

University Services

Residence Halls

As a residential college, the Residence Life Program at Central Methodist University is central to student life on campus. The halls are safe, comfortable living environments that cultivate human interaction and personal growth. The Office of Student Development manages the Residence Life Program.

Each of the five campus residence halls offers a unique living environment. Howard-Payne and McMurry Halls are co-ed. Holt Hall houses women, and Burford and Woodward Halls house men. Residence halls are staffed by a professional residence hall director (RHD), graduate resident assistants (GA), and a student resident assistant (RA) staff. They are responsible for developing and planning programs that enhance and expand individual skills and knowledge. A housekeeping staff services the common areas. All CMU residence halls are equipped with coin-operated washers and dryers, vending machines with cold drinks and snacks, as well as cable TV in the lobby areas. Students receive cable television access (for their own TV), telephone service access (plug in their own phone), and Internet access service (for their own pc) to their room at no additional charge. There are also wireless network access zones on campus.

All students receiving institutional financial aid are required to live on campus unless, before the first day of classes, they are [1] married, [2] the custodial parent of a minor child living with them, [3] over 21 years of age, [4] in their fifth year of college, or, [5] living with a parent in the parent's primary residence within 35 miles of Fayette. However, all international students must live on campus for their first academic year if they are arriving directly from another country.

Dining Facilities

Bergsten Dining Hall serves all resident students and is located on the third floor (plaza level) of the Student and Community Center (SACC). Students living in the residence halls are required to have a meal plan. Details and options may be obtained from the Business Office. Students who do not reside in the residence halls, faculty, and staff may purchase meals in the dining hall and are encouraged to do so. The Eyrie Cafe is located next to the dining hall and houses a snack bar along with game tables, computers, and a large screen television.

Health Services

Before students matriculate at Central Methodist University they must provide statements concerning their health and list any physical limitations. Health forms are provided by the University. All resident students must provide proof of health insurance each semester. Limited health services are available in the Student Health Clinic located on the second floor of the Student and Community Center. It is staffed by a nurse practitioner.

immunization**Immunization Policy of Central Methodist University:** All students enrolled at Central Methodist University for the first time must have documented proof of measles immunity, a recent tetanus/diphtheria booster, and a questionnaire screening for tuberculosis. This documentation is required prior to class attendance. All college students are strongly urged to receive the hepatitis B vaccine, especially high-risk students.

Center for Learning and Teaching

The Center for Learning and Teaching encourages students to study together as a learning community and provides all students of Central Methodist University with resources to support them in their academic courses. These services include departmental tutors when they are available; professional tutoring in writing, mathematics, and study skills; access to computers so that students may use software provided with some of their textbooks and word processing software; other academic support resources such as books on tape; and special services for students with diagnosed learning disabilities when those services are deemed reasonable by the faculty and the University

James C. Denny, Jr., Career Development Center

The comprehensive Career Development Center empowers students to develop the 'tools' needed to successfully transition from campus life to a professional career. A trained professional staff provides assessments, career resources, resume and job search assistance, mock interviews and individual counseling to assist students with career exploration and the skills necessary to accomplish their career goals.

Through state of the art on-line resources and a web-based recruiting system, the Center allows students to search for part-time/summer jobs, internships, full-time positions and graduate/professional schools. The Center sponsors an annual Career EXPO with 50 to 80 organizations represented, as well as on-campus employer informational sessions and interviews.

A variety of workshops and events from applying to graduate school to a professional etiquette dinner to Reality 101 are provided to prepare students for their future endeavors. Events and opportunities are promoted through e-mails, newsletters, and classroom presentations.

The Career Development Center is located on the 2nd floor of the Student and Community Center. For more information about our services, please [visit the Career Center website](#), e-mail career@centralmethodist.edu, or call 660-248-6255.

Intercollegiate Athletic Eligibility

Central Methodist University provides an extensive program of intercollegiate athletics, competing in football, baseball, softball, basketball, track, cross country, soccer, golf, and volleyball. University identification cards are required for admission to intercollegiate events. The University is a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and the Heart of America Athletic Conference. The Director of Athletics administers the intercollegiate athletic program.

To represent the University in intercollegiate competition, a student must meet NAIA eligibility requirements, which are specified on the [NAIA website](#). Student-athletes involved in intercollegiate athletics are expected to know and understand these eligibility requirements.

The University does not assume any responsibility for any injuries that may be received in any athletic event or activity. Although Central Methodist University provides secondary insurance coverage on each athlete, each student is expected to provide for his or her medical insurance needs.

The Puckett Field House, the Philips Recreation Center, and the athletic fields are available for intramural sports, physical education classes and intercollegiate athletic contests.