Student Family Housing

Hundreds of graduate and undergraduate families reside in on-campus family housing. Family housing is available within the Graduate Tower at Site 4, a high-rise apartment building in the heart of Kendall Square, and Westgate Apartments, which consists of a high-rise building and several garden-style buildings in the west part of campus. Each community has an active student government that plans and facilitates social and cultural events for the entire family. Apartments with up to 2 bedrooms are available in these buildings.

Residence in student family housing is limited to regular undergraduate and graduate students who are registered and attending MIT (on-campus) full time, and whose families reside together on a full-time basis, and to single parents with at least one child in residence. Except during the summer, students must be registered each term in order to reside in on-campus student housing. New graduate student assignments are for one year with the option to renew a second year, and a new license agreement is signed each year. Married undergraduates or undergraduates with children may live in family housing during their eight semesters of guaranteed housing. Returning students at the end of their renewable license period will have opportunities to obtain continuing status to remain living on campus. More information can be found on the Housing & Residential Services website.

The Graduate Tower at Site 4 and Westgate Apartments each have a faculty member or MIT staff person in residence to provide active support to the community. Each building has a playground and school bus stops.

The rent for all family residences is charged on a monthly basis and the licenses are from the date of occupancy until July 31 each year. Termination policies for family housing can be found on the Housing & Residential Services website. All rents include heat, hot water, electricity, and internet. Building amenities include low-cost laundry, playrooms, barbecues, and other common spaces.

Family housing rates for the 2020–2021 academic year ranges from $1,578 to $3,250 per month, per apartment. Details about each of the residences can be found on the graduate and family housing website.

Student family housing is managed by Housing & Residential Services and is assigned through an allocation process. Students can apply for the fall housing allocation in between March and the end of April. Students can apply for the spring housing allocation process in November. Rooms that become available outside of the designated allocation periods are made available through a waiting list that runs from June through October and December through April. Details on how to get housing are available on the website.

Housing & Residential Services is located in W59-200 and can be reached at 617-253-5148 or via email (graduatehousing@mit.edu).