) – see Meals Calendar. Accommodation includes electricity; water; wireless internet connection; use of washing machine, washing powder and dryer in the central laundry; access to common rooms/social spaces, car parking, bike storage, our beautiful gardens and grounds.
Additional Costs to plan for	Textbooks; stationery; photocopying; phone; pillow(s) and linen, all breakfasts, holiday and public holiday meals. School lunches/snacks for school age children.  A cleaning fee of \$500 will be incurred if your residence is not left clean and tidy at the time of inspection and/or upon departure.
Note	The accommodation cost is an annual fee, payable by monthly direct debit. However, in the final year of your study you will need to vacate your allocated accommodation within two weeks following the Graduation Service (see college calendar for Graduation date).
Accommodation Type	<b>FAMILIES OFF CAMPUS</b>
Cost	<b>Varies by property</b>
What's Included	Unfurnished accommodation and entirely self-catered other than lunch provided to the student on weekdays at College.
Additional Costs to plan for	All family expenses and outgoings attached to the accommodation arrangement. Internet, phone, and furnishings not usually included. You will need to allow for utility outgoings e.g. electricity, gas, and water usage.  A cleaning fee of \$500 will be incurred if your residence is not left clean and tidy at the time of inspection and/or upon departure.
Note	The accommodation cost for self-catered off campus family accommodation is an annual fee, payable by monthly direct debit. However, in the final year of your study you will need to vacate your allocated accommodation within two weeks following the Graduation Service. (see calendar for Graduation date).

Please note, at any time you experience stress in meeting your financial commitments during your time at College you are encouraged to discuss this with your Residential Student Advisor and the College Accountant. Some support funds are available, and alternative off campus options may be available.

## SINGLE RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION NOW AVAILABLE ALL YEAR ROUND

**Single Residential 2026 Additional Opt-In Periods** to facilitate single residential students having year-round accommodation. If you decide **not to opt-in** for any period (see below), you need to leave your room in a clean and tidy condition, as per our checklist, and take any valuables with you. Your room may be hired over the period for those attending intensives, SMBC events or staying here for other purposes.

**Opt-in will close one month beforehand.** Periods in isolation of the default accommodation period are not available - enquire to the Service Centre ([admin@smbc.edu.au](mailto:admin@smbc.edu.au)) for other short-term accommodation availability and pricing if needed.

**The default period for singles accommodation is from the Saturday prior to Orientation Week to the Tuesday after Graduation. In 2026 this is 24 January to 1 December.**

The guiding principle is that you can extend your stay or resume your stay early abutting either the start or end of the default accommodation period, but that extension or resumption cannot start or finish during the Christmas closure.

Singles may choose the following opt in options for the opt in period:

- Opt-in for the entire period
- Extending for a period of your choosing (a continuous block of days from the standard exit date) up to the last working day before College Christmas closure period
  - If students do not leave before the College Christmas closure you must check out and pay for the period up to the time college re-opens for the new year
- Opt-in for a continuous period of your choosing from the College Christmas Closure period to Orientation Week without break.
  - This period could also begin before the Christmas closure period.

### **Single Residential 2026 Additional Opt-In Periods:**

Period	Dates	Cost	Note
Pre-Christmas (This Year)	02/12/2025 to 24/12/2025	\$46 (accommodation only) per day	Offered to existing students only. Accommodation in this period must abut a continuous block of accommodation from either the end of the previous default accommodation period or to the start of the next default accommodation period
Christmas Closure Period (This Year)	25/12/2025 to 04/01/2026	\$46 (accommodation only) per day	Offered to existing students only. Accommodation in this period must abut a continuous block of accommodation from either the end of the previous default accommodation period or to the start of the next default accommodation period. If this time overlaps this Christmas period, you need to pay for the entire Christmas period.
Post Christmas	05/01/2026 to 16/01/2026	\$48 (accommodation only) per day	Offered to existing students only. Accommodation in this period must abut a continuous block of accommodation from either the end of the previous default accommodation period or to the start of the next default accommodation period
Language Intensive Week	17/01/2026 to 23/01/2026	\$48 (accommodation only) per day	Accommodation in this period must abut a continuous block of accommodation to the start of the next default accommodation period.
Pre-Christmas (Next Year)	01/12/2026 to 24/12/2026	\$48 (accommodation only) per day	Offered to existing students only. Accommodation in this period must abut a continuous block of accommodation from either the end of the previous default accommodation period or to the start of the next default accommodation period
Christmas Closure Period (Next Year)	25/12/2026 to 03/01/2027	\$48 (accommodation only) per day	Offered to existing students only. Accommodation in this period must abut a continuous block of accommodation from either the end of the previous default accommodation period or to the start of the next default accommodation period. If this time overlaps this Christmas period, you need to pay for the entire Christmas period.