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Every link you’ll find on this guide is clickable, so just *tap on the link* and it’ll take you to the website you want to go to.

If you find any issues in the guide, please contact anyone in our team and let us know! Our team has put in a lot of effort into this handbook to make your transition to Missouri State *as easy as possible!*

*We hope you find this helpful!*
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DEAR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

On behalf of the faculty and staff of Missouri State University, we would like to extend a very warm welcome to Springfield, Missouri, and to Missouri State University.

OUR GOAL IS

to make your time here both PRODUCTIVE & ENJOYABLE

We are pleased to provide you with a copy of *The Guide: Everything International Students Need to Know*. In this comprehensive guide you will find information on community activities and events, as well as a variety of essential services such as cellular phone service, transportation needs, and restaurant favorites, etc.
NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST

Completing these items before the semester begins will help you focus on your studies this fall. Our airport pick-up crew and Global Leaders and Mentors (GLaM) will help you with any item you have questions about.

VISIT:
International.MissouriState.edu/Services/Admit.htm
FOR MORE DETAILS

☐ Complete the Mandatory Immigration Check-in through International Student and Scholars Portal

☐ Attend New International Student Orientation:
  • August 8-9 at Missouri State University

☐ Meet with your advisor and register for classes

☐ Attend your academic orientation (SOAR or Graduate Orientation)

☐ Set up your BearPass account online and get your BearPass card

☐ Request airport pick-up (click here)

☐ Contact us to confirm health screenings:
  ☐ • TB-test questionnaire & appointment (click here)

☐ Submit official transcripts (if not already submitted)
  Graduate ➔ send to Graduate College
  Undergraduate ➔ send to International Services
This year Welcome Weekend 2024 is set for Aug. 15-18. Visit this link to find a full list of events and detailed information about Missouri State's welcome events:

International Students in the past have loved these events, so make sure you check them out:

- Playfair
- Rally in the Valley
- Transfer & Commuter Student Ice Cream Social
- Bear Bash
- New Student Convocation
- Student Organization Festival
- Belong-B-Q
U.S. Mobile carriers operate on a **prepaid plan**. When purchasing a prepaid plan there are three components included: **text, calls and LTE** (internet/data).

Most of the carriers and plans listed within this guide include unlimited calls and texts within the US.

The amount of GBs of data dictates the difference between costs. **International calling and texting** will be an additional charge.

**AT&T**


Prepaid plans starting at **$25** per month

1011 S. Glenstone Ave.
(417) 831-0550

**CRICKET**

[www.cricketwireless.com](http://www.cricketwireless.com)

Prepaid plans starting at **$60** per month

1538 S. Glenstone Ave.
(417) 763-3259
CELL PHONE PROVIDERS

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T-MOBILE
www.t-mobile.com
Prepaid plans starting at $75 per month
1414 E. Battlefield Rd.
(417) 833-0182

T-MOBILE
www.t-mobile.com
Prepaid plans starting at $75 per month
1414 E. Battlefield Rd.
(417) 833-0182

STRAIGHT TALK
www.straighttalk.com/all-plans
Prepaid plans starting at $35 per month
Not in Springfield
+1 (887) 430-2355

US CELLULAR
www.uscellular.com
Prepaid plans starting at $25 per month
3825 S. Glenstone Ave.
(417) 885-3826
There are *a lot* of other options out there, so make sure you pick the plan that best suits your needs!
When it comes to home internet, some companies charge different rates depending on availability at your home address. The following are base costs, though some activation, installation, modem rental and tax fees may apply.
Whether you love the outdoors, festivals, car shows, or the celebration of the season; *Springfield will have something for you!*

Check events websites for more details.

**FARMERS MARKET AT THE OZARKS**

Cost: **FREE**

[www.loveyourfarmer.com/](http://www.loveyourfarmer.com/)

Weekly on: Saturday (Open Year-Round)
- Spring/Summer/Fall: 8am - 1pm
- Winter 9am - 1pm

**G-STREET CITY MARKETS**

Cost: **FREE**

[www.historiccstreet.com/events](http://www.historiccstreet.com/events)

Weekly on: Thursdays 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**STUDENT NIGHTS AT GATEWAY GOLF**

Cost: **50% OFF**

[www.getawaygolf.com](http://www.getawaygolf.com)

Weekly on: Thursdays 4:00 - 10:00 pm
**HISTORY MUSEUM ON THE SQUARE**

Cost: **FREE**

www.springfieldmo.org

Wednesday-Saturday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday: 1 - 5 pm

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**FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK**

Cost: **FREE**

www.springfieldmo.org

Monthly on: First Friday of every month
6:00 - 10:00 pm

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**28TH ANNUAL JAPANESE FALL FESTIVAL**

Cost: **$8-$12**

www.peacethroughpeople.org

September 6-8

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**ROCKIN’ ROLL BIKE & MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Cost: **VARIES**

www.springfieldmo.org

September 14
THE WIZARD OF OZ
Cost: VARIES
www.springfieldlittletheatre.org/
September 13-29
Multiple dates. Visit website for more info

