



Residence Life Information

Suffolk University Residence Life welcomes you in its two different residences, nestled in the one of the best residential parts of Dakar, SENEGAL. The “Main Dorms” was built on campus, in the year 2000. It is a co-ed building comprised of 20 double rooms. Each room has an air conditioner, bathroom with toilet, shower and sink, and a high-speed Internet connection.

Suffolk University Dakar Campus manages another residence, the Arc-en-Ciel house, which is within walking distance from the main campus. The Arc-en-Ciel residence is for women only. Services provided include a cafeteria, open all week at the campus, laundry, and 24 hour security services at each dorm.

Room Amenities

Rooms have two or three single size beds, mattresses, curtains, desk, and internet cable. Bathrooms are tiled, equipped with towel rack, mirror, with a shelf over the sink. Students are responsible for cleaning their own room. Laundry services are provided with room fees. The laundry staff will wash fifteen items of clothes per week for each student. Students provide their own soap. All students are expected to respect and maintain their rooms. Students will be charged a fee for any damages. Rooms are inspected once every month.

Meal Plan

A cafeteria with a capacity of 80 seats, shares the same courtyard with the Main dorms located on campus. All residence hall students are required to be on the residence hall meal plan. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are provided Monday through Sunday. Breakfast and lunch are provided Saturday and Sunday. Students following a strict diet have to inform the residence life director in advance, or stipulate that detail in the housing request application. Filtered water is provided in the cafeteria at all times; there are also microwave ovens in each residence, and in the cafeteria.

Student Population

Presently students living in the SUDC dormitory are from various countries including Burkina Faso, Nigeria, Guinea, Mali, Senegal, Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Gambia, Togo, Benin and Senegal. This diversity is a wonderful opportunity to develop life skills, exchange ideas, and conduct conversations in English or French. We hope that this living experience can assist each resident to develop a greater understanding and respect for persons from various regions of the world.

- Students interested in living in the dormitory must pay two months dorm fees to reserve their room.
- Students from the US must also pay a deposit fee to reserve their room. Students from the US on Financial Aid must make arrangements through their institution for payment to the Suffolk Dakar campus.

STAFF

The Residence Life office is under supervision of the Director of Student Services. There is a Residence Hall manager and a team of three Resident Assistants who are qualified to work with the manager. The Resident Assistants develop a strong community through coordinating special programs, getting to know the residents, and enforcing policies. Also, our team works closely with the staff in the cafeteria, and the cleaning services.

What should you bring?

Clothes:

- The majority of our students bring a basic wardrobe with mostly casual clothing. Keep in mind that early and late January is generally cold. Include a professional outfit for class presentation, sweaters, summer clothing and cultural items from your countries of origin for our International Day festival.

Small Electronics:

- Alarm clock
- Personal computer (Laptop) – all rooms are equipped with a high-speed Internet connection.

Linen and Bath:

- Bed linen (single bed size), blankets
- Towels, washcloths, bathrobe
- Hygiene products, toothbrush and soap holder

Personal Items:

- Personal photographs for souvenir
- Personal address book
- Personal identification

Medicines:

- First aid kit, medicines for minor ailments like fever, cold, cough, stomach-ache, etc. and any other personal medication, antiseptic cream. Get all your personal medical history papers, especially the results of a complete medical checkup.

Banking information:

- It is convenient to open a saving account, especially to have some money at hand in case you need to buy something. We advise our students to open up an account at their parents' affiliated banks present in Senegal. Banks in Senegal provide Automated Teller Machine (ATM) cards that allow you to withdraw money. Many international banks are present in Senegal. The Societe Generale de Banque au Senegal (SGBS), Compagnie Bancaire de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (CBAO), and ECOBANK are among the choices that we recommend to our students considering they are the most branded banks.
- A credit or debit card is also a convenient method and saves you the trouble of always carrying cash around.

Suggested prices of items in different retail stores or market.

Recommended Residence Hall Items (To Bring or buy)

ITEM	PRICE (in Franc CFA)	Where to buy in Dakar
SHEET SET	12000-15000	ORCA
PILLOWS	6200-6900	ORCA
HANGERS	250/each	SANDAGA Market
TUPPERWARE (6 Liters)	1000	SCORE CASINO
Cotol (all purpose cleaning)	890	SCORE CASINO
Klinet (all purpose cleaning)	850	SCORE CASINO
Scouring powder	660-1670	SCORE CASINO
Gloves (for cleaning)	990	SCORE CASINO
Soap (for laundry)	240/200g	SCORE CASINO
Bleach	480	SCORE CASINO
Broom/broom set	1200-3600	ORCA

What should you NOT bring?

- Coffee pots/ makers, electrical heaters
- Any cooking appliance (including hot pots, grills, hot plates, etc.)
- Candles, incense, Tart Burners, plug-in air freshener
- Pets (including fish)
- Alcohol (including “decorative containers”)
- Illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia
- Halogen lamps (including desk lamps)
- Firearms, including mace and pepper spray
- Tape, adhesive, glue, paste, nails, tacks, staples and screws on walls furniture, doors, or other woodwork or glass is not permitted.

Safety Precautions:

- ✓ Never go out alone
- ✓ At night always make sure to be accompanied by your friends or fellows
- ✓ Keep your bank information and PIN number to yourself as it will give access to anyone to your account.
- ✓ Always make sure that you know where you card is. It is extremely difficult to trace stolen cards.
- ✓ Avoid withdrawing money or making transactions at late hours from an ATM machine.



Housing Request Form

Name _____ Male / Female (Please circle)

Temporary Address (until when?) _____

Permanent Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____ Date of Birth _____

Please circle when you plan to attend S.U.D.C.:

Summer / Fall / Spring 2009 2010

Please specify which housing arrangements you prefer:

___ **Off-campus** Arc-en-Ciel (women only)

___ **On campus** Main residence Hall

Please return the following documents via mail, fax or email:

1. Housing Request Form
2. Airport Pick up Form

TO: Mrs. Anna Bibi Ndiaye-Sene
Residence Hall Manager
Suffolk University Dakar Campus
Km 6, av. Cheikh Anta Diop
BP 16.892 Dakar Fann, Senegal

Resident Life Office: (221) 33 860 31 39
Fax: (221) 33 825 46 03

If you have any specific questions, please contact us directly at the
Email address. andiaye@suffolk.edu

Though you may make your housing request, please keep in mind that you will
not receive your final placement until your tuition payment has been received
by the Bursar's Office.

For Residence Life Office Use Only-Please do not write below this line

Room Assignment: MAIN ARC en CIEL MERMOZ Room No. _____

Approved by: _____

Date: _____