



SMU-IN-TAOS

Arrival and Departure Dates

Summer 2017

MAY

Arrival: Wednesday, May 17, 2-6pm

Departure: Saturday, June 3, 10am

JUNE

Arrival: Tuesday, June 6, 2-6pm

Departure: Saturday, July 1, 10am

AUGUST

Arrival: Wednesday, August 2, 2-6pm

Departure: Saturday, August 19, 10am

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Things to Know

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About SMU-in-Taos

Since 1973, Fort Burgwin has been an educational center of Southern Methodist University. Our beautiful setting in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains -surrounded by the Carson National Forest -provides a unique backdrop for the enrichment of body, mind and spirit.

Our unique campus provides SMU undergraduates with an amazing living and learning experience. You will take classes with exceptional faculty members and be cared for by the friendly SMU-in-Taos staff.

Our class format allows you and your classmates to delve deeply into the subject matter of your choice. Small class sizes, field trips and engaging faculty motivate you to develop a deeper understanding of your field of study through a highly personalized learning experience.

SMU-in-Taos embraces a hands-on approach to learning. Our courses offer regular class excursions into the town of Taos and surrounding areas. These field trips will expose you to real-life experiences outside the classroom and introduce you to the rich culture and history of Northern New Mexico.

What Should I Pack?

Athletic clothing
Athletic equipment
Backpack
Band-Aids
Bug repellent w/ DEET
Camp chair(s)
Clothing
Coat / hoodie
Computer / tablet
Electronic chargers
Flashlight / headlamp*
Fleece
Hat
Hiking boots / Tennis shoes



Jacket
Laundry detergent
Linens (TXL), pillow & towels
Medication
Notebooks & pens
Rain jacket
School supplies
Shampoo, conditioner, soap
Socks
Sunglasses & sunscreen
Swimsuit
Textbooks
Toiletries
Watch

Optional Items

Feel free to bring your own mountain bike and/or outdoor equipment. If you are interested in renting camping equipment for your stay in Taos, the Outdoor Adventure Office in Dallas rents equipment at affordable prices.

We encourage you to pack the following optional items:

Camping equipment
Mountain Bike
Tennis racket
Water shoes
Golf clubs

What NOT to bring:

SMU-in-Taos Campus Policy and Code of Conduct is the same as on the Dallas campus. Students who fail to comply with Campus Policy are subject to fines and may be referred to the Office of the Dean of Student Life.

The following items are NOT permitted at SMU-in-Taos:

Fireworks
Dirt bikes
ATV's/Four-wheelers
Pets
Weapons (including guns & knives)
Alcohol
Drugs



Things to keep in mind when packing:

Textbooks & Assignments

Buy all textbooks at the SMU Bookstore or elsewhere *prior* to traveling to Taos and pack them. Bring them with you on the first day of class. Be sure to complete all pre-course readings and assignments.

Climate

Prepare to dress in light layers that you can easily put on and take off. Taos has a semi-arid mountain climate. Even when summer days get hot (85°F), mornings and nights can be pleasantly cool (50°F). You should be prepared for hot, dry afternoons as well as occasional cool rain showers and mud.

Altitude

Bring a durable water bottle and refill it often! Taos is situated at approximately 7,000 feet above sea level. Help your body adjust to the altitude by drinking lots of water throughout the day. This is especially important since you will spend much of your time outdoors, hiking at high elevations.

Specialty Items

Taos has a Wal-Mart and Walgreens, but don't expect to find specialty items in town. If you are particular about certain brand-name products, or regularly require specific items such as prescription medications, bring enough for the duration of your stay.

Money

There are no large banking institutions in Taos, only small, regional banks. Opt for "cash back" at local grocery stores or visit an ATM.

Transportation

Our campus is located 7 miles outside of town and public transportation is very limited. Students who want the flexibility of having a car on campus are encouraged to drive to Taos. Students who choose to fly will have the opportunity to visit town during class field trips or RA-led social events.

Where Will I Be Staying?