25TH CIDER DAYS ON HISTORIC WALNUT STREET
Cost: $5
www.itsalldowntown.com
September 16-17

2024 MISSOURI FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL
Cost: FREE
www.ozarkempirefair.com
September 14

OZARKS FALL FARM FEST
Cost: FREE
ozarkfallfarmfest.com/
October 4-6
PETS & PUMPKINS
FESTIVAL

Cost: $2

www.petsandpumpkins.com
October 19

APPLE BUTTER
MAKIN' DAYS

Cost: FREE

www.festivalnet.com
October 11-13

THRILLER ON
C-STREET

Cost: FREE

www.dancewithme.us
October 19

AND MANY MORE!

www.springfieldmo.org
www.ksmu.org
www.itsalldowntown.com
GETTING INVOLVED
WITH INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Looking for ways to get involved with other #InternationalBears? At our office, we’re committed to creating many events and opportunities for all students to get involved and represent themselves, practice public speaking, and get engaged in the community.

While many of these events are social gatherings where you’ll make new friends, they’re also great opportunities to make new connections and network with the Springfield community.

► ArtWalk: Sept. 6 | Oct. 4 | Dec. 6

At this event you’ll be able to represent your country and showcase it with the rest of the Springfield community.

Not ready to represent yet? No worries! Come hang out with us and experience other cultures!
Tailgates are an American tradition you must experience! A couple hours before the game, all students gather to cheer the football team on.

You’ll find free food, games, and lots of free activities to enjoy!

Tour of the Globe: Nov. 1

Think of it as a trip around the world all in one night! Experience over 20+ different countries and their food, dance, music, games, + more

We’d love to have you join our team to represent your country and all its beauty!

Are you ready to get involved?

Contact us at:
InternationalPrograms@Missouristate.edu or shoot us a DM on social media!
INTERNATIONAL DINING

Price range is the approximate cost per person for a meal including one drink, tax and tip.

Provided by www.yelp.com

$ = under $15 | $$ = $15-$30 | $$$ = $31-$60 | $$$$ = above $61
◇ = within walking distance from campus

BRITISH

London Calling Pasty Company $
2825 Glenstone Ave.
(417) 705-6000

CHINESE

Asian King Buffet $
3130 S. Glenstone Ave.
(417) 889-8388

Bao Bao $
2101 W. Chesterfield Blvd.
(417) 877-7505

Corner 21 $$$
1369 E Sunshine St.
(417) 766-6630

CreAsian $
501 W. Chestnut Expwy.
(417) 865-8899

Hong Kong Inn Restaurant $
1645 N Glenstone Ave.
(417) 881-1113

Ichiban Buffet $
625 N. Glenstone Ave.
(417) 866-2770
New Oriental $  
550 E Chestnut Expy.  
(417) 351-5686

Triple Eight’s $  
1710 S. Kansas Expy.  
(417) 832-8889

**COLOMBIAN**

La Chiva Colombiana $  
1530 E. St. Louis St.  
(417) 569-6320

Van Gogh’s Eeterie $$  
334 E. Commercial St.  
(417) 344-0085

**DUTCH**

**FRENCH**

Aviary by Lavender Falls Cafe $$  
2144 E Republic Road  
(417)-881-9736

**INDIAN**

Nawab’s Indian Restaurant $$  
3654 S Campbell Ave  
(417) 844-5050

Taj Mahal $$  
1250 E. Republic Rd.  
(417) 719-4573

Zayka $$ ◊  
311 S. Jefferson Ave.  
(417) 351-4400

**ITALIAN**

Avanzare Italian Dining $$$  
1908 S. Glenstone Ave.  
(417) 567-3463

Bambinos Café on Delmar $ ◊  
1141 E. Delmar St.  
(417) 862-9999
**Fuji Japanese Seafood & Steakhouse $$**
2909 S. Campbell Ave.
(417) 889-0088

