

# RATE YOUR APARTMENT



Off Campus Life recommends touring 5–6 properties in person before signing a lease. This self-rating system will help you record the answers to your questions and compare the important factors when making a decision on your next rental apartment or house.

**Apartment Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rating Check List: 1 = Doesn't Meet, 2 = Meets, 3 = Exceeds Expectations**

## COST

**RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Price per month \_\_\_\_\_
- Deposit cost
  - with guarantor \_\_\_\_\_
  - no guarantor \_\_\_\_\_
- Application fee \_\_\_\_\_
- Pet Deposit & monthly pet fee \_\_\_\_\_
- Sublease costs \_\_\_\_\_
- Parking costs \_\_\_\_\_
- Payment options: money order, check, credit card, online payment
- Are you required to have renters insurance?
- What is the cost per month for renters insurance? \_\_\_\_\_

## WHAT'S INCLUDED?

**RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Utilities (water, electric, wastewater, gas)
- Cable
- Internet
- Washer/dryer
- Furniture
- Parking

## LOCATION

**RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Distance to campus \_\_\_\_\_
- Convenient to shopping/work
- Proximity to RTS bus stop \_\_\_\_\_

## ACCESSIBILITY

**RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Elevators
- Wheelchair accessible
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

## AMENITIES

**RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Gym
- Pool
- Emergency Maintenance
- Garbage disposal
- Recycling
- Dishwasher
- Garage
- Concierge/valet garbage pick-up
- Fitness center
- Study area
- Clubhouse
- Wood floors
- Fireplace
- Can you have pets?
- Is there a weight, breed, or type of pet limit?
- Dog park
- Quiet hours

## LEASE

**RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Joint
- Individual
- All inclusive (rent includes utilities, cable, internet, furniture)
- Length of lease
- Beginning date:
- End Date:
- Sublease cost/requirements:
- Do you need a guarantor?

## NOTES:

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## TRANSPORTATION/PARKING

**RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Parking provided
- Cost for parking
- RTS bus service
- What routes & how often do they run
- Bus stop location
- City decal available/cost

## SAFETY/CRIME STATS

**RATING:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Property well maintained
- Deadbolts on entrance doors
- Peepholes on entrance doors
- Windows that lock
- Bedroom doors that lock
- Front doors visible from the parking lot or street
- Slide card or key fob locking system on exterior/hallway doors
- Fire extinguishers in apartment
- Working fire alarms
- Is there a sprinkler system
- Well maintained landscaping
- Good lighting at night
- Security Gate/Guard
- Checked crime stats [cityprotect.com](http://cityprotect.com)

**TOTAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

## FINAL STEPS

- Read the lease
- Bring lease to Student Legal Services to review [studentlegalservices.ufl.edu](http://studentlegalservices.ufl.edu)
- Get a copy of any signed leases or guarantor agreements
- Take your time and don't rush!