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Where memories are made

A GUIDE TO THOLO RESIDENCE

Dear Prospective Student

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Dear Prospective Student,

This brochure explains how our residence system functions and it also aims to familiarise you with the dynamics of residence life in generall.,

Residence life is an integral and important part of your university experience.
Student housing and Residence Life at Tholo Res strives to ensure that an optimum living and learning" environment is the foundation of our residence culture. Every effort is made to ensure that our residence life experience will foster your holistic development as well as being fully supportive of your academic program.

The residences have in place various governance structures and programmes that strive to make our residences a 'home away from home". On your arrivall you will be warmly welcomed by your Student Affairs personnel and house committee members. They are there to facilitate your smooth transition into independent" living for many first time students an unfamiliar experience. You will also receive a Welcome Pack' that includes details of the programmes and support structures available to you in the residences, such as Orientation, Mentors, Peer Helpers and Life Skills workshops..

Residence life is also very much community-orientated, and you will have the opportunity to experience and participate in the rich cultural diversity which our University embraces. Fostering mutual support, promoting effective governance and accountability, as well as leadership and citizenship development, are some of the fundamentals of the residence community life experience. Students are also given opportunities to participate in sociall responsibility initiatives organised under the auspices of the house committees.

Residence rules and disciplinary procedures are designed to ensure that students adhere to are responsible and considerate code of conduct. In addition, student-led programs that foster efforts toward energy saving and waste management are fully supported and endorsed.

Our residence strives to achieve excellence in all spheres of residence life. Should you have any queries or concerns about the residence ,please do not hesitate to contact the Students Affairs Personnel or residence liaison officer at the contact numbers provided in this brochure.

Student Affairs personnel and residence liaison officers are amenable to arranging for you to view your allocated residence, but this arrangement should be made well in advance.

We look forward to welcoming you at Thollo Res, and trust that your residence life experience will be as rich and rewarding as you have anticipated.

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ABOUT THOLO RES

The policy and criteria for admission to Tholo Res are based on previous academic results and discipline records.

- Tholo Residence is a self-catering accommodation.
- In mixed-gender residences, male and female students are accommodated on separate floors and units.
- The residence has strict access control.
- Some of our units are equipped to accommodate students with disabilities. **Students with special needs should contact the Student Affairs Office as early as possible.**
- Our residence provides accommodations for undergraduate male and female students, who are usually under the age of 21.
- Tholo Residence provides students mostly with sharing flats, which accommodate from 2 to 4 students per flat.
- Bachelor units are also available on request, first come, first served.
- If you are placed in a double room, you are allowed to choose a roommate before occupying the room.
- Our rooms are equipped with the following: Fridge; microwave; stove, bed, study table, and study lamp. We also have full Wi-Fi. coverage inside all rooms and electricity & water backup.

WELCOME MESSAGE



Maretha Wiese
Operational Manager

Greetings Everyone

We are happy you are all here! Let us make this new academic year special with a relentless thirst for knowledge. We are ready for you! We hope you are ready for us!

To our returning students. **Welcome back!**
We hope you had a great break. It's time to look forward to a year of memories. Let us begin with partnering our way through new discoveries in education and a memorable student life. Let's enjoy the ride together🎓🎓🎓

Wish you all success.

HOW THE RESIDENCE IS ORGANISED

All residences have a **house parent** who lives on site or within walking distance.
These residences also have elected student governing bodies called **house committees**.
The house committee shares responsibility with the house parent for addressing the academic and social needs and interests of the residence students. House parents, together with house committees, aim to create friendly and comfortable environments in which students are able to pursue their academic objectives and to achieve personal growth.

House parents take an interest in students' ideas and issues and, together with the house committees, are involved in the planning and organisation of residence life.
House parents, along with the house committees of their residences, have a responsibility to see that the rules of the residence are observed. They are also responsible for dealing with those students who break the rules.

While house parents act in *loco parentis* for all students, they act as guardians, in the strictly legal sense, to all minor students in the residence in the event of an emergency. However, they may not stand surety for loan and bursary applications.
House committees organise numerous activities throughout the year in order to maintain a balanced residence experience. Many residences operate a mentoring system for new students, and peer helpers are available as a first port of call for emotional, personal or academic difficulties. House committees, address the day-to-day needs of students with the option to refer to the house parent/ Student Affairs Office where warranted.

Our residence has Residence Liaison Officers who ensures that the rooms are properly maintained as well as other essentials for comfortable living are available and in good working order.
At Gatholo we have a reception during the day to deal with telephone calls, mails, general enquiries and maintenance issues gets reported here.

Our Students Affairs Department have a WhatsApp group that allows them to communicate all important information across all students and to assist in the evenings and over weekends. This ensures that there is always someone on call to handle any problems which may arise. Students are used in part time positions in the residences such as Internet Café assistants, student receptionists and vacation assistants which contribute to their income and also their occupational skills development.

