

Auden Buffalo

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

General

What Type of Apartments Are Available?

Auden Buffalo offers studios, 1-, 2-, 3- and 4-bedroom floor plans.

Is There an Application and Administration Fee?

Yes, we require a non-refundable \$20 application fee which covers the background screening and credit check on the applicant and the guarantor. Additionally, there is a \$4.50 administration fee per month to process utilities.

How Much Time Does It Take to Process the Application?

Applications can be processed and approved within a few hours, provided that the online application form is fully completed.

What Are the Requirements to Qualify for The Apartment?

During the application process, we will look at several things to make sure you qualify. The most important requirements are:

- 1. No criminal history
- 2. Positive rental history
- 3. Guarantor with verifiable income (can be added on after the application and signing the lease, but needs to be provided prior to the move-in date)

Do I Have to Pay a Move-In Fee When I Sign My Lease?

No, you don't have to pay any fees when you sign your lease, except for the application and administration fees.

How Far Away Are You from College Campuses?

Our community is located just two minutes away by car from the University at Buffalo. We are 10 minutes away from Daemen College and 15 minutes away from SUNY Buffalo State College.

Are Pets Allowed?

Yes, we are a pet friendly community! The refundable pet deposit is \$250 plus a \$35 monthly pet rent.

Is Smoking Permitted in The Building?

Auden Buffalo is a smoke-free community. Smoking is prohibited everywhere on the premises, including outdoor areas.

What Are the Security Features on The Property?

Our priority is to provide residents with a safe and secure home. We take proactive measures, such as high-resolution surveillance cameras in all public areas, controlled electronic entry and limited access to the community, as well as courtesy patrols at select times. Management staff are also on-site and can be reached by a 24-hour phone number. However, it is the resident's responsibility to secure their own safety and to lock up all personal belongings.

Apartment

How Much Is Rent?

Rent rates are per bedroom and vary depending on the size of the unit and floor plan preference. For current specials, please contact our leasing office to get more information.

What Is Included in The Rental Price?

You are paying a flat rate that includes all the community features (ice skating rink, movie theater, fitness center, hot tubs, shuttle bus, swimming pool etc.). Water, Gas, WIFI, Garbage,

Sewer and Electricity up to \$25 per bedroom per month are included in the rental price.

What Utilities Are Included?

ALL of the utilities are included in your rent, with the exception of electricity which is capped at \$25 allowance per bedroom. The electricity overage will be split equally by the number of occupied bedrooms.

Are the Apartments Furnished?

Yes. All our brand-new luxury apartments come fully furnished and have luxury wood grain flooring. The living/common area will include a sofa, coffee table, end table, dining table, and chairs. The bedroom furniture includes a full-sized bed with a memory foam mattress, nightstand, desk, and desk chair. All appliances will be provided as well, including washer and dryer. Your new kitchen will have granite countertops and stainless-steel appliances, including a refrigerator, stove/oven, microwave, and dishwasher.

What Happens When There's a Maintenance Problem in The Apartment?

Our on-site maintenance team is dedicated to resolving maintenance issues as quickly as possible. You can request maintenance by using our online Resident Portal or you can call the leasing office.

Lease Term & Rental Installments

What Should I Know Before I Sign the Lease for My New Apartment?

A lease is a basic agreement between you and the owner of the Auden Buffalo community. The lease is legally binding and enforceable through the legal system. If you choose to move out before the end of the lease terms, you could still be responsible to pay the remainder of the lease agreement.

How Long Is the Lease?

Currently, we are only offering 12-month lease agreements. The standard term is August 14, 2020 to July 31, 2021 with payments made in 12 equal installments.

Can I Terminate My Lease Earlier?

No, the minimum lease term is 12 months and we do not allow early lease termination. However, we offer the option to reassign the lease if you need to leave Auden Buffalo earlier than your lease end date. You will be responsible for paying 85% of the monthly rent until the space has been completely rented by another individual. Additionally, you have the option to sublet the room. The subletter must apply, be approved by management, sign all lease documents, and pay all fees to

successfully take over your lease. Please contact the leasing office for more details.

What Is an Individual Lease?

An individual lease provides each resident with their own separate lease agreement for their specific bedroom. That means you are only responsible for paying your portion of rent. If your roommate is late, transfers to a different unit or moves out, you don't have to worry about a thing, because you are not financially responsible for them. Your rent will not go up and you will not be held liable for any delinquent amounts owed by your roommate(s).

What Is an Installment?

The lease agreement reflects the total rent amount for the contracted period which is typically divided into 12 equal installments due August 1st - July 31st. These installments DO NOT represent a monthly rent amount and are not prorated.

Guarantors

What Is a Guarantor? Do I Have to Provide One Before I Can Move-In?

Yes. All residents are required to have a guarantor to move into their apartment homes. A guarantor acts as a financial co-signer and agrees to be equally responsible for all the rules and regulations of the lease agreement for the entire lease term. That means he/she will be financially responsible for the rent if the leaseholder is unable to pay.