**Haruno $$**
3044 S. Fremont Ave.
(417) 887-0077

**Hinode Steakhouse $$**
4301 S. National Ave.
(417) 877-1777

**Izumi Hatake-Sushi Grill $$ ◊**
302 E. Walnut St
(417) 865-0366

**Kai $$ ◊**
306 S. Campbell Ave.
(417) 832-0077

**Karai $$**
640 W. Republic Rd. Ste 100
(417) 319-5225

**Pappos Pizzeria $$ ◊**
221 E. Walnut St.
(417) 866-1111

**The Hill $$**
600 E. Battlefield Rd,
(417) 920-8850

**Rocco’s Pizza $$**
834 E. Division St.
(417) 868-8221
4315 S. National Ave.
(417) 319-5580

**Bruno’s $$ ◊**
416 South Ave.
(417) 866-0007

**Di Giacinto’s $$**
2259 S. Campbell Ave.
(417) 882-5166

**Gilardi’s $$$**
820 E. Walnut St.
(417) 862-6400

**Nicola’s Ristorante $$**
3631 E. Sunshine St.
(417) 886-3700

**Nonna’s Café $$ ◊**
306 South Ave.
(417) 831-1222

**JAPANESE**
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<td>2615 S. Glenstone Ave.</td>
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<td>310 W. Battlefield St.</td>
<td>(417) 823-7788</td>
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<td>OMO Japanese Soul Food $$</td>
<td>2101 W. Chesterfield St B102</td>
<td>(417) 755-7214</td>
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<td>Sakura Japanese Sushi Bar &amp; Grill $$</td>
<td>3230 S. National Ave.</td>
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<td>Umi Japanese Restaurant $$</td>
<td>3046 S. Kimbrough Ave.</td>
<td>(417) 882-1110</td>
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<td>4121 S. National Ave</td>
<td>(417) 886-2777</td>
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<td>Golden Korean Restaurant $$</td>
<td>1406 W. Sunshine St.</td>
<td>(417) 832-1093</td>
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<td>K Fried Chicken $</td>
<td>3050 S National Ave</td>
<td>(417) 771-5968</td>
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<td>4121 S. Fremont Ave.</td>
<td>(417) 882-0077</td>
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<td>320 E. Walnut St.</td>
<td>(417) 597-3382</td>
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<td>That Lebanese Place $$</td>
<td>338 E. Commercial St.</td>
<td>(417) 536-6677</td>
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<td>The Kebab Shack $$</td>
<td>900 E Battlefield Rd.</td>
<td>(417) 306-9087</td>
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**Mexican**

Amigos Mexican Restaurant $  
2118 S. Campbell Ave.  
(417) 887-1401

Brother’s tacos  
(moving food truck; check Facebook page for more details)  
Usually at: 3114 W Sunshine St.  
(720) 240-1809

Jose Locos $  
853 N. Glenstone Ave.  
(417) 831-1300

Mexican Villa $  
1408 S. National Ave.  
(417) 869-4459

Primas Mexican Kitchen  
3662 S Glenstone Ave.  
(417) 890-1212

Purple Burrito $  
1700 S. Campbell Ave.  
(417) 863-6688

Tinga Tacos $ ◊  
308 W. McDaniel  
(417) 831-8007

Tortilleria Perches $  
1601 W. Sunshine St.  
(417) 864-8195

Tacos El Gordo $  
1510 N. National Ave.  
(417) 402-9307

**Mongolian**

HuHot Mongolian Grill $$  
2825 S. Glenstone Ave.  
(417) 882-0300

**Peruvian**

Café Cusco $$  
234 E. Commercial St.  
(417) 868-8088

Chef Nelly $  
Catering and Farmers Markets Only  
(417) 671-9956
THAI

Everyday Thai $$
220 W Battlefield Rd.
(417) 770-0147

Rama Thai $ ♦
1129 E. Walnut St.
(417) 865-3204

Thai Xpress $
948 S. Glenstone Ave.
(417) 865-0101

Thailand Station $
1730 E Republic St
(417) 350-1001

Tong’s Thai Restaurant $$
3454 S. Campbell Ave.
(417) 889-5280

VIETNAMESE

Asia Express $
2462 S. Campbell Ave.
(417) 883-2462

Bambu $
1338 E. Battlefield St.
(417) 881-9881

Hong Yen $$
2922 S. Campbell Ave.
(417) 351-3915

Pho Kim $
3433 S. Campbell Ave. Suite C
(417) 883-9999

FOR MORE INFO ON RESTAURANTS VISIT:
WWW.SPRINGFIELDMO.ORG/RESTAURANTS/
OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING — furnished

prices are per bedroom; prices listed below are subject to change.
Ș = Short lease option available
◊ = Offers Guarantor programs

GREECO
Ș 310 N. Jefferson Ave.  
(417)859-1219  
www.liveatparkeast.com
- Studio Starting at $860/mo
- 1 Bedroom Starting at $930/mo
- 2 Bedroom Starting at $855/mo

DEEP ELM
◊ 701 E. Elm St.  
(417)450-4390  
www.elevatemostate.com
- 4 Bedroom Starting at $565/mo

SKY ELEVEN
Ș 331 Park Central East  
(417)859-1219  
www.liveatparkeast.com
- 1 Bedroom Starting at $980/mo
- 2 Bedroom Starting at $745/mo
- 3 Bedroom Starting at $725/mo

THE JEFFERSON
◊ 835 S. Jefferson Ave.  
(417)450-4390  
www.elevatemostate.com
- 4 Bedroom Starting at $565/mo
**The Sterling**

312 Park Central East  
(417)859-1219  
[www.liveatparkeast.com](http://www.liveatparkeast.com)

- Studio: Starting at $805/mo
- 3 Bedroom: Starting at $615/mo

**The U**

318 Park Central East  
(417)859-1219  
[www.liveatparkeast.com](http://www.liveatparkeast.com)

- 1 Bedroom: Starting at $915/mo
- 2 Bedroom: Starting at $670/mo
- 3 Bedroom: Starting at $655/mo
- 4 Bedroom: Starting at $645/mo

