HUGHES HALL
UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Student Accommodation at Hughes Hall 2026-27



Wileman Building's west front; view from Gresham Court

The College has 392 rooms available to students to rent, 269 rooms are in 6 buildings making up the central college site surrounding the cricket field, and a further 123 are in houses owned or managed by the College and located in the residential streets in the local area, within a short walk of the College. Please note that details of rooms and policies are updated regularly and may change year-to-year.

Most rooms are for single occupancy, though the College has a small number of couples' flats available. About half the student rooms have en-suite shower rooms (comprising shower, toilet, hand basin) and other rooms have access to shared bathrooms (a mix of showers and baths etc.).

For a map indicating the position of College owned accommodation, both on-site and off-site in nearby residential street, please see the end of this guide.

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On-Site Accommodation

Gresham Court

85 single rooms in a new building completed in 2016, Gresham Court has fresh interior decoration, larger beds than are available in the College's standard rooms, and fully en-suite accommodation. The building is on Gresham Road, a quiet and attractive Victorian street with close access to the centre of Cambridge, and the building is linked to the College's administrative buildings by a private path circling Fenner's cricket field.

Several rooms overlook the University's cricket field (Fenner's), the University's lawn tennis courts, courtyard gardens, and Gresham Road. The building has several large, shared kitchen-sitting rooms on each floor, a large study-meeting space on the ground floor, and a dedicated laundry facility. This accommodation meets some of the highest standards for the University's accommodation in Cambridge. (All rooms are 'onsite band A'.)



Gresham Court, view from Gresham Road



A study bedroom in Gresham Court (on-site band A)

Fenner's Building

73 single rooms and 5 larger couples' flats in a recent building (2005) located just adjacent to the College's main gate. All single rooms are en-suite and overlook Fenner's cricket field. This building also includes 1 of the College's accessible rooms and 3 larger, more spacious rooms with a wet room in each. There is a laundry room within the building and several well-equipped shared kitchen-sitting rooms on each floor. Fenner's Building also has two roof terraces with views over the cricket field and towards the west and two of the College's main event and social spaces: the Dining Hall, and the Peter Richards Room. (All single rooms are 'on-site band B' plus 'on-site flat couples' accommodation'.)



Fenner's Building's west front, view from the upper terrace



A study bedroom in the Fenner's Building (on-site band B)

Centenary Building

26 single rooms, all of which are en-suite, in a modern building (1997) on the main site and attached to the Margaret Wileman Building, the College's grandest building and main administrative hub. There are shared, well-equipped kitchens and most rooms overlook the back lawn of the College gardens towards the east front of the Margaret Wileman Building.

Centenary Building also houses the College's guest rooms for visitors (All rooms are 'on-site band B'.)



Centenary Building's south front, view from the back lawn

Chancellor's Court

26 single rooms, 3 small couples' flats, and 3 couples' studios over four modern blocks (1992) surrounding a pleasant lawned courtyard, located just behind the Wollaston Building on the main site. The single rooms are arranged in pairs with a shared bathroom and a shared cooking facility for each pair. (Majority of single rooms are 'on-site band B'.)



Chancellor's Court; view from the rear of Wollaston

Margaret Wileman Building

23 single rooms in a grand building constructed for the College in the 1890s (now listed Grade II), with some more modern additions. There are shared kitchen/dining rooms and shared bathroom facilities available on each floor. The Margaret Wileman Building also contains the College Library, the main administrative offices for the College, meeting and seminar spaces, the MCR clubroom/bar, laundry room, and other student social rooms and shared facilities. (Most rooms are 'on-site band C', some smaller rooms are 'on-site band D'.)



Margaret Wileman Building, view from the drive



A room in the Margaret Wileman Building (on-site band C)

Wollaston Lodge

24 rooms in a pair of attractive symmetrical Arts & Crafts style buildings (probably 1880s), located on the main drive next-door to the Wileman Building. A mix of large and small rooms, some en-suite. There is a large communal kitchen in the basement of each building. (A mix of 'onsite bands A, C, and D'.)



Wollaston Lodge's west front, view from the drive



A room in the Wollaston Lodge

Off-Site Accommodation

In addition to our rooms on the main College site, the College owns several residential houses in the nearby streets.



Devonshire Road

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A terrace of 4 modern houses (c. 2003) built in a traditional style, providing a total of 20 student study bedrooms – with a well-equipped shared kitchen in each house. There is an attractive garden to the rear which is shared between the four buildings, and each house includes a shared bathroom with bath and one with a shower. Devonshire Road houses are the nearest of the College's properties to Cambridge railway station. (All rooms are in 'off-site band A' or 'off-site band B'.)

Houses

Like all the houses in the local area, the College houses are attractive Victorian style properties with individual gardens. The kitchen and bathroom facilities in each house are shared between residents, with between 4 and 7 people living in each house depending on its size. (All bands for the rooms in these houses refer to the off-site rate.)

- Two houses on Glisson Road, both with 5 rooms in bands A, B and C.
- One house in Gwydir Street with 7 rooms in bands A, B and C.
- One house on Mackenzie Road, with 7 rooms in bands A, C and D.
- Three houses on Mawson Road, two with 6 rooms in bands A, B, C and D and one with 7 rooms in bands A, C and D.
- Two houses on Mill Road, one with 5 rooms in bands A, B and C and one with 6 rooms in band C ensuite and D.
- One house on Tension Road, with 4 rooms in bands A and C.
- Four houses on Devonshire Road, all with 5 rooms in bands A and B.
- One house on Emery Road, with 4 ensuite rooms in bands A, B and C and 2 rooms in band C and D.
- Seven houses on Sedgwick Street, three with 5 rooms with a mixture of bands A, B and C with some ensuite and four with 6 rooms with a mixture of bands A, B, C and D some ensuite.
- One family house on Covent Garden with 2/3 bedrooms.

Pricing

Rooms in college accommodation are defined by: price bands based on location; whether the room has en-suite bathroom; and the condition of the room and features. Prices are given per-week, and a standard room licence runs to the end of June (however students can request accommodation into July-August-September).

All rents for single accommodation include utilities (e.g. electricity) and cleaning in communal areas and bathrooms, as well as a charge for Internet access. (Cleaning bathrooms is not

included in couples' unit rents.) Insurance is provided for both single rooms and couples' accommodation.

Single Accommodation Bands

There are four on-site bands, and seven off-site bands. Band prices are published on the College website. Fees and charges - Hughes Hall

On-site band 'A'

Includes all the accommodation in the new Gresham Court development beside the University cricket field and grass tennis courts. Rooms in this band are in the larger category. They have smart new furniture, large windows, and are fitted with larger beds than are provided in elsewhere in the College. They have the benefit of being in a brand-new architect-designed building providing some of the highest quality student housing available in the University. There are also a number of 'on-site band A' rooms in the Wollaston Lodge houses; these are spacious en-suite rooms with double beds.

On-site band 'B'

The majority of Band B rooms have en-suite facilities, some have shared facilities with one other student and are on the main College site, including Centenary Building, Fenner's and Chancellor's Court.

On-site band 'C'

While these rooms are similar to band A and band B rooms they do not have en-suite bathroom facilities. These rooms are in a mix of the Margaret Wileman building, Wollaston Lodge and Chancellor's Court.

On-site band 'D'

Band D rooms include smaller rooms with access to shared bathrooms rather than having en-suite facilities. All these rooms are located in Wollaston Lodge and the Wileman Building.

Off-site band 'A' Ensuite

The larger size of off-site accommodation and is off the central site with en-suite facilities, located in the various nearby college-owned or managed houses.

Off-site band 'B' Ensuite

Standard size rooms for off-site accommodation, with ensuite. Accommodation is located in various houses.

Off-site band 'C' Ensuite

Smaller rooms with ensuite. These are all located in college houses in the nearby residential streets.

Off-site band 'A' (shared bathroom)

The larger size of off-site accommodation. All accommodation off the central site is without en-suite facilities, so these are rooms with access to shared bathrooms. Some in this category are located in Devonshire Court, others are in the various college houses.

Off-site band 'B' (shared bathroom)

Standard size rooms for off-site accommodation, all with shared bathroom facilities. Most of these are in Devonshire Court, though a number are located in various houses.

Off-site band 'C' (shared bathroom)

Smaller rooms and shared bathrooms. These are all located in college houses in the nearby residential streets.

Off-site band 'D' (shared bathroom)

Smaller rooms with shared facilities in nearby college owned or managed houses (previously discounted off-site C category).

Couples' Accommodation

The College has a number of flats and studios for students in **established long-term relationships intending to live in Cambridge with their partner as the primary place of residence for both individuals throughout the academic year.** All are located on the central site. Pricing is based on the nature of the accommodation rather than a banding system. Demand for these is usually high.

Flats - Fenner's Building

There are 5 on-site flats with a similar layout in the Fenner's Building. 4 have shared entrances up a stairwell separate from the main Fenner's Building entrance, a fifth is accessed from the second floor. The main living/dining space looks over the cricket field. There is a double bedroom, also with a view of the cricket field, and a smaller second room with window to the rear. In addition there is a kitchen off the main room, and a bathroom with bath (with shower overhead). The flats have neutral decoration and are furnished with double bed, wardrobe,

dining table and chairs, sofa and armchair. The kitchen has cooker with oven and hob, a microwave, fridge, sink and cupboards.

Flats – Chancellor's Court

There are 3 on-site flats with a similar layout in Chancellor's Court with stairs to access them. There is a main living/dining space, a double bedroom and a small kitchen off the hall, plus a bathroom with shower. The flats have neutral decoration and are furnished with double bed, wardrobe, dining table and chairs, sofa and armchair. The kitchen has a cooker with oven and hob, a microwave, fridge, sink and cupboards.

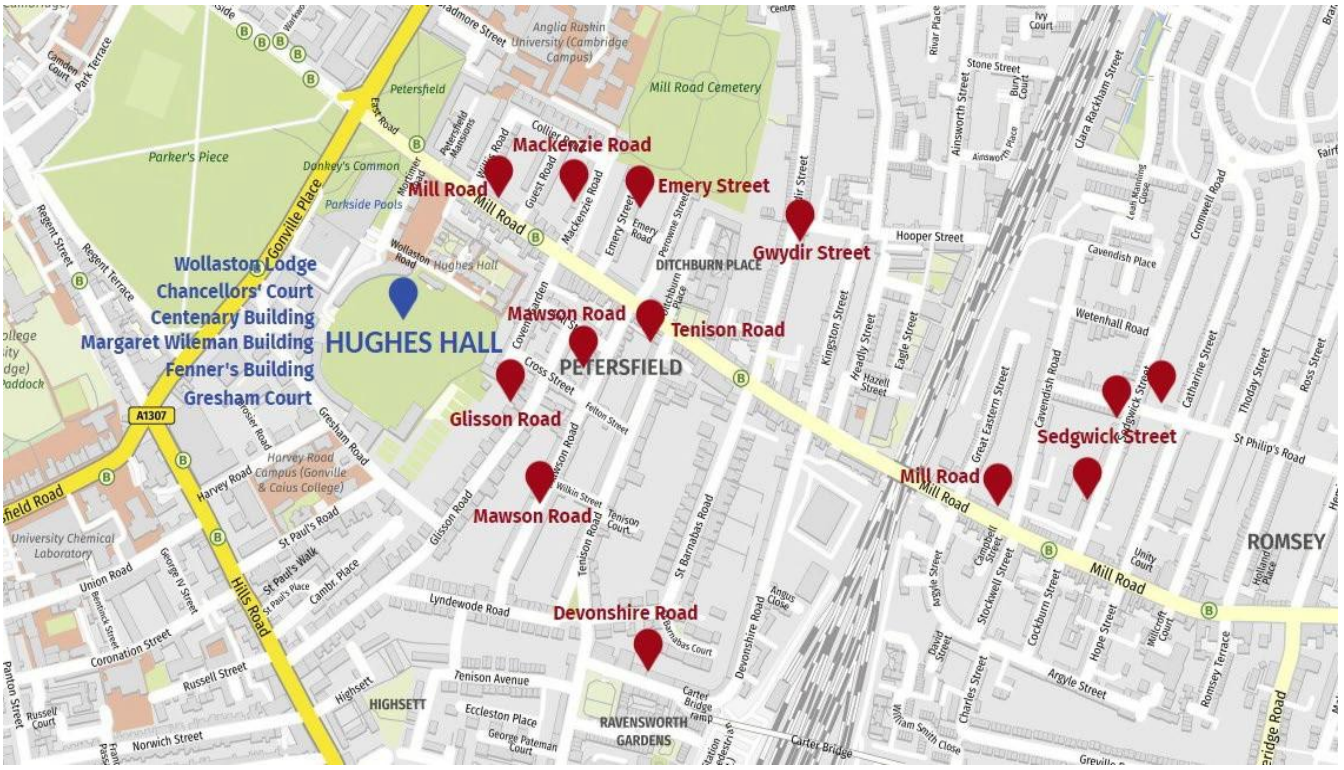
Studio – Chancellor's Court

There are 3 couples' on-site studios in Chancellor's Court, one on each floor with stairs to access. A kitchen area at the entrance leads into the main bed-sitting room. The kitchen has hob and oven, fridge plus storage cupboards and sink. The main room has double bed, desk and chair. Off the main room is a shower room. The flat on the top floor has a steep stairway to an upper mezzanine area providing study space with a desk and chair.

Family house

The College owns a 2/3 bedroom house that backs on to the College. The house is fully furnished and comprises of 2 upstairs bedrooms, plus one with a small adjoining room that can be used as a small 3rd bedroom or a study space. Downstairs there is a full bathroom, kitchen, separate dining room and lounge.

A map of College accommodation (on-site and off-site)



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