WHAT TO BRING TO RES



•All student rooms/units in the residence, are equipped with basic furniture: fridge, microwave, stove, a bed, mattress, cupboard, study desk, study lamp, chair, and bookcase.
•Do not bring extra furniture, but do bring your own bedding (duvet, duvet cover, sheet, pillow, pillowcase) and towels. In addition, you may like to bring a rug, coffee mugs, an iron, radio, portable television, heater, plants, cushions, mattress protector, or anything that will make you feel at home. Posters or pictures for your walls also help.
•You must also bring a strong padlock for your door (a 40 mm Viro or Cisa with at least two keys is recommended).
•On arrival, please bring 2 passport-size photographs, which are needed for your bus card and your information card with personal details.
•A Centralised laundry facilities are available in our residence and are managed by a laundry operator to assist with the automatic machines. A system (Laundry card & Stamp) has been implemented for the use of the laundry facility. You will have to bring your own automatic laundry detergent.
•General cleaning services are provided so that all communal areas are kept clean daily in the residences. Students make their own beds, should keep their rooms clean and is responsible for the general cleanliness and hygiene in their flat. Students are required to bring their own: chemicals, mops, buckets, brooms, doom etc.
•Although the Tholo Res makes provision of emergency lights, you are also advised to bring a torch in case of a power cut. Candles are not permitted as they pose a serious fire hazard.
•You are expected to read the residence rule book which includes the General Rules & Policies as well as the rules and regulations. Ignorance of these rules is no excuse if they are broken.
In regard to what to bring to residence, it is important to note the following rules:
•You may not keep pets in any residence, house or flat.
•You may not use an electrical appliance which draws more than 1 kilowatt (1000 watts) of power. All appliances are labelled to indicate their energy usage.
•You are required to clear your room of all your possessions during at the end of the year.
•No storage facilities is currently available in residences.
•Because of space constraints, refrigerators cannot be stored during the end-of-year vacation periods.
•Please be mindful that the consumption of all utilities, especially electricity, needs to be extremely carefully managed. Switch off heaters, lights and computers when leaving your room.

THOLO RES
FIRST-YEARS CATALOG

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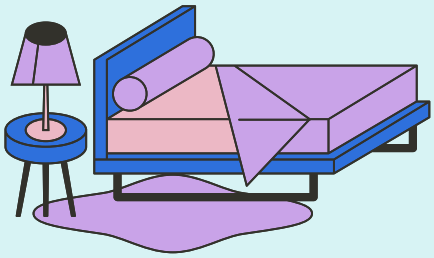
KITCHEN UTENSILS

Cutlery (spoons, knives, forks, etc)
Plates
Pots
Kettle



ROOM

Pillow
Duvet set 3 quarter
Towel and blanket
Laundry bag/basket
Curtain & Mat
Extension cord & Multiplug
Dustbin
Two locks



WELLNESS

Toiletries
Medical supplies



CLEANING PRODUCTS

Dishwashing soap
Dish Cloth
Handy Andy
Broom & Mop
Dustpan



AVAILABLE AT RES

Laundry Chamber
Transport
Recreational area
Internet café
Academy
Restaurant
Tuck-shop
24HR Security
Study lamps
Desk
Chair
Microwave
Stove
Fitted Cupboards
Bed
Fitted closet



INTERNET CAFE

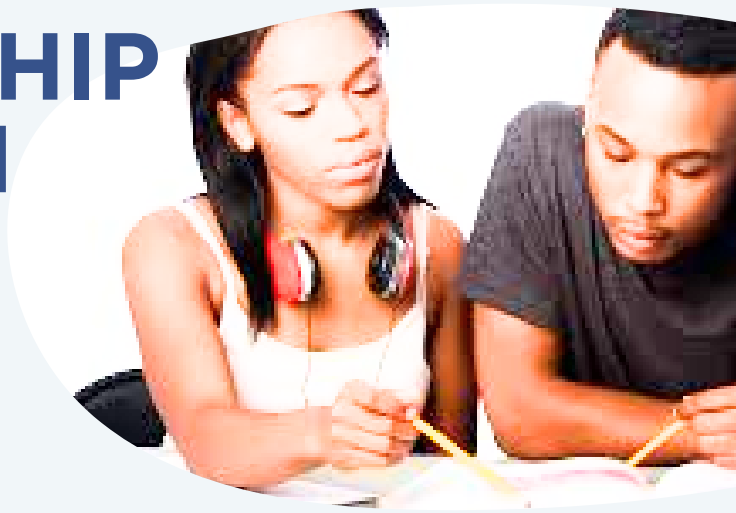
PC and internet access

•As coursework and research have increasingly required students to have access to computers and the intranet/internet, we have endeavoured to accommodate this requirement where practically possible.
•We have provided a combination of network points in individual rooms in residences and residence-based computer labs in the more remote sites.
•Not only do we offer you the opportunity to use the lab for study purposes, we also do the following service:

oPrinting
oCopies
oScanning of documents
oEmail
oLaminating
oBinding



PEER MENTORSHIP PROGRAM



We offer the following to help you not only excel in your studies, but in life too:

