

FINANCIAL AID & HOUSING OFFICE

INFORMATION
SHEET

Steps to Finding Off-Campus Accommodation

The following steps are a guide to where to look to find off campus accommodation:

- 1. The Housing Office maintains an online database of available off campus accommodation. For instructions on how to register visit the Housing Office website which is accessible through the Student Support website (http://www.studentservices.uwa.edu.au/)
- 2. *The West Australian newspaper* on Saturday and Wednesday has a To Let section in the Real Estate section. Their website is: http://www.thewest.com.au
- 3. The Quokka is an advertising paper published on Thursdays. Their website is: www.quokka.com.au
- 4. Local papers can be an excellent source of information on rental properties. *The Post* published weekly, covers the areas of Nedlands, Claremont and Subiaco. The Community newspaper *The Southern Gazette* covers the areas of South Perth and Como. Both papers are free and normally available in cafes and real estate offices etc.
- 5. Local Real Estate Agents have details of available rental properties. A <u>list</u> of these agents is available on the Housing website.
- 6. There are some excellent external websites to visit when looking for rental accommodation. Two of these are www.reiwa.com and www.realestate.com.au
- 7. The Housing website has <u>links</u> to other accommodation services.
- 8. You should check noticeboards around the University campus to see if anyone has listed details of a room or property to let.

We recommend that you read our information sheet 'Viewing Accommodation - Things to Consider' (FH.034.2010) in this pack before you commence your search for accommodation.

What Next?

Think about where you want to live. Remember, the closer to the University the higher the rent is likely to be.

The information overleaf gives you a general idea of the suburbs closest to UWA. The transport links around Perth are very good, so check out locations with good access to public transport.

It is a good idea to write down a number of questions you wish to ask about the property, once you find an advert that interests you. Try to focus on what are the key issues which will determine whether the property will meet your requirements. Have the list of questions with you when you telephone the accommodation provider. You can use our information sheet Accommodation Viewing Checklist (FH.035.2010) which has a list of standard questions to ask.

PERTH SUBURBS

The main campus of UWA is located in the suburb of <u>Crawley</u>. The next closest suburbs to campus are Nedlands, Claremont, Dalkeith, Shenton Park, Subiaco and Daglish, all of which are approx within a 5-kilometre radius of the campus.

Some students find it convenient to live south of the river in suburbs such as South Perth, Como and East Victoria Park. Many students who reside in these areas choose to cycle to campus via the dedicated cycle ways that border the Swan River. There are also good bus services to and from UWA from many areas. Visit the Department for Planning and Infrastructure TravelSmart website for more information about travelling to and from University by foot, cycle or public transport.

http://www.transport.wa.gov.au

Other suburbs surrounding UWA are below. These are all within the highlighted section on the suburb map in this guide. *Distances are approximate*:

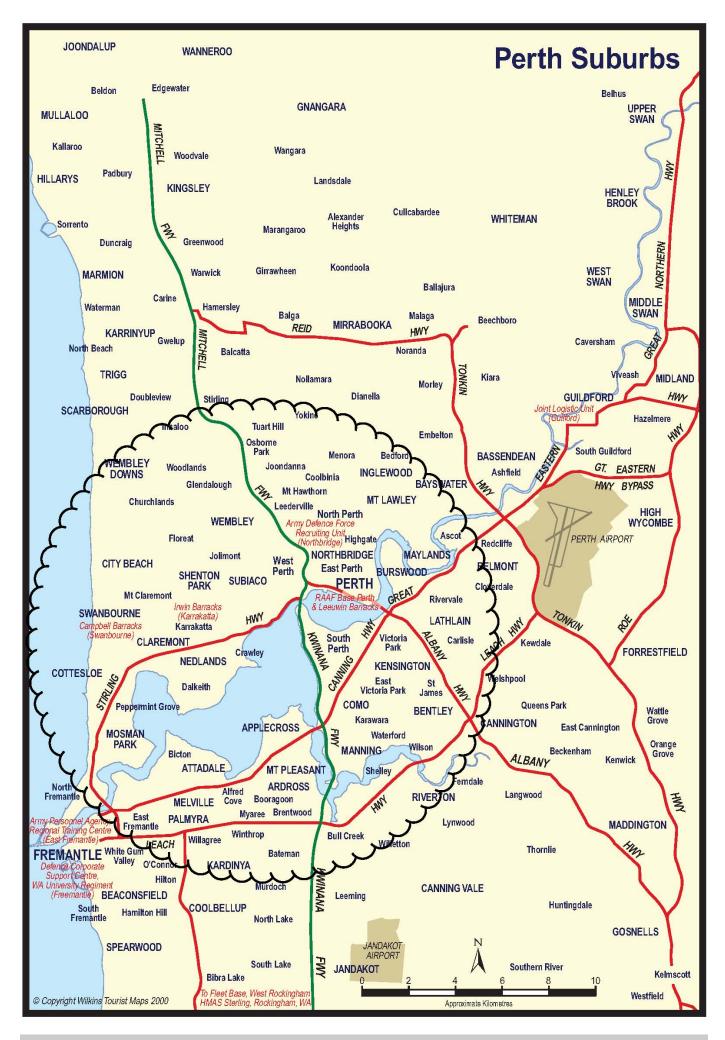
With the train lines running between Perth and Armadale, Midland, Joondalup, Fremantle and Mandurah, accommodation doesn't have to be on the doorstep of UWA if you live near a train station.

http://maps.google.com.au and http://www.whereis.com.au are good sites to help you find out how to get from one place to another, but we recommend that you purchase a Perth street directory to help you find your way around.

Suburb	Distance to UWA*	Suburb	Distance to UWA*
City Beach	11.6 km	Mosman Park	8.0 km
Cottesloe	6.4 km	Mt Claremont	5.8 km
Claremont	4.1 km	Mt Lawley	10.3 km
Como	10.9 km	Mt Hawthorn North	12.5 km
Crawley	0.0 km	Perth	9.1 km
Daglish	4.7 km	Peppermint Grove	6.3 km
Dalkeith	2.8 km	Shenton Park	3.9 km
East Perth	7.4 km	South Perth	9.0 km
Floreat	8.3 km	Subiaco	4.3 km
Nedlands	1.1 km	Swanbourne	5.3 km
Jolimont	5.5 km	Victoria Park	10.0 km
Karrakatta	3.5 km	Wembley	6.8 km
Kensington	11.6 km	West Perth	5.8 km
Leederville	9.1 km		

^{*}approximate distances

Page 3 shows an area map of Perth and surrounding suburbs. Those suburbs within the marked area are within approximately 15km of UWA.



Where to find us:

UWA Student Support Services Level 1, Student Central

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Please do not hesitate to come and see us to find out more about any of our services

To make an appointment please call 08 6488 2423 / 6488 3547 / 6488 5573 email: housing-studserv@uwa.edu.au

Visit our website at: www.studentservices.uwa.edu.au

Got a Question? Find the Answer online .@ www.ask.uwa.edu.au

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