

UTCSSA 2016 Housing Group Lease Student Understanding

UTCSSA's goal is to provide superior volunteer service and give the warmest welcome to incoming UT new students and scholars. UTCSSA has been partnering with Agent Realty broker Sam Wong since 2005 to provide professional housing assistance to our members. We brought convenience and saving to students through this GroupLease program.

I. This year's Apartment Recommendation

- University Estate (UE, recommended for basic 4/4 \$485, 3/3 \$510, 2/2 \$575)

<http://www.universitystatesataustin.com/>

On UT shuttle route, 3 blocks to grocery store, water / trash / cable / internet included, furnished, electricity billed at month end for actual usage, free parking. Mandatory renters insurance.

Email grouplease@gmail.com to request link to online application, this understanding letter p.3, I-20 & passport copy Sign lease contract through online docu-sign (will be provided within 1 week after application approval). one month deposit paid at move in.

Note: Apartment unit # will be released by early June. A group # will be given when all 4 roommates are identified. Units are assigned by the order of groups (meaning if you are group 1, you get to pick first). Rooms within the apartment unit are decided between roommates. 100 units at UE are guaranteed to be ready for 8.16 early move in. Additional rooms can be booked but may not have the guaranteed early move in date.

Additional Sam Wong recommended GroupLease includes the following apartments, please email GroupLease@gmail.com to inquire details & application package.

Riverside Area

- BallPark South, on UT shuttle route, furnished. <http://www.theballparkaustin.com>

Walk to Campus

- Axis West Campus. West Campus Area, furnished <http://www.axiswestcampus.com/>

- Avenue & La Feista. North Campus Area, non-furnished

- The G South Campus Area, furnished, <http://theGaustin.com>

Far West Area (recommended for families with school age children for its great public schools):

NOTE: All Far West Apartments are NOT furnished. You sign lease as a whole, NOT by the room.

- Acacia Cliff <http://www.pricerealtycorp.com/properties/acacia-cliffs>

II. Locator Sam Wong's Responsibility

To bring UTCSSA student members professional service and best value in housing.

To research current market and give recommendation of apartment options base on its value/cost.

To negotiate group lease with apartments.

To sign pre-lease agreement with an apartment to ensure price and availability.

To accompany student at 1st visit to the apartment.

Note: Sam as an apartment locator is paid by apartments, not UTCSSA, not students.

Sam Wong is a sponsor of various UTCSSA activities.

III. Students' Responsibility

To decide on apartment / roommate.

To complete the application / lease signing / pay deposit process to secure apartment.

To notify UTCSSA volunteer of arrival time as soon as possible to allow time to arrange airport pick

up and move in.

To understand that a lease contract, signed (in paper or online), with or without deposit, is a legally binding contract.

To arrange own temporary housing before confirmed apartment move in time.

IV. UTCSSA's Responsibility

UTCSSA is a volunteer organization, a mediator between broker Sam Wong and students participating in group lease.

UTCSSA serves as a coordinator and information provider but does not have any contract authority for students pre-lease.

Students are encouraged to contact Sam Wong directly if they have special housing needs. A customized housing arrangement such as other Far West or Campus Area apartment can be arranged when needed.

Students are encouraged to research before making own decision on housing choice, including reviewing information on UTCSSA website regarding various housing choices, asking UTCSSA volunteer and other students for their housing experience, etc.

V. The effectiveness of this acknowledgement

Students who choose to take advantage of this group lease shall sign and return the p.3 of this letter along with the lease application package as an acknowledge of understanding the group lease procedure.

Group Lease Understanding Letter Acknowledgement: (please fill out this page and return with your passport, i20 to GroupLease@gmail.com

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Email: _____ China Phone # _____

Contact Person/Phone # in US if any: _____

Possible arrive date (Texas time) and flight: _____

Housing Choice: Apartment _____ Floor plan _____ Price _____

Roommates (lease blank if no roommate yet):

Name _____ Email _____

Name _____ Email _____

Name _____ Email _____

Contact info (please call during office hours only):

GroupLease Project Contact:

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