•Key to better learning skills.
•Tutoring
•Study materials from senior students
•Whatsapp groups of different faculties, to assist each other
•Communication

Attend our program, at YOUR convenience, FREE of charge, we can provide you with the tools to STUDY effectively;



SHUTTLE SERVICES

The Katlego Transport (Pty) service is available free to all students residing at Tholo Res. The fleet of buses operates between our residence and campus only.
A scheduled service is available on weekdays, weekends and holidays, both during term times and vacation. Should you request this service late at night or to travel to and from home, alternative arrangements can be made at additional cost.
Please contact the Student Co-Ordinator (Katlego Maetane) for more info 079 866 5960



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TRANSPORT

SECURITY



Security Services

- 24/7 security on guard
- Two patrolling systems
- Turnstiles with fingerprint lock system.
- Surveillance cameras and electrical fence.

Security patrol every hour around premises , to insure the safety of student



PARKING SPACE FOR STUDENTS

Students may park any motor vehicle on Tholo Res property with the exception of a motorcycle. A special parking disc needs to be purchased from the Tholo Res Security Office.

LAUNDRY FACILITY

•Being one of the largest accredited off campus residences, we are required to render this service free of charge.
•We are proud to say we have a state of the art, very modern laundry facilities on our premises.





LAUNDRY - Operating Hours:
Mondays:
12h00 – 16h00
Tuesdays & Thursdays:
06h30 – 14h30
Wednesdays & Fridays:
08h00 – 16h00
Every Sat & Sun:
08h00 – 14h00



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WORKSHOP`S

Tholo Res Cares initiave foundation of mental health awareness lies in the continuous effort we enable our students to see professional health care trainees and doctors and increasing general public knowledge of the importance of maintaining good mental health and well-being and sharing personal experiences, we can reduce the stigma surrounding mental health and seek treatment when we need it. Partnering with FOND foundation has helped us give students the previlege of having access to professional health care and services at no cost.



Ms Lerato Tshabalala

Founder of Fond foundation

Center:Ms Dineo Mosiane
Autism Awareness practioner



Psychologist

Dr Thabang Lebese

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We offer multiple programs (to help better equip these young adults) such as:

- **Blood drive with SANBS**
- **Shout it Now**
- **NPO`S such as FOND (Family Of Neurodevelopmental Disorders) Foundation and SADAC (South African Depression and Anxiety Group)**
- **Ambassadors for Change**



FOND
Family of Neurodevelopmental Disorders

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AMBASSADORS
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CHANGE

THOLO RES MANAGEMENT & HOUSE COMMITTEE TEAM BUILDING













HOUSE COMMITTEE 2025

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Marvin Setlhare
Block A Leader
CHAIRMAN



Lesego Mohale
Block B Leader
Treasurer



Phelisa Mbatha
Block C Leader
Desciplinary



Sibongile Mtambo
Block D Leader
Secretary



Antonio Jose
Block E Leader
Marketing & Entertainment



Tebogo Jenkins
Block F Leader
Desciplinary



Rose Shabalala
Block G Leader
Academics & Wellness



Reeneilwe Malemela
Block H Leader
Sports & Community Outreach



Mmathapelo Molefe
Block J Leader
Sports & Community Outreach



Onkarabetse Ramalepe
Block C Leader
Academics & Wellness

FOR ALL QUERIES, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR BLOCK LEADER

Please familiarize your self with your block leader on our whatsapp block groups.

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- *Tholo Res Your Home Away From Home*
- *This is our residence home for ALL our students*
- *Tholo Res is situated 1.8km from NWU, close to Mega City and Morena Mall (The Malls nearby) and transport.*
- *1016 students are housed in 1- and 2-bedroom self-catering flats.*
- *At Tholo Res we also have 40 bachelor flats available, please consult with the Student Affairs Office*
- *All flats are equipped with access to wifi*
- *Also available on this premises:*
- *A laundry facility for the students to use;*
- *Internet Café Facility;*
- *Peer mentorship Program*
- *Tholo Entertainment area and kitchen*
- *Tuck shop for your convenience as well as cooked meals;*



THOLO RES SPOTRS

- **Currently we have the best competing teams, bringing “home” Trophies and Medals!**
  - *Soccer*
  - *Netball*
  - *Table Tennis*
  - *Pool*
  - *Drafts*
  - *Darts*
  - *Voleyball*
  - *Athletes*
  - *Chess*











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