**Aspen**

1028 E. St. Louis St.  
(417)201-4593  
[www.aspenspringfield.com](http://www.aspenspringfield.com)

- 2 Bedroom: Starting at $790/mo
- 3 Bedroom: Starting at $725/mo
- 4 Bedroom: Starting at $660/mo

**Beacon Park**

530 E. Bear Blvd.  
(417)719-7616  
[www.beaconspringfield.com](http://www.beaconspringfield.com)

- 1 Bedroom: Starting at $920/mo
- 2 Bedroom: Starting at $679/mo
- 3 Bedroom: Starting at $620/mo
- 4 Bedroom: Starting at $630/mo

**Bear Village**

840 S. Roanoke St.  
(417)862-2327  
[bearvillageapartments.com](http://bavv6rageapartments.com)

- Studio: Starting at $945/mo
- 1 Bedroom: Starting at $1,050/mo
- 2 Bedroom: Starting at $745/mo
- 3 Bedroom: Starting at $745/mo
- 4 Bedroom: Starting at $630/mo
THE QUBE
634 E. Bear Blvd.
(417)450-4390
elevatemostate.com

4 Bedroom
Starting at $600/mo

THE 505
505 E. St. Louis St.
(417)404-0505
www.the505springfield.com

Studio
Starting at $1050/mo

1 Bedroom
Starting at $725/mo

2 Bedroom
Starting at $695/mo

3 Bedroom
Starting at $650/mo

4 Bedroom

800 SOUTH
830 S. Robberson St.
(417)450-4390
www.elevatemostate.com

1 Bedroom
Starting at $955/mo

2 Bedroom
Starting at $725/mo

VUE ON WALNUT
430 E. Walnut St.
(417)351-2302
www.thevueonwalnut.com

2 Bedroom
Starting at $819/mo

3 Bedroom
Starting at $749/mo

4 Bedroom
Starting at $579/mo
Before you sign your apartment lease be sure to ask your new landlord if any discounts exist for Missouri State University international students.
OFF-CAMPUS

HOUSING — unfurnished

These properties charge a flat rate for the apartment that may be split between roommates; prices listed below are subject to change.

CHERRY PLAZA

1210 E. Cherry Plaza
(417)512-8020
cherrypiazza.
thewootenco.com

2 Bedroom Starting at $775/mo

CAMPUS COURT

1228 E. Belmont St.
(417)512-8020
campuscourt.
thewootenco.com

1 Bedroom Starting at $550/mo
2 Bedroom Starting at $725/mo

EAST MANOR

1333 E. Elm St.
(417)512-8020
eastmanor.
thewootenco.com

1 Bedroom Starting at $715/mo
2 Bedroom Starting at $815/mo

EL CHAPARRAL

1302 E. Elm St.
(417)512-8020
centercityspringfield.
thewootenco.com

Studio Starting at $635/mo
1 Bedroom Starting at $615/mo
EL MADRID
1445 E. Cherry St.  
(417)512-8020  
elmadrid.thewootenco.com

1 Bedroom  Starting at $630/mo  
2 Bedroom  Starting at $730/mo

EMBASSY
937 E. Elm St.  
(417)512-8020  
thewootenco.com

1 Bedroom  Starting at $675/mo  
2 Bedroom  Starting at $875/mo

MARKWOOD
1079 S. Campbell Ave.  
(417)512-8044  
markwood.  
thewootenco.com

1 Bedroom  Starting at $475/mo  
2 Bedroom  Starting at $625/mo

MARKET ST
1100 S. Market Ave.  
(417)512-8046  
marketstreet.  
thewootenco.com

1 Bedroom  Starting at $795/mo  
2 Bedroom  Starting at $995/mo

CENTRAL FLATS
435 E. Harrison St.  
(417)444-5331  
centralflats.  
thewootenco.com

Studio  Starting at $645/mo  
1 Bedroom  Starting at $695/mo
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<td>2 Bedroom</td>
<td>Starting at $1,250/mo</td>
<td>(417)622-0099</td>
<td><a href="http://www.rozahomes.com">www.rozahomes.com</a></td>
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<td>4 Bedroom</td>
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<tr>
<td>2010 E. Page St.</td>
<td>1 Bedroom</td>
<td>Starting at $585/mo</td>
<td>(417)866-3449</td>
<td>townandcampusapts.com</td>
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<td>2 Bedroom</td>
<td>Starting at $655/mo</td>
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<td>813 S. Roberson St.</td>
<td>4 Bedroom</td>
<td>Starting at $1600/mo</td>
<td>(417)832-0885</td>
<td><a href="http://www.athomehere.com">www.athomehere.com</a></td>
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<td>450 E. Walnut St.</td>
<td>4 Bedroom</td>
<td>Starting at $2,000/mo</td>
<td>(417)832-0885</td>
<td><a href="http://www.athomehere.com">www.athomehere.com</a></td>
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<td>1242 E Cherry St.</td>
<td>2 Bedroom</td>
<td>Starting at $1,000/mo</td>
<td>(417)832-0885</td>
<td><a href="http://www.athomehere.com">www.athomehere.com</a></td>
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MONROE
433 E. Monroe St.
(417)832-0885
www.athomehere.com

2 Bedroom Starting at $750/mo

REGENCY TOWERS
634 S. National Ave.
(417)862-6891
regencytowersapartments.com

1 Bedroom
2 Bedroom
3 Bedroom

BE SURE TO ASK YOUR NEW LANDLORD IF ANY DISCOUNTS EXIST FOR MISSOURI STATE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS BEFORE YOU SIGN YOUR LEASE!
Here is a compilation of some property management companies around town. Feel free to contact them directly and check their availability.

**SOUTHWOOD PROPERTIES**
www.southwoodproperties.com  
1234 E. Elm St.  
(417)869-5421

**HASELHORST PROPERTIES**
www.mostateapts.com  
433 E. Grand St.  
(417)863-1902

**BRYAN PROPERTIES**
www.bryan-properties.net  
2659 E. Normandy St.  
(417)864-6303

**SUNRISE MANAGEMENT**
www.sunrise-management.com  
1740 S. Glenstone Ave.  
(417)882-3453

**WOOTEN PROPERTIES**
www.thewootenco.com  
1675 E. Seminole St. Suite B  
(417)883-8365

**ROZA HOMES**
www.rozahomes.com  
1122 E. Walnut St.  
(417)763-3131
C. ARCH BAY CO.
www.carchbay.com
453 S. Patton Ave.
(417)869-3112

TLC PROPERTIES
www.tlcproperties.com
3811 S. Weller Ave.
Suite A-101
(417)869-1118

AFFINITI
affinitimanagementservices.com
4940 S. Farm Road 189,
Suite 300
(417) 865-5447

ELEVATE
www.elevatemostate.com
701 E. Elm St.
(417)450-4390

AT HOME REAL STATE
www.athomehere.com
1628 S. Campbell St.
(417)832-0885

DEBCO PROPERTIES
www.debcorentals.com
2900 S. Fremont Ave.
(417)881-3216

PARK EAST
www.liveatparkeast.com
318 Park Central East
Suite 104
(417)859-1219

MCFORRENT LEASING CO.
www.mcforrent.com
431 S. Jefferson Ave.
Suite 132-B
(417)394-5500

FOR MORE INFO ON HOUSING VISIT:
WWW.RENTCOLLEGEPADS.COM
Our team has put together a list of terms frequently used and sometimes not commonly known when a student is navigating housing off campus.

**Lease**

A legally binding contract. Essentially a promise between two parties where one person grants another the right to use their property for a certain period of time, typically detailing how long you’ll stay, your monthly payment, and what both of you will be responsible for. It is very important to read it thoroughly and commit yourself to living in that location before signing. BREAKING A LEASE BEFORE THE LEASE ENDS OFTEN INCLUDES HIGH FEES.

**Subletting / Subleasing**

This happens when the person who originally rented the property decides to rent it out to someone else, but they keep their name on the original rental agreement.

This option is available to students who wish to move out before their contract ends. YOU MUST CHECK WITH YOUR PROPERTY AS NOT EVERY LOCATION OFFERS THIS OPTION.
That’s money you give your landlord when you move in. It’s kept aside *just in case there’s damage* to the place or if rent isn’t paid. *It’s not extra rent.* Most apartments require this payment to be done before you move in.

A guarantor is typically a *family member or close relative* who agrees to be responsible for the financial obligations of the tenant (you), including rent payments in the case the tenant fails to pay. The signature of a guarantor is mandatory for most lease agreements as this provides assurance to the tenant or leasing company that the rent will be paid even if you encounter financial difficulties.

Some properties offer a *Guarantor program* that will waive the requirement by adding an additional fee to your rent. *Be sure to ask the Property Managers* if they have a Guarantor program.

This is the person who *owns the property* you are renting. They are the ones you sign your lease with and pay rent to.

*That is you if you are renting a place!* You are calling someone else’s property your home for however long your lease says.
All those essential services such as water, lights, heat/air conditioner, internet access, and garbage collection that are not included in your rent and usually mean extra monthly bills. Be sure to check with the property manager on what is included with your rent before signing your lease.

They are people who share a living space, such as an apartment, where they split the cost of rent and utility bills among themselves.
ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

All single students under 21 years of age or who have earned less than 27 hours of transferable credit after high school graduation must live in university housing.

It is recommended that international students interested in on-campus accommodation submit their housing applications for facilities that remain open year-round, should they choose to reside on campus during academic breaks and over the summer.

