

UCPH Housing Foundation Options

Popular halls of residence for exchange students

- Bispebjerg Kollegiet
 - Outer Nørrebro, 25 min bike ride from center city
 - 15 min bike ride from the Lakes, 35 min bike ride from KUA (UCPH “south campus” in Amager)
 - Mostly small single rooms with kitchen and bathroom
 - Very drab-modern style, each room is like a little box with big windows and some have terraces!
 - Overlooks train station so can be occasionally noisy
- Rebslaggervej
 - Outer Nørrebro, approx. 25 min bike ride from center city
 - Down the road from Bispebjerg
 - Facilities have been updated more recently than Bispebjerg
 - Also mostly small single rooms with kitchen and bathroom
 - Big windows, also modern but less industrial than Bispebjerg
 - Right next door to a technical college, has nice back patio and study rooms
- Solvgade Kaserne
 - Commonly referred to as Base Camp
 - The most central location possible, across from Statens Museum for Kunst (National Gallery), Kongens Have/Rosenborg Castle, and the Botanical Gardens
 - 10 min walk to Nørreport, a central transport hub with buses, trains, and metro
 - 5 min from lakes, 5 min from UCPH Social Science Campus
 - Very recently updated facilities in a historic building
 - Good-sized single rooms with small kitchen and small bathroom (varies depending in your specific room)
 - Professional staff in-house, building-wide events, central courtyard and study spaces, has a full gym in the basement for no extra cost!
- Tietgenkollegiet
 - Dorm located at KUA, UCPH’s South Campus in Amager
 - Known for its unique architecture (definitely look at photos on the internet)
 - Single rooms with own bathroom, shared kitchens for the floor
 - Emphasis on community on your floor (referred to as your kitchen), you have responsibilities to cook meals and clean shared spaces
 - Very nice gym, study rooms, and courtyard with huge campus events
 - A bit far from every other UCPH campus (Frederiksberg, Social Science by the Lakes, Nørrebro, etc.)
- University Guest House
 - Another very centrally located dorm option, right above the International House where all students go to get visa’s/residence permits/etc.
 - Very close to the lakes, Nørreport, 10 min ride to Vesterbro, 10 min to Frederiksberg, ~15 min bike to KUA/Amager

- Mostly shared rooms with shared bathroom and kitchen facilities (some exceptions)
- Similar to Tietgen in the emphasis on community, there are commonly shared meals and events held for residents, dinner is served every night

Shared apartments

- Location depends on where you have classes, UCPH has multiple campuses (but nothing is really that far by bike)
- Roommates can be totally random for anyone using the Housing Foundation – meaning you could be with 3 other exchange students all under 25, or be with a 40 year old man and a 20 year old girl, or any mix in-between!
- Generally you want to think about how far you'd be willing to bike in the cold rain, because Copenhagen weather can be dreary (nothing Bostonians can't handle)

Neighborhood info

- UCPH has four campuses: North Campus (Nørre, in Nørrebro), City Campus (right on the Lakes), South Campus (Søndre in Amager, also called KUA), and Frederiksberg campus
- The campus you'll be at depends on what kind of classes you'll be taking, there are many natural science classes at Frederiksberg; language, humanities and cultural courses at KUA; social science at City Campus; and other science/medical faculties at North Campus
- If you're not planning on buying or renting a bike, make sure you look into where the closest bus/metro stops are to your housing!
- Nørrebro
 - Very hip, lots of really great restaurants and places to hang out
 - Most multicultural neighborhood in Copenhagen, most minorities live on/near Nørrebrogade
 - For apartments, try to be as close to the lakes as possible so you can easily access other parts of the city
- Indre By
 - Center city, lots of shopping, places to eat, tourist attractions, art galleries
 - Not too many housing options because it is filled with activity but there are some great quiet neighborhoods within it
 - Contains the Latin Quarter and Nyhavn which are picturesque parts of the city!
- Christianshavn
 - Right next to Indre By, known for its canals, several museums, Christianborg Palace, the Royal Library (the Black Diamond)
 - Also not too many Housing Foundation options, but a really great area to spend time in/around
- Amager
 - South of the rest of the city (cross the water, technically a separate island)
 - Very modern, developing from old industrial area to up and coming neighborhoods
- Christiania – commune just between Indre By and Amager; collective living, common tourist stop, lots of vendors (read more about it online) definitely no housing options

- Vesterbro
 - The west part of the city, very trendy and cool
 - Lots of boutique shopping and good restaurants, nightlife and places to hang out
 - Old “red light district” but has become much safer with many more people buying apartments there
 - Good location for students, especially if you’re closer to the lakes and/or Central Train Station
- Østerbro
 - Quiet neighborhood to the East of the center of the city, on the end of the lakes
 - Very family-oriented, lots of good restaurants and cafes though
 - Unless you’re right next to the lakes, not an ideal housing option because it is so quiet compared to other CPH neighborhoods
- Frederiksberg
 - Northwest of the center of the city, just above Vesterbro and to the West of Nørrebro
 - Also very family-friendly, but there are many students and young people who live in the area, especially closer to the Lakes

In general, all of Copenhagen is extremely safe and truly nothing is far. To go from one edge of the city to the other is about a 40 minute bike ride. Choosing your housing option depends on what you want (to be able to cook yourself, have your own space, have a gym, be close to classes, etc.). There are many other options on the Housing Foundation website, but these are the options that were common for Spring 2017 exchange students!