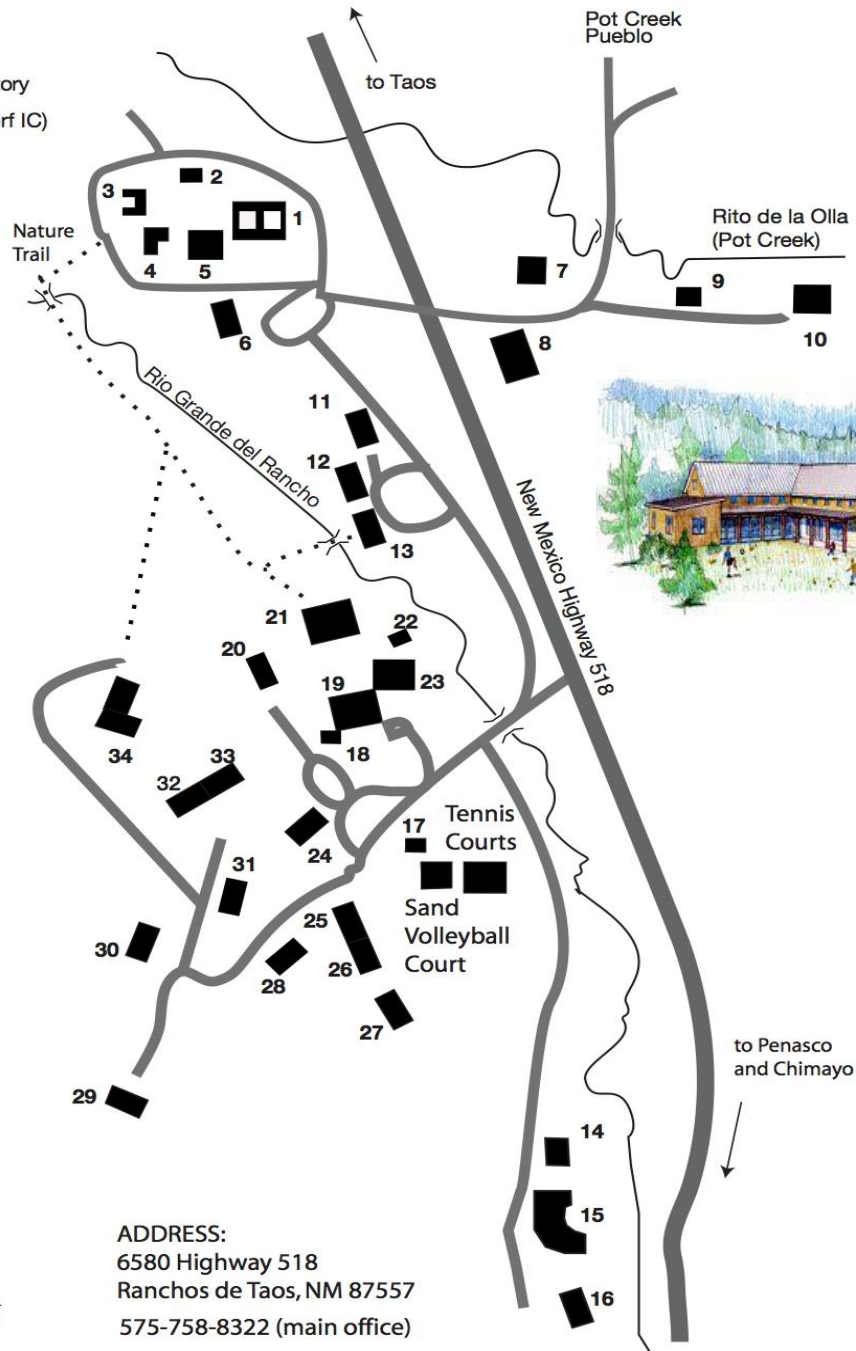


SMU-in-Taos features the striking adobe-style architecture for which New Mexico is known and beautiful mountain scenery. The campus is comprised of thirty-two structures, including dormitories (casitas) which house a total of 108 students. Each casita has a sleeping area (either group or semi-private) with bunk beds and a closet and/or drawers for every student. The casitas also include bath and shower facilities and a large common area with a wood-burning fireplace and room to study. Linens are not provided during the summer terms.

Campus facilities consist of historic Fort Burgwin, classrooms, the new Miller Campus Center, residential "casitas," a dining hall, a library, a chapel, outdoor gathering spaces, meeting and conference areas, recreational facilities, hiking trails and a beautiful mountain stream. The Wendorf Information Commons houses the library and student computer lab. An archaeology lab, studio facilities, auditorium, and Art Barn support the academic life of the campus.

