

Estates Policy Statement EPS1

Student Accommodation – Allocations

students searching for accommodation in the private sector.

New students

2. The security and community of a hall place is beneficial to those coming straight from school to University. The new young student is offered an opportunity to live in a community of other young new students who are also experiencing living away from home for the first time.

International and European Union students

3. The offer of a place in halls to students coming to an unfamiliar country to study for the first time must be a positive advantage in recruiting students to Middlesex University. The presence of international students with different cultural backgrounds in University halls adds to the total student experience. This must be balanced with the need to ensure that halls of residence do not become dominated by international students.

Students with special needs/disabilities

4. The University's policy of widening and deepening access places a responsibility upon the University to house students with special needs and disabilities where possible. Thus special consideration will be given to providing hall places for students with medical or other conditions, where such provision will

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5. The University normally allocates places in halls to full-time students who have the greatest need for the security and comfort offered by this type of accommodation in order for them to benefit fully from the educational experience offered at Middlesex University. Wherever possible, places will be allocated to those attending the University for the first time and who do not live locally.

The University will endeavour to make the first offers of places in halls for the following September intake, by the beginning of April each year. This date is governed by the requirements to formally agree both the rents and the tenancy terms and conditions by the end of January each year, then to be accepted and minuted by the Recruitment Operations Group and for the rents to be updated in the MISIS database.

Principles

6. The following principles will be used to guide the allocation of hall places:

- The University will aim to accommodate as many new full-time students requesting accommodation who are school leavers and whose parental homes are at least fifty miles from London, as possible.

- Normally, 100% of room places will be allocated to students coming to the University for the first time.

- All full year, fee paying international students (ie this assurance does NOT apply to EU/UK students) coming to Middlesex University for the first time at the start of the September academic year are guaranteed a place in halls providing that an accommodation application has been made with the non-refundable deposit by the published date each year. Failure to comply with these conditions will result in no place being guaranteed. Every effort

