

Students' Cooperative Inc.

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The Students' Co-op is a community of 28 women and men who share a three-story, 18-room, smoke-free, 1908-built stucco house near the University of Minnesota.

We share three bathrooms, three phones, a spacious living room, a large kitchen and dining room, a fireplace, