

THE MENNO SIMONS CENTRE

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The Menno Simons Centre, formerly a Catholic Convent, is a student residence located 4 kms from UBC and Regent College in the quiet and beautiful residential area of Point Grey. This residence is supported by an Inter-Mennonite society, which seeks to provide a supportive Christian community for university and college students. The chapel in the Centre is regularly used for worship by the Point Grey Inter-Mennonite Fellowship and the Fellowship warmly welcomes residents to participate in their worship.

The Centre has 22 rooms. Each room is furnished with a bed, closet and bookshelf; many also have a sink. During the summer months we provide linens if requested but if borrowed, residents are asked to wash them upon departure. Also, in order to keep costs low it is expected that residents clean their rooms before they leave. There are two kitchens, which contain pots, pans, dishes, utensils, etc. for students to do their own cooking. In addition, there is a large dining room, a study lounge, a small chapel, a recreation/TV lounge, laundry facilities and a bike storage room. A guestroom is also available free of charge for any overnight visitors residents might have. Personal telephone and Internet service is available for residents staying the entire 4 months from May-August. A bus stop is conveniently located one block from the Centre and it takes about 10 minutes to take the bus to UBC.

Over the summer, residents often share time together with potlucks and various forms of recreation. However, because we are not simply a hotel or hostel, residents are expected to comply with the Residency Conduct Terms listed below, as well as share in weekly tasks of cleaning the Centre while staying with us. Further, the use of alcohol, tobacco or illegal substances is not permitted in the Centre.

Exact rental fees are found on the application form below. Full payment of stay, or payment for one week, whichever is less, is due upon arrival at the Centre as well as a damage/cleaning deposit of \$250 (or \$50 for a stay of 3 weeks or less). The deposit will be refunded when you leave provided there is no damage and you have cleaned your room and linens.

If you have any further questions, which need clarification, please feel free to email (info@mennosimonscentre.com) or (mennosimons@hotmail.com) or call us (604 224 5202). Thank you for considering staying with us, and we are looking forward to getting to know you.

Sincerely,

Jodie and Wes Smith
Residence Coordinators
Menno Simons Centre

Application Form for Summer Residence

A) Personal Information:

Name: _____ Birth date: _____ Gender (M/F): _____

Permanent Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Institution you will attend: _____

Occupation: _____

How did you hear about us? _____

Next of Kin: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

B) Statement of Character and Intent:

On a separate sheet of paper, briefly describe yourself (character/personality) and your spiritual journey. In addition, please share your hobbies and interests with us, as well as current issues and concerns (i.e. social, environmental, etc.) in which you are presently interested. Since the Menno Simons Centre is an intentional Christian community house, we expect you to participate in the weekly common meal, bi monthly RA groups and monthly worship times. Each person radically alters the feel of our community, so think creatively of what you could bring to our group. In a second paragraph, briefly explain why you would like to live at the Menno Simons Centre and how you feel you might benefit from your time here.

C) Rental rates: \$210 per week (small or large room, as available)

\$405 per month for a small room

\$430 per month for a large room

NOTE: A \$250 damage/cleaning deposit is required when you arrive (or \$50 for a stay of 3 weeks or less) .

3. Dates of Stay - Arrival: _____ - Departure: _____

RESIDENCY CONDUCT TERMS

These terms shall govern the conduct of the Resident while the Resident is living at the Menno Simons Centre (the "Centre"). By signing below, the Resident agrees to all of the terms listed.

1. Standards

A Resident shall comply with the following standards:

- (a) Guests or Visitors The Resident is responsible for the behaviour of his or her guests. The Resident must be present as a host of his or her guests. Anyone who is invited, accepted or admitted to the Centre by the Resident is considered to be a guest of that Resident. If the Resident gives access to a stranger or "unhosted person" or anyone, then, the Resident will be considered to be the host of that person and will be held responsible for that person's actions.
- (b) Alcohol use Alcohol is not permitted at the Centre.
- (c) Attack on the dignity and security of an individual Any activity that is racist, sexist, homophobic, or any form of discrimination, sexual harassment or unwanted sexual attention is prohibited. This can include, but is not limited to: posting or distributing material and/or behaving in a manner that is offensive and may contribute to an intimidating, hostile or uncomfortable environment; putting offensive posters/pictures in windows or common areas available for public view; using e-mail, voice mail, message boards, mail or other mediums to convey nuisance, obscene, or otherwise objectionable messages; writing graffiti on the Centre or encouraging or engaging in offensive acts or behaviour.
- (d) Dangerous Activity Activities that the Centre considers dangerous or potentially harmful to any Resident of the Centre or their guest, including the Resident engaging in such activities, are prohibited.
- (e) Drugs The possession, use, trafficking or offering to do anything related to the possession, use or trafficking of illegal drugs is strictly prohibited. Any involvement, whether direct or indirect, in any illegal drug or drug-related activity is strictly prohibited. Possession of paraphernalia that is associated with the possession, use or trafficking of illegal drugs is strictly prohibited.
- (f) Noise The Centre is in a densely populated community, and while absolute silence may not be possible, excessive noise on an ongoing basis will not be permitted. The Centre has an obligation to ensure that a Resident and his guests do not disturb other Residents and guests or members of the surrounding neighbourhood. If the Resident is making excessive noise and that Resident is asked to be quiet, then, the Resident shall make all reasonable efforts to respect the request for quiet and reduce the noise being made by the Resident. The Resident shall comply with any "quiet hours" instituted from time to time by the Housing Corporation. For the purposes of this paragraph "quiet hours" are those times during which Residents are prohibited from making noise which can be heard outside the Resident's Room or which may disturb the Resident's

roommate in any way (if applicable) or which can be heard outside the House or may disturb other Residents inside the Centre or neighbouring properties.

- (g) Parties/Social Gatherings Any parties or social gatherings of the Resident must be registered with and approved by the Centre and must abide by all rules made, from time to time, by the Centre with respect to parties and social gatherings.
- (h) Violence There is zero-tolerance for physical aggression, violence, and/or sexual assault in residence. Physical aggression includes any physically aggressive or violent behaviour, such as fighting, hitting, punching, slapping, kicking, pushing, pulling, throwing objects at another, et cetera. Sexual assault includes any unwanted act of a sexual nature imposed by one person on another without consent.

2. Sanctions

If the Resident violates any of the provisions of paragraph 1, then the Centre may impose any or all of the following sanctions against the Resident:

- (a) Warning The Centre may give the Resident a verbal or written notice confirming that continued or repeated violations may be the cause for further action by the Centre.
- (b) Police Referral If the Resident violates the provisions of these Terms, the Centre may refer the matter to the Police.
- (c) Eviction If the Resident receives two warnings and does not comply with or is not working diligently towards complying with these Terms, the Centre may evict the Resident.

In signing the following, I acknowledge that I have accurately answered all of the above questions, and I consent to participating within the expectations of the Menno Simons Centre as outlined on the previous pages. I agree that i have read and agree to be bound by these Terms.

_____ (Resident)

Print Name: _____

Date: _____