Do I Need a Guarantor in Order to Apply or Sign the Lease?

No, you do not have to wait until you have a guarantor. It will only delay your application and you might risk missing out on our specials. To lock into the special rate, you can submit your application, sign the lease agreement, and add the guarantor later. However, an approved guarantor must be provided prior to the move-in date.

Who Can Qualify as a Guarantor?

A guarantor is usually a parent, guardian, grandparent, sibling, aunt, uncle, or other family member with financial stability. He/She must make a minimum of three times the rent in gross income each month and meet the following requirements:

- 1. Positive credit and rental history
 - 2. No evictions and foreclosure
 - 3. No criminal history

What If My Guarantor Does Not Meet the Requirements?

If your guarantor does not meet the requirements as outlined above, you are welcome to apply with a different guarantor. We

may accept an additional one if the initial guarantor does not qualify individually. In the event another guarantor is needed, we accept a maximum of two guarantors. The exact terms can vary and can only be accurately determined after the applications have been submitted and processed. If an approved guarantor cannot be obtained, we recommend our third-party guarantor service.

Does the Background Check Hurt my Credit Score?

No, background checks are considered soft credit inquiries and will not lower your credit score. It is simply a review of your credit and is not connected to an application for new credit.

Your credit will not be affected.

Financial Aid

How Does It Work with Financial Aid When Living Off-Campus?

If you live off-campus, your living costs can be covered by financial aid, just like on-campus housing. Your financial need is calculated the same way. The major difference is that the bursar will not charge you for your housing expenses. Any available financial aid funds (after university charges are satisfied) are released to you as non-institutional expenses, such as off campus housing. That means you will need to pay your housing expenses directly to us/the landlord, as outlined in your lease. Please contact your university's financial aid counselor for guidance and more information.

Roommate Matching & Requests

How Are the Rooms Assigned?

When applying and signing your lease with Auden Buffalo, you can list your room preference on your housing application. We are happy to take all requests for building, floor location, apartment view and bedroom choice. We will do our very best to accommodate as many preference requests as possible for each resident. All requests are served on a first come, first served basis. Hence, if more than one resident has the same request, we will honor the request of the resident who signed their lease first

Do You Allow Coed Apartments?

Yes, if it is explicitly requested and agreed upon by everyone in the apartment with written consent.

I Don't Have Any/Or Enough Roommates, Can I Still Sign the Lease for An Apartment?

Absolutely! If you don't have roommates in mind (or enough to fill the spaces in the apartment of your choice) but want to reserve your spot to live at Auden Buffalo, we've got you covered! We offer a roommate matching program that gives you the freedom and control to determine who you'll live with. After signing your lease, you will be invited to complete a detailed questionnaire. Then we will do our best to help you find the

perfect roommate! We will match you with someone who has similar interests, lifestyle, study, and social habits.

Can I Request Specific Roommates?

Of course! We are more than willing to accommodate those who already have roommates in mind together. Just list the roommates you have chosen under the 'roommate' tab when filling out your application. It is important that all roommates list each other and that all requests are mutual.

What Happens If the People I Wanted to Live with Don't Sign?

No worries, we can roommate match you for the remaining spots in your apartment, or you can amend your lease to live in another floor plan if we have the availability.

What If I Don't Get Along with My Roommate(s)?

We highly recommend everyone to have a discussion of boundaries with their roommates immediately after moving in. In case of a dispute, we ask that roommates attempt to talk about any issues within the household first and try to work towards a solution prior to contacting the leasing office. If the dispute cannot be resolved, the leasing team will step in as a mediator and may be able to assist with the outcome on a case-by-case basis.

Move-In

Is Renter's Insurance Required?

Renter's insurance is required through Greystar! This is a low-cost way to protect your belongings in the event of damage, loss, or theft. As per the liability clause in the lease agreement, Auden Buffalo is not liable for any belongings that are damaged, lost, or stolen.

When Is Rent Due?

Rent is due on the 1st of each month per the payment schedule outlined in the lease agreement. Online rental payments through our Resident Portal can be automatically set up once the resident has moved in. There is a four-day grace period before rent is late. An initial \$50 late fee will be charged on the fifth day of the month and then an additional \$10 each day thereafter.

How Can I Make a Payment?

We've made paying rent easy and convenient. There are several payment options to suit your needs. You can make payments online through our Resident Portal with E-check, debit cards, and credit cards (Visa, Discover, Mastercard). Fees may apply. At move-in, you will get more information on how to pay online. Payments can also be made in person at our Leasing Office.

What Is a Resident Portal?

All our residents and their guarantors have access to our online resident portal. That is where you can pay rent, submit maintenance requests, set up automatic payments and more.

What Size are the Beds?

The beds are Full XL for all units other than the studio which has a Twin XL bed.

What Else Should I Bring?

- Bedding
- Bathroom Accessories shower curtain, mats, towels, toiletries, etc.
- Kitchen Utensils pots and pans, silverware, dishes, cups, bowls, etc.
 - Cleaning Supplies & Laundry Detergent

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