For on-campus housing, students who wish to live off-campus must often abide by university regulations which may include obtaining approval before breaking an on-campus housing contract.

Signing an on-campus contract typically holds a student responsible for abiding by campus rules, maintaining status as a student, and paying for housing for the full term agreed upon.
Missouri State University, Living-Learning Communities (LLCs) bring together students with the same majors or interests to live in a dynamic space where academic goals meet daily life. These communities host a variety of specially designed activities and events that align with their members’ fields of study.

For newcomers to the university, the sense of community in LLCs is invaluable, offering newcomers a ready-made network of peers who are following similar scholarly paths and passions.

Learn more about LLC’s
reslife.missouristate.edu/livinglearning/default.htm

Interested?

Reach out to the LLC team:
LiveLearn@MissouriState.edu
(417) 836 - 3234
Lots of international bears opt for opening a bank account during their stay in the US. Here’s a list of some banking options.

★ = Close to campus

**CENTRAL BANK**
901 E. St. Louis St. | (417) 869-9100
Mon - Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Process: Call to schedule an appointment or fill out an online application

**GREAT SOUTHERN BANK**
331 South Ave. | (417) 895-4511
Mon - Fri: 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Process: Call to schedule an appointment. Mention that you are an international student

**ARVEST BANK**
535 W. Walnut St. | (417) 885-7415
Mon - Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Process: Schedule an appointment online. Mention that you are an international student
**BANK OF AMERICA**

710 W. Sunshine St. | (417) 227-6867  
Mon - Fri: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
**Process:** Schedule an appointment online.

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**U.S. BANK**

417 St. Louis St. | (417) 868-4400  
Mon - Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. *(closed Wed.)*  
**Process:** Schedule an appointment online

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**TIP!**  
Ask what documents you’ll need to open an account as an international student. This will save you time!
Springfield has multiple places where you can go shopping. These are some of the options available close by.

**BATTLEFIELD MALL**
2825 S. Glenstone Ave. | (847) 294-6427

*Mall Hours:*
- **Mon-Thur** 11:00 am–8:00 pm
- **Fri-Sat** 10:00 am-9:00 pm
- **Sun** 10:00 am-7:00 pm

**PRIMROSE MARKETPLACE**
3408 S. Glenstone Ave. | (847) 294-6427

*Mall Hours:*
Depends on the store
Branson is a must see if you’re coming to Missouri State. While you’re visiting its attractions, make sure you stop by and shop around town!

**BRANSON LANDING**

100 Branson Landing Blvd. | (417) 239-3002

*Mall Hours:*
*Mon-Wed & Sun* 10:00 am–9:00 pm  
*Thur-Sat* 10:00 am-10:00 pm

**TANGER OUTLETS**

300 Tanger Blvd. | (417) 337-9328

*Mall Hours:*
*Mon-Thur* 10:00 am–8:00 pm  
*Fri-Sat* 10:00 am-9:00 pm  
*Sun* 10:00 am-7:00 pm
There are plenty of markets around town. Some carry locally grown food, and some carry international food products!

**Asian Food & Gift Market**
1314 S. Glenstone Ave.
Springfield, MO 65807
(417) 883-9272

**European Market & Bakery**
3023 E. Sunshine St.
Springfield, MO 65804
(417) 886-4446

**Asian World Market**
2902 S. Campbell Ave.
Springfield, MO 65807
(417) 719-4580

**Grace African Market**
3459 W. Kearney St.
Springfield, MO 65803
(417) 726-8165

**Binh Tay Market & Gift Shop**
1418 W. Sunshine St.
Springfield, MO 65807
(417) 866-4953

**India Spice House**
2720 W. Kearney St.
Springfield, MO 65803
(417) 862-9241

**Bombay Bazaar**
1915 S Glenstone Ave.
Springfield, MO 65807
(417) 889-2398

**Jumo African Market**
1454 E. Kearney St.
Springfield, MO 65803
(417) 450-8011
LATINO MARKET
1661 E. Saint Louis St.
Springfield, MO 65802
(417) 831-4227

MAMA JEAN’S NATURAL MARKET
228 W. Sunshine St.
Springfield, MO 65807
(417) 831-5229

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228 W. Sunshine St.
Springfield, MO 65807
(417) 831-5229

NADIA’S EUROPEAN MARKET
3023 E. Sunshine St.
Springfield, MO 65804
(417) 886-4446

SEOUL ORIENTAL MARKET
3165 S. Campbell Ave.
Springfield, MO 65807
(417) 881-2311

OLD TOWN EUROPEAN MARKET
1257 E. Republic Rd,
Springfield, MO 65804
(417) 920-0518

KHUN’S ASIAN GROCERY
1824 S Glenstone Ave.
Springfield, MO 65804
(417) 771-5442

FILIPINO MARKET
3448 S Campbell Ave.
Springfield, MO 65804
(417) 368-0219

KHUN’S ASIAN GROCERY
3165 S. Campbell Ave.
Springfield, MO 65807
(417) 881-2311

321 E. Commercial St.
Springfield, MO 65803
(417) 988-1393 Apr-Oct.

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Springfield, MO 65804
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Year-round:
Sat, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

May-Sept:
Wed, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Year-round:
Sat, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

May-Sept:
Wed, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Year-round:
Sat, 8 a.m. to noon

Apr-Oct:
Tue & Thur, 8 a.m. to noon
Once classes start, you’ll likely have to get some textbooks for your classes. Don’t worry! Our team has come up with a list to help you find the best deals, as we know this can get stressful and pricey.