SMU-IN-TAOS Fort Burgwin Campus

- 1 Fort Building, Main Office, Classrooms 100-123
- 2 Commander's Quarters
- 3 Officer's Quarters Apts 1 - 5
- 4 Archaeology Lab and Artifact Repository
- 5 Library and Computer Lab (Wendorf IC)
- 6 Caretaker's Quarters and Shop
- 7 Chalet (Faculty Housing)
- 8 Art Barn
- 9 Archaeology Camping Area
- 10 Wendorf Residence
- 11 Faculty Casita 3A & 3B
- 12 Faculty Casita 2A & 2B
- 13 Faculty Casita 1A & 1B
- 14 Clements Guest House
- 15 Clements Conference Center
- 16 Heroy House
- 17 Pumphouse
- 18 Laundry Facility
- 19 Dining Hall and Seminar Rm 2
- 20 Seminar Rm 2
- 21 O'Donnell Auditorium
- 22 Chapel at Fort Burgwin
- 23 Miller Campus Center
- 24 Casita Thetford
- 25 Casita Ware
- 26 Casita Harvey
- 27 Casita Armstrong
- 28 Casita Montana
- 29 Casita Alta
- 30 Casita Arbolita
- 31 Casita Media
- 32 Casita Ultima West
- 33 Casita Ultima East
- 34 Casita Clements



ADDRESS:
6580 Highway 518
Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557
575-758-8322 (main office)

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Should I Drive or Fly?

Driving

The Map and Driving Directions on the **next page** provide directions from Dallas to Taos. Please make sure to check for current road conditions and construction.

Our campus is 670 miles from Dallas. Once you pass Mile Marker 66 on HWY 518, follow these directions to check in.

NM Road Advisory 511 or 1-800-432-4269

Things to keep in mind if driving:

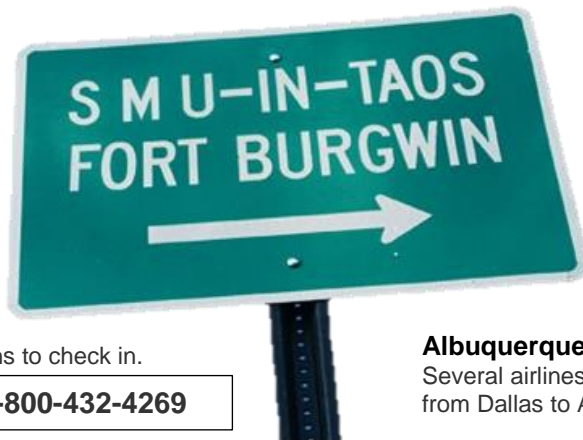
- Pay particular attention to the speed limits in the towns between Amarillo and the New Mexico border.
- Students bringing cars should expect to drive under winter conditions and inclement weather.
- Use of handheld cellular devices is prohibited in New Mexico

Directions to Check-in (2pm-6pm)

1. Arriving from Dallas on NM 518, the SMU-in-Taos campus is on the **LEFT, marked with low adobe walls.**
2. There are two gates. The first gate will be closed. Proceed to the second (main) entrance.
3. Bear left as you enter campus (the Fort Burgwin Office building will be on the right)
4. Veer left at the fork in the gravel road and proceed to the **Dining Hall** for check-in.
5. Continue on the gravel road. Cross the small wooden bridge, and proceed up a short hill.
6. Near the top of the hill, take the second right. The large adobe structure to the right is the Dining Hall, where check-in is held.

Should you have car trouble or need assistance:

Campus Security 575-317-9434
Dining Hall 575-758-7180
NM Road Advisory 511 or 1-800-432-4269



Flying

Students have the option of flying into Albuquerque or Santa Fe and taking a shuttle to Taos. There are no direct flights to Taos. We do not recommend booking a flight until you have received an official acceptance email confirming your enrollment in SMU-in-Taos through *my.SMU*

Albuquerque (3 hours from Taos)

Several airlines, including Southwest, have non-stop daily flights from Dallas to Albuquerque.

Santa Fe (2 hours from Taos)

American Airline's American Eagle service is the only airline with non-stop daily flights from Dallas to Santa Fe.

Things to keep in mind if flying:

We suggest that you verify the shuttle service *before* making your airline reservations. Flight plans should be arranged to coincide with shuttle pick-up times.

Taos Ski Valley Airport Shuttle (575-776-2291 x2384)

provides one-way and round-trip shuttle service from both ABQ and SAF airport directly to the SMU-in-Taos campus. **24 Hours Line:** 800-776-1111. **Email:** shuttle@skitaos.com.

