



# FAQ's from Transfer Students

**To help make your transfer to SMU smoother, here are some frequently asked questions by transfer students from previous years.**

## **Can I get to campus via rail or bus?**

Here's a real bargain! For a one-time \$5 fee, you can get a transit pass to ride DART, TRE rail and T buses free while you are an SMU student. For more information, visit [smu.edu/BusinessFinance/CampusServices/ParkingAndIDcardServices](http://smu.edu/BusinessFinance/CampusServices/ParkingAndIDcardServices).

## **Can I rent a bike to use on campus?**

Yes. Check out the BIKE LEASE PROJECT at: [smu.edu/recsports/adventure/rental/bikelease.asp](http://smu.edu/recsports/adventure/rental/bikelease.asp). Lease a single speed bike for \$20 a semester.

## **Are there apartments on campus?**

Student apartments on campus are arranged through the office of Residence Life and Student Housing. These are in high demand, with a twice-a-year lottery to get on the waiting list for a vacancy. Go to: [smu.edu/apartments/](http://smu.edu/apartments/) for more information.

## **What about non-SMU apartments near campus?**

There are many. Housing options can be found at: [smu.edu/transfer/housingoptions.asp](http://smu.edu/transfer/housingoptions.asp).

Other resources:

- Check the classified ads in the campus newspaper, *The Daily Campus*, for rentals. The online version is at: [smudailycampus.com/](http://smudailycampus.com/).
- Check the yellow pages in the SMU Directory for nearby apartment complexes, many with special rates and offers for SMU students.

Students who live in nearby off-campus apartments can take the free SMU bus, the Mustang Express, from nearby neighborhoods. See [smu.edu/parknpony/mustangexpress.asp](http://smu.edu/parknpony/mustangexpress.asp) for a map of the route, which runs as far away as Amesbury and Southwestern Boulevards.

## **What resources are available for commuter students?**

Commuting to SMU is made easier because of several resources available to off-campus students. For a list of

commuter student tips, please go to [smu.edu/transfer/commute.asp](http://smu.edu/transfer/commute.asp).

## **What if I need medical care?**

There is no charge to see a nurse or doctor at SMU's Memorial Health Center -- another bargain. You are charged only if you need tests, an X-ray, or a prescription. Go to: [smu.edu/healthcenter/](http://smu.edu/healthcenter/) for hours, services, and specialists.

## **How do I find an on-campus job, an internship, or a summer job?**

Go to: [smu.edu/financial\\_aid/studentemployment.asp](http://smu.edu/financial_aid/studentemployment.asp) for general info. Then head to the Hegi Family Career Center's MustangTrak system to register and find summer jobs, internships, and on-campus employment: [myinterfase.com/smu/student/](http://myinterfase.com/smu/student/). Hegi's other free services can help you choose a major, write a resume, or prepare for an interview. Visit the Center near the main entry to Hughes-Trigg Student Center, call (214) 768-2266, or check [smu.edu/career/](http://smu.edu/career/) for details.

## **What about the SMU library?**

There are actually ten of them! See [smu.edu/cul/](http://smu.edu/cul/) for info on locations, hours, services, and research resources. Each library has a different atmosphere. Fondren Library, open 24/7, offers many study areas and private rooms you can reserve. Make an appointment with a librarian there for a tour or for help with research.

## **Where can I work out?**

Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports offers everything from workout equipment to a pool to a climbing wall. You can take yoga or spinning classes, join a club sport, or find an intramural team. There is no charge for students, and a minimal charge for your family members. Check [smu.edu/recsports/dedman/index.html](http://smu.edu/recsports/dedman/index.html).

## **What other resources should I know about?**

- **Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS):** Free, confidential counseling by psychologists and psychiatrists; located on the 2nd floor of the Health Center, (214) 768-2277, and at [smu.edu/healthcenter/counseling/](http://smu.edu/healthcenter/counseling/).
- **Office of the Chaplain and**

**Religious Life:** Offers support and organizations for many faiths; located at 316 Hughes-Trigg, (214) 768-4502, and at [smu.edu/chaplain/](http://smu.edu/chaplain/).

- **Women's Center:** Home of the Women's Interest Network, Women's Symposium, Allies, Spectrum, YWCA@SMU, Women in Science and Engineering (WISE); located at 313 Hughes-Trigg, (214) 768-4792, and at [smu.edu/womenscenter/](http://smu.edu/womenscenter/).

- **Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center (LEC):** Free drop-in tutoring, learning strategy workshops, ORACLE, and academic counseling; located at 202 Loyd Center, (214) 768-3648, and at [smu.edu/alec/](http://smu.edu/alec/).

- **Writing Center at the LEC:** Help from English faculty with any paper for any course; located at 202 Loyd Center or call (214) 768-3648 for an appointment.

- **DASS (Disability Accommodations and Success Strategies):** Assists students with disabilities and diagnosed learning differences at the LEC; located at 202 Loyd Center, (214) 768-1470, and at [smu.edu/alec/dass.asp](http://smu.edu/alec/dass.asp).

- **The Foreign Language Teaching Technology Center:** Improve language skills; located at 234 Clements Hall, (214) 768-2218, and at [smu.edu/Dedman/Academics/Departments/WorldLanguages/WLLTechCenter](http://smu.edu/Dedman/Academics/Departments/WorldLanguages/WLLTechCenter).

- **International Student & Scholar Services:** Helps students from other countries; located at Blanton Building, Suite 216, [smu.edu/international/iss](http://smu.edu/international/iss).

- **Study Abroad:** Information about studying in another country is found at [smu.edu/studyabroad/](http://smu.edu/studyabroad/).

- **SMU-in-Taos:** Offers summer courses at Fort Burgwin in Taos, New Mexico; located in Blanton Room 338, (214) 768-3657, and at [smu.edu/taos/](http://smu.edu/taos/).

## **Is there a transfer organization at SMU?**

The Mustang Transfers offers fellowship and programs for transfer students. If you are interested in becoming a member, contact Nancy Skochdopole at [nskoch@smu.edu](mailto:nskoch@smu.edu).

For more transfer information, please go to [smu.edu/transfer](http://smu.edu/transfer) or call 214-768-3417.