**Local Bookstores and Rentals**

- **Missouri State Bookstore**
  - shop.missouristatebookstore.com
  - (417) 836-5403

- **Textbucks**
  - www.textbucks.com
  - (417) 866-8398

**Online Bookstores and Rentals**

- **Amazon**
  - www.amazon.com

- **Abe Books**
  - www.abebooks.com

- **Chegg**
  - www.chegg.com

- **Vital Source**
  - www.vitalsource.com

- **Campus Books**
  - www.campusbooks.com
Here are some things you may want to be mindful of before buying or renting textbooks:

- Make sure they are the right textbooks.
  - Check the author(s) and title
  - Check the edition
  - Check the ISBN

- Check the date you have to return them (if you are renting) and make sure it is after your final exams.

- Check when you will be needing them and make sure they arrive before that.

- Pay attention to the conditions of the materials before you order them.

- Be aware that used materials may not come with supplemental materials (e.g., CDs, access codes).
  - Check your syllabus and talk with your professor to see whether they will be using any online components or supplemental materials that sometimes come with the textbook.

TIP! The MSU library (Duane G. Meyer Library) can have older versions of your required books. Ask your professor if that would work!

ONLINE LIBRARY (FREE BOOKS)

ARCHIVE

www.archive.com

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This section of The Guide is dedicated to haircare in Springfield. Everyone’s needs are very different when it comes to hair, so our team thought it would be helpful to include a few of our best shops around town!

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<td>(417) 771-5535</td>
<td>(417) 720-1194</td>
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<td><strong>QUEENS BEAUTY SUPPLY</strong></td>
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<td><strong>SUPERCUTS - CAMPUS</strong></td>
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<td>401 S. Kimbrough Ave.</td>
<td>444 W. McDaniel St.</td>
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<td>(417) 695-4244</td>
<td>(417) 831-2888</td>
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<td><strong>DOVE &amp; CROW SALON</strong></td>
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<td>318 E. McDaniel St.</td>
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<td>(417) 425-5020</td>
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<td>(417) 883-3866</td>
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Whether you’re flying in for the first time, or you’re planning a trip once you get here; make sure you have the right airport! Below are the options available close by.

**SPRINGFIELD-BRANSON NATIONAL AIRPORT**

**AMERICAN AIRLINES**
(800) 433-7300
*flies to:*
Chicago, Dallas, Charlotte

**UNITED AIRLINES**
(800) 864-8331
*flies to:*
Chicago, Denver, Houston

**ALLEGIANT**
(702) 505-8888
*flies to:*
Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Orlando, Tampa, Phoenix, and more

**DELTA**
(800) 221-1212
*flies to:*
Atlanta

**FRONTER AIRLINES**
(801) 401-9000
*flies to:*
Denver, with over 30 connections
### CAB COMPANIES

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<td>All Around Cab Co.</td>
<td>(417) 536-3333</td>
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<td>Springfield Orange Taxi</td>
<td>(417) 234-8828</td>
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<td>Red Taxi</td>
<td>(417) 894-4876</td>
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<td>Royal Taxi</td>
<td>(417) 733-3701</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.Greyhound.com">www.Greyhound.com</a></td>
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<td>Jefferson Lines</td>
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If the department you’re looking for isn’t on this list, please go to Missouristate.edu > type your departments name in the search bar.

For example “economics department” > click on the first link which says your department name > you’ll be directed to the departments web-page > click on contact us in the panel on the left-hand side.

CARE AND ADVOCACY TEAM

CAT helps international students access Missouri State resources.
InternationalCare@MissouriState.edu
international.missouristate.edu/cat.htm

I SUCCEED

Dedicated to providing academic support for international students
Isucceed@missouristate.edu
international.missouristate.edu/i_succeed_page.htm

ADVISEMENT

Academic Advisement
University Hall 109 | (417) 836-5258
UAdvise@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/advising
BEARCLAW

Tutoring, writing assistance
Meyer Library 1st Floor | (417) 836-6398
BearCLAW@MissouriState.edu
www.bearclaw.missouristate.edu

BEARPASS CARD OFFICE

Student ID cards
PSU 128 | (417) 836-8409
www.missouristate.edu/bearpasscard

CAMPUS RECREATION

Recreation center and facilities
Foster Recreation Center | (417) 836-5334
CampusRecreation@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/recreation