Taos Express Weekend Shuttle offers Fri-Sat-Sun bus service from Santa Fe Depot to Taos Plaza. Reservations are required. Call **575-751-4459** or reserve online www.taosexpress.com

Campus Physical & Mailing Address:

SMU-in-Taos Fort Burgwin
6580 Highway 518
Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557

How do I get to Fort Burgwin from the Taos Plaza?

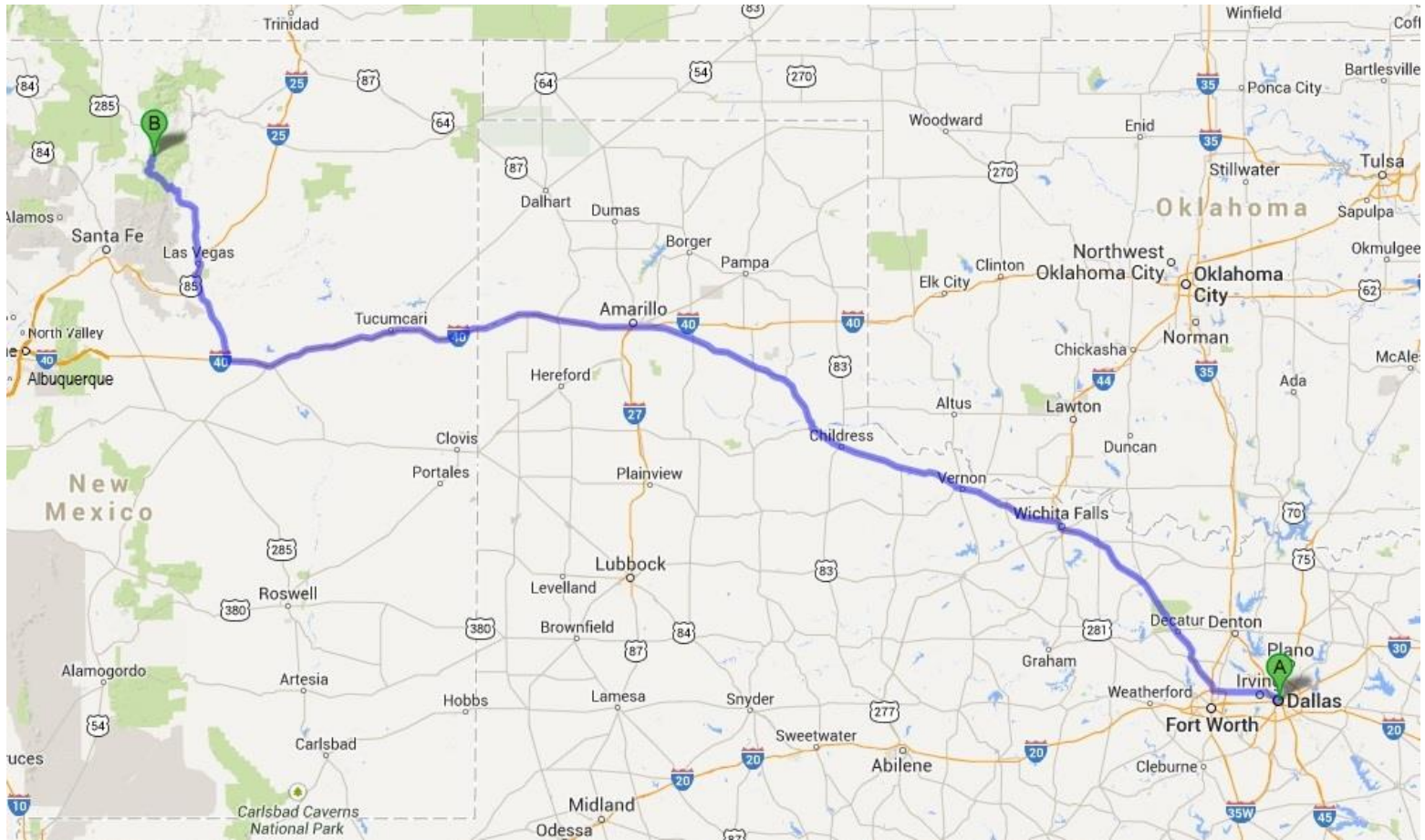
1. Travel south on Paseo del Pueblo Sur through town toward Ranchos de Taos
2. Turn left onto New Mexico Highway 518 (across from the Shel
3. Drive through Talpa on 518 and enter the Carson National Fo
4. Pass Pot Creek (on left), and look for the green "Fort Burgwin" Sign (on right) after Mile Marker 67
5. The fort entrance is on the RIGHT, marked with low adobe wa



Students may ship packages clearly labeled "ATTN: Student Name" to campus in advance. Mail can be picked up at the Dining Hall or Main Office.

Students are responsible for scheduling return shipping pick-up and payment. Packages may not be left unattended. There are no overnight deliveries to Taos.

How Do I Get to Taos?



SMU Blvd Dallas, TX to Fort Burgwin SMU-in-Taos, NM (11 hrs/670 miles)

1. Head southwest on Exit 3 toward **N Central Expy**
2. Merge onto **N Central Expy**
3. Take the ramp on the left onto **US-75 S**
4. Take **exit 1A** toward **I-35E S/Waco**
5. Keep left at the fork, follow signs for **St. Paul Street** and merge onto **TX-366 Spur W**
6. Take the exit onto **I-35E N** toward **Denton**
7. Keep left to continue on **TX-183 W**, follow signs for **Texas 183/Texas 114/Irving/DFW Airport**
8. Keep left to stay on **TX-183 W**, follow signs for **Ft Worth/DFW South Entry**
9. Take the exit onto **I-820 W**
10. Take **exit 16A** to merge onto **I-35W N/U.S. 287 N** toward **Denton**
11. Take **exit 60** to merge onto **U.S. 287 N/US-81 N** toward **Decatur** Continue to follow **U.S. 287 N**
12. Continue onto **I-44 E/U.S. 287 N**
13. Take **exit 3A** on the left toward **US-287 N/Vernon/Amarillo**
14. Merge onto **U.S. 287 N**
15. Take the ramp onto **I-40 W/U.S. 287 N** Continue to follow **I-40 W** Entering New Mexico
16. Take **exit 256** for **US-84 N** toward **Las Vegas**
17. Turn right onto **US-84 W**
18. Turn right to merge onto **I-25 N**
19. Take **exit 345** for **New Mexico 65/New Mexico 104** toward **Interstate 25/University Avenue**
20. Turn left onto **E University**
21. Turn right onto **Grand Ave**
22. Turn left onto **Mills Ave**
23. Turn right onto **NM-518 N/7th St** Continue to follow **NM-518 N**
24. Turn left onto **6580 Highway 518, Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557**

Depart **6:00am CST**

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0.4 mi
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2.5 mi
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105 mi
2.4 mi
0.7 mi
211 mi
195 mi
0.2 mi
41.5 mi
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66.2 mi

Arrive **4:00pm MST**

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Arrival/First Day of Class:** The first two days of each term are as follows.

Arrival Day

2pm-6pm	Check in at the Dining Hall. <i>Housing will not be available prior to 2pm.</i>
5pm	Dinner is served.
6pm	Mandatory Orientation begins. <i>All students and faculty should attend orientation.</i>
7pm	Course Break-Out Sessions. <i>Each professor will meet with his/her class for a brief introduction to distribute syllabi and specify class meeting times & locations. All students must be present.</i>

First Class Day

8 or 9am	3-Credit course meetings begin. <i>Faculty will announce their class start time at Orientation.</i>
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2. **Last Day of Class/Departure:** The last two days of each term are as follows.

Last Day of Instruction/Exams

Times Vary Many classes end at noon, but may run as late as 4pm. Students should verify the class end time with their faculty member. This is the last full day of classes and includes final exams. Students are free to depart campus after the conclusion of their exams, but are welcome to stay an additional night, until departure day.

Departure Day

10 am	All students must be checked out of their lodging by 10am .
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3. **When do classes meet?**

May & August	Mon-Fri	Each 3-credit course meets for 4 hours per day, typically before lunch. <i>(With the exception of all-day class trips)</i>
June	Mon-Fri	Each 3-credit course meets for 2.5 hours per day, either in the AM or PM <i>(Class schedule is arranged by Executive Director in consultation with instructors)</i>
PRW 2135	Sat-Sun	All day <i>(PRW classes meet on the weekends + some evenings)</i>
KNW 2199	Varies	KNW 2199 will meet on three weekdays: two afternoons and one full day. These dates are scheduled in collaboration with 3-credit course schedules.

4. **When are meals served?** Students enjoy three hot meals a day, plus unlimited access to snacks and beverages.

BREAKFAST	Mon-Fri	7:30am – 9am	Sat-Sun	7:30am – 10:30am
LUNCH	Mon-Fri	11:30am – 1pm	Sat-Sun	10:30am – 1pm
DINNER	Mon-Sun	5pm – 6:30pm <i>(Dinner will end at 6pm on Colloquium Tuesdays and Cook-Out Sundays).</i>		

Summer Cook-Outs are held every Sunday in front of the Dining Hall. The Cook-Out is staffed by faculty and students. Our summer Colloquium Lecture Series is held in the Dining Hall on Tuesdays from **7pm-9pm**. Faculty and students are invited to attend all Colloquium lectures.

5. **Is there on-campus cellular and Wi-Fi service?** Yes, our campus houses a Commnet roaming cellular tower. Campus guests will need to enable roaming on their phones in order to receive service while on campus. The on-campus tower supports 2G/3G data only. Those with capabilities to turn OFF their 4G and LTE service should do so while on campus. Virgin Mobile and T-Mobile are not currently supported on campus. Visitors are encouraged to turn on Wi-Fi calling while on campus. SMU-in-Taos provides a secure Wi-Fi network for students, faculty and registered guests. You will receive a personal password & configuration instructions for AdobeNet during check-in. Expect internet and cellphone services to run slower in Taos than in major cities due to limited bandwidth.
6. **Is there on-campus printing?** Yes. Students may print documents in the Information Commons during Library hours.
7. **Who do I contact for help with A/V and Tech support?** SMU-in-Taos IT Specialist, Richard Franks (taos_help@smu.edu) is available **Mon-Fri 10am – 5pm** to address all questions regarding A/V and Tech Support.
8. **Who do I contact with facility/maintenance requests?** Please report any maintenance issues to your RA as soon as possible so we can address your issue in a timely manner.
9. **Who do I contact with campus security questions/concerns?** SMU-in-Taos Security Officers can be reached at the on-call number: **575-317-9434**. In case of an emergency, call **911** first and then notify SMU-in-Taos staff.

Campus Policies & Contacts

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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TAOS SECURITY

575-317-9434

TAOS DINING HALL

575-758-7180

TAOS MAIN OFFICE

575-758-8322

DALLAS MAIN OFFICE

214-768-3657

SMU-in-Taos Fort Burgwin

6580 Highway 518
Ranchos de Taos, NM 87557

CAMPUS POLICIES

The SMU Student Code of Conduct and SMU Honor Code apply at the SMU-in-Taos Ft. Burgwin Campus. Students are expected to conduct themselves in such a way that will not disturb or interfere with the resident life and academic pursuits of students or cause damage to the campus or its facilities. Students removed for this reason or any violation of the SMU Student Code of Conduct or SMU Honor code may be immediately withdrawn from their classes, removed from campus, and will not receive any refund. SMU-in-Taos reserves the right to expel students for inappropriate behavior, illegal activity, and unsatisfactory academic performance.

ALCOHOL & DRUGS

Alcohol and drugs are prohibited on the Taos campus. Students may be removed from campus and withdrawn from class if they violate this policy or any portion of the SMU Student Code of Conduct. The Dean of Student Life office will hold the conduct file as part of the student's overall record at SMU, which would be released to third parties upon a properly executed request for the information. SMU may terminate a student's participation at SMU-in-Taos (without refund) at any time for failure to comply with policies or requirements.

SANCTIONS, FINES & RESTITUTION

Sanctions are assessed for violations for which students are found responsible. Sanctions can include, but are not limited to, such things as fines, restitution, community service, and referral to other agencies or offices. Students are responsible for the care of their surroundings. Payment to replace or repair any damaged items, i.e. restitution, will be required. If the responsible party(ies) cannot be identified, the charge will be equally divided between the group of students assigned to that living space.

HOUSING

Students are not allowed to move out of their assigned casita and into another without written consent of the Executive Director of the SMU-in-Taos campus. Guests not enrolled in Taos classes are not allowed to stay overnight on campus.

VEHICLES

Students may bring vehicles to campus. The speed limit on campus is 10 mph. All cars must be registered at Orientation. Students will be issued a parking sticker to be affixed to the windshield on the driver's side. Stickers must be turned in at check out at the end of the term.

The following are prohibited on campus: ATVs, 4 Wheelers, dirt bikes, pets, fireworks, weapons, alcohol, and drugs.

*We look forward to seeing you in Taos
this summer!*

