Information on University House Aobayama

University House Aobayama (announced in the 2017.4.1 issue of Gakusei Shien Dayori) will open its doors in October 2018. See below for details. Information on room applications will be posted on the Tohoku University website in May-June. A further announcement will be made when that information becomes available.

The University House (UH) dormitories provide housing for Japanese and international students, thus facilitating the development of an international outlook and intercultural understanding through daily interaction and fostering global human resources with overseas experience.

1. Address
Sendai-shi, Aoba-ku, Aramaki-Aza-Aoba 468-1
(5-10 min. walk from Sendai Tozai Subway Aobayama Station)

2. Capacity
752 bedrooms (94 units, 8 bedrooms per unit; includes 4 rooms (2 men’s, 2 women’s) for residents with disabilities)

3. Buildings
(1) Residents’ Rooms: Building 1 (6F), Buildings 2-6 (7F)
(2) Office/Interaction Building: Multipurpose Room
(exchange space), lounge, study room, office
(3) Grounds: Exchange Deck (outdoor exchange space), bicycle parking, sheds

4. Ratio of Japanese to International Students in Units
4.4 Men/Women; 440 men (55 units), 312 women (39 units)

5. Eligibility
(1) 1st year undergraduate and graduate Japanese students
   (However, residents will initially be accepted from other years as well)
(2) International students

6. Duration of Stay
   up to 2 years

7. Monthly Fees
   1. Boarding Fee
      JPY28,000
   2. Maintenance Fee
      JPY1,500
   3. Utilities (electricity, gas, water)
      Fees depend on usage
   4. Services provided to all residents
      (mandatory, include sales tax)
      - Bedding
      JPY2,000
      - Tableware/utensils
      JPY500
      - Floor mats
      JPY1,000
      - Dishcloths, towels, etc.
      JPY500
      - Internet Service Provider
      JPY1,500
      - Exchange Activities Fee
      JPY500
   Total for items 1 thru 4: JPY42,000~45,000
   5. Deposit
      (security deposit)
      JPY30,000
      (one-time payment made when moving in)

8. Interaction Plaza
   The plaza is over 400 square meters. It contains a multipurpose room, lounge, study room, vending machines, and a small convenience store. The multipurpose room and lounge can be partitioned, allowing the spaces to be adjusted as needed. The study room seats over 100, and is suitable for holding lectures etc.

9. Bedrooms/Open Living Rooms
   1. Bedrooms
      approx. 10㎡ (6 tatami mats), Open Living Rooms: 9.8㎡ per unit (per person)
   2. Room Furnishings
      desk, rolling shelf, chair, bookshelf, bed, closet, air conditioner, veranda etc.
   3. Open Living Room Furnishings
      Entrance, hallway, kitchen, shower room
      (shared by 2 rooms, w/changing room), toilets (shared by 3 rooms), laundry room
      (washing/machine), air conditioner, sink, induction cooker, counter, table
      (seats 8), chairs, refrigerator, microwave oven, rice cooker, television, vacuum cleaner etc.
   4. High Quality Living Environment
      The open living rooms and private bedrooms are furnished with a variety of necessities, enabling students to settle in easily as they begin their new campus life.

10. Safe and Secure Living Environment
    Upper floors are for women, while lower floors are for men. Entrances to each building and unit require an IC card for access. Bedroom doors use password locks. The university employs a contractor to provide 365-day /24-hour support, cleaning, security, handling of equipment breakdowns or malfunctions, and emergency response.

11. UH Student Advisors
    To help all new residents (especially 1st-year students) smoothly adjust to campus and dorm life, senior students are appointed to act as UH Student Advisors. Advisors are responsible for events such as welcome parties and excursions, and plan exchange activities for the residents, such as cooking parties, game tournaments, etc.