

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I apply to live at MRC?

To register your interest in applying, simply click on [REGISTER NOW](#). You will also apply through this portal and receive updates about the application period.

Do I have to be a student at Macquarie University?

Though most of our residents do attend MQU, you do not have to be. You just need to be studying at a tertiary institution – TAFE, private college, other university etc

What are the contract dates?

Contract dates and 2024 pricing are listed [HERE](#).

Can I apply to live at MRC if I am not 18 yet?

Unfortunately we are not able to allow anyone under 18 years of age to move into MRC. If you are 17 years old, but will turn 18 before or on the contract start dates then you can still apply.

What if I have not received my offer to university yet?

You are still able to and should apply. We keep aside a limited number of rooms for those who have not received an offer yet. If you are successful, you will receive a Provisional Offer and asked to pay \$170.00 to accept this offer. We will then hold a room for you.

If it happens that you accept this provisional offer but subsequently do not receive an offer to university then you will forfeit this payment. If you do choose to live at MRC then this payment will become part of your MRC Security Deposit.

How long does it take for an application to be processed?

Applications can take between 2-4 weeks to be processed.

Can my partner/and or friend and I book a room together?

No, all of our rooms are single occupancy only.

How much does it cost to stay at MRC?

It depends on the room type you are applying for. Please click [HERE](#) to see our pricing

What other costs are there?

There are other costs besides the weekly rental price, including a Security Deposit, Social and Community Fund contribution Association Fee and End of Lease Cleaning Fee. All these costs will be noted in the offer letter should your application be successful and are also available [here](#).

Do people usually get their Security Deposit back?

Yes, as long as there are no outstanding rental or other fees, or significant damage to the room caused by the resident for which repairs are required.

Do I have to pay the Social and Community Fund Contribution fee if I do not want to participate in the events?

Yes, you are required to pay the SA fee(s) regardless if attending events or not. We highly encourage residents to take time out from studying and get involved in MRC activities so as to get to know other residents. Forming friendships is very much a big part of student living and adds great value to the student life experience.

utilities included in my rent?

The rental fees include utilities such as water, electricity and internet.

How do I pay for my rental fees?

You can pay your accommodation fees in one of two ways:

1. Pay upfront for a term, semester or full year – via credit card or bank transfer
2. Pay by [Edstart](#). Conditions apply.

Can I get a refund if I move out of MRC before my contract finishes?

No. This is clearly outlined in the contract should you receive one. There are also other associated fees when breaking a contract.

If I take out a semester only contract and want to stay for another semester, do I have to re-apply?

Prior to the contract ending we ask residents if they would like to extend their contract. You do not need to re-apply again should you wish to extend your contract.

Can I move in earlier?

Sometimes, but there are specific dates when we can allow this to happen.

What do I need to bring with me?

If you are offered a room at MRC, you are to bring the following items:

- Bed linen such as long single sheets, pillow and case, doona or bedspread
- Towels
- Personal belongings
- Kitchen utensils

A more detailed list is provided closer to the time of arrival.

Do you offer free internet as part of the rent?

Internet is offered to all residents at MRC, both wireless and ethernet. Residents have use of the study area and library at MALC which provide internet too.

Do you have laundry facilities?

There are coin and card operated laundry machines and dryers on our ground level. Current prices per load are: 2x \$1.00 coins or \$2.30 if paying by card. Pricing is subject to change. Laundry detergent and sanitiser are to be supplied by the resident.

Where can I do printing?

We offer the use of a printer on level one, but also at the Ministry and Learning Centre (MALC building) opposite MRC. Instructions on how to use the printers are provided when checking into MRC. Printing costs are to be covered by the resident.

Where can I study besides in my room?

We have an array of study areas throughout MRC and in the MALC building including a designated study area and library. There are outdoor tables around the campus should you desire an outdoor option.

Can I store my things at MRC over the summer break (Dec-Jan)?

Yes we do offer this for a weekly cost.

Do you have car parking?

Parking at Morling College is limited however at this time there is availability. In some cases we ask that residents purchase a parking permit at MQU if studying there and MRC will refund the costs. In less busy seasons we are able to guarantee parking at Morling College for MRC residents but this is on a discretionary basis.

Are residents first year or postgraduate students?

We tend to have a mixture of first year, bachelor students and postgraduate students.

What is the average age of the residents?

We cater primarily for those aged 18-28 years of age, the current average age of our residents is 20 years old. We are not able to accept residents younger than 18 as we do not have the current systems in place to accommodate for those aged under 18.

Do you offer academic tutoring?

We do not offer academic tutoring however some residents offer their services to tutor on their own accord and at their own time.

How many people use the communal kitchens?

Most rooms at MRC contain their own kitchenette so those using the common kitchens will be limited. All residents who do not have a kitchenette in their room are able to use the common kitchens.

Can my partner/friend stay in my room overnight?

Your friends and family are welcome to visit MRC however guests are not able to stay overnight in your room unless they are booked into one of our casual rooms or units.

Do you offer casual rooms?

MRC have limited guest rooms and units for hire.

Can I smoke cigarettes, drink alcohol or take drugs at MRC?

No. MRC and the entire Morling Campus is a dry campus, therefore there is no smoking, no drinking or illicit drug taking allowed.