

WHERE TO LOOK

UVic Off-Campus Housing Website	http://housing.uvic.ca/offcampus/presearch.php
UVic Bulletin Boards around Campus	try the Clearihue or Continuing Studies Buildings
UVic Dormitories	http://housing.uvic.ca
Craigslist Classified Ads	http://victoria.craigslist.org/apa/
UsedVictoria Ads	http://www.usedvictoria.com – click on Real Estate
VarageSale	https://www.varagesale.com/victoria-bc-swap-shop/c/more-categories/real-estate/for-rent/all
Kijiji Victoria	https://www.kijiji.ca/b-for-rent/victoria-bc/c303490011700173
Property Management Companies (charge for services)	Brown Bros — http://www.brownbros.com Cornerstone Properties — http://www.cornerstoneproperties.bc.ca/ Devon Properties — http://www.devonprop.com/search.php3 Dutton & Co — http://duttons.com/ My Ideal Home Network — http://www.myidealhome.com/
Signs in windows or on lawns	

TYPICALLY CANADIAN

- Almost all apartments and houses for rent have a refrigerator, stove, central heating, and curtains or blinds – ask if the building has laundry facilities, an elevator, and a controlled entrance.
- No “key money” should be paid in Canada but usually a “damage deposit” is required which is normally half the monthly rent and cannot be more than the total monthly rent. This is refundable if everything is in good shape when you leave the apartment/house.
- Rent is usually paid on the first day of the month by cheque.
- You are required to give the landlord one month notice in writing (usually on the last day of the month) before you want to move out. For example, if you want to move out on February 28, you must give notice on or before January 31.
- It is customary to move out on the last day of the month (February 28) and to move in on the first day of the month (March 1).

PROCEDURE TO FOLLOW

1. Phone the number listed on the advertisement
 2. Ask about the expenses and important information (listed above)
 - a. If you don't like the answers, say, “Thank you, but I'm not interested.”
 - b. If you do like the answers, arrange a time to view the accommodation
 3. Time the trip from UVic to the apartment by bus.
 4. Look at the accommodation very carefully — Is it clean? Does it have everything you need?
 - a. If you don't like it, say, “Thank you, but I'm not interested.”
 - b. If you do like it, say, “Thank you, I'm interested. Can I think about it and call you?” Then look at other places and call the one you like the best. However, if you REALLY like it then let the landlord know and put your application in immediately.
- **PLEASE NOTE** — **DO NOT** give anyone money unless you get a business receipt or sign a rental contract.
 - **PLEASE BE SAFE!** We encourage you to always visit potential places to rent with a friend. Let friends and family know where you will be.