CAREER CENTER

Job opportunities, resume writing
Carrington Hall 309 | (417) 836-5636
CareerCenter@MissouriState.edu
www.careercenter.missouristate.edu

CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS & TRANSITION

Meyer Library 116 | (417) 836-8343
cast@missouristate.edu | firstyearprograms@missouristate.edu
www.missouristate.edu/academicsuccess/

COMPUTER SERVICES HELP DESK

Computing Issues
(417) 836-5891
HelpDesk@MissouriState.edu
www.helpdesk.missouristate.edu
INTERNATIONAL PAYROLL
Jim D. Morris Center 507 | (417) 836-3395
InternationalPayroll@MissouriState.edu

INTERNATIONAL SERVICES
Jim D. Morris Center | (417) 836-6618
InternationalServices@MissouriState.edu
international.missouristate.edu/services/

LEARNING DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC
Meyer Alumni Center, Suite 502 | (417) 836-4787
LearningDiagnosticClinic@MissouriState.edu
psychology.missouristate.edu/ldc/

MAGERS HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER
Health & wellness services, pharmacy
Magers Health & Wellness Center | (417) 836-4000
Health@MissouriState.edu
www.health.missouristate.edu

MEYER LIBRARY
Library information
Meyer Library | (417) 836-4700
www.library.missouristate.edu

MULTICULTURAL RESOURCE CENTER
A student center space for YOU!
Plaster Student Union 101
OFFICE OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Student organizations, campus events
Plaster Student Union 101 | (417) 836-4386
StudentEngagement@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/studentengagement

OFFICE FOR INSTITUTIONAL EQUITY & COMPLIANCE

Carrington Hall Rm 205 | (417) 836-4252
Equity@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/equity/

RESIDENCE LIFE, HOUSING & DINING SERVICE

Hammons House Rm 104 | (417) 836-5536
ResidenceLife@MissouriState.edu
reslife.missouristate.edu/

REGISTRAR’S OFFICE

Registration, academic records
Carrington Hall 320 | (417) 836-5520
Registrar@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/registrar

UNIVERSITY SAFETY

Safe walks, emergency contacts
636 E. Elm St. | (417) 836-8870 | Emergency: (417) 836-5509
CampusSafety@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/safety

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

On-campus jobs
Plaster Student Union 208 | (417) 836-5627
StudentEmployment@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/studentemp
STUDENT SUPPORT & OPPORTUNITY SERVICES

Student support and programming
Plaster Student Union 405 | (417) 836-8921
MulticulturalServices@MissouriState.edu
www.multicultural.missouristate.edu

STUDENT SUCCESS INFOLINE

(417) 250-2033
StudentSuccess@MissouriState.edu
tinyurl.com/successmsu

TITLE IX

Carrington 205 | (417) 836-4252
TitleIX@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/titleix/

TESTING CENTER

Meyer Library Rm 010 | (417) 836-6417
TestingCenter@MissouriState.edu
www.missouristate.edu/testingcenter/

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

All things campus transportation
700 E. Elm St. | (417) 836-4825
parking@missouristate.edu
www.missouristate.edu/transportation
Bear line: www.missouristate.edu/transportation/bearline/
CAT helps international students access Missouri State resources including:

• mental health support • bias prevention •
  • community connection •
• other university resources for your support and safety at Missouri State University •

InternationalCare@MissouriState.edu

I Succeed supports students academically. Services include:

• English language support •
• Assistance in understanding U.S. •
  • Academic culture •
• Advice on academic publications, conference presentations, and networking •
• Strategies for cultural adjustment •
• Guidance on continuing education •
  • Internships •

iSucceed@MissouriState.edu
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT

Individuals listed below may be able to provide additional support for the resources mentioned with their names

BRAD BODENHAUSEN
Contact with issues for Missouri State administration.
BradBodenhausen@MissouriState.edu

PATRICK M. PARNELL
Contact with issues for Missouri State administration.
PatrickParnell@MissouriState.edu

IMMIGRATION

MAISON GASPARD
Contact for OPT/CPT questions.
MasonGaspard@MissouriState.edu

TINA LAPEL
Contact for immigration support.
ChristinaLapel@MissouriState.edu

ACADEMIC

PASCAL HAMON
Contact for English Language Institute questions.
PascalHamon@MissouriState.edu
RESOURCES

YI WU
Contact for questions about university communications.
YiWu@MissouriState.edu

JORGE I. REYES SAM
Contact for international student health insurance and finance questions.
JorgeSam@MissouriState.edu

DAEZIA SMITH
Contact for questions regarding Global Leaders and Mentors, volunteerism, leadership, and access to Missouri State resources, including mental and physical health.
DaeziaSmith@MissouriState.edu

DARREN E. YOUNG
Contact for TB tests, and other arrival vaccinations in addition to questions regarding US identification, on-campus employment, or Social Security numbers.
DarrenYoung@MissouriState.edu

JINZI FAN
Contact for community engagement opportunities.
JinziFan@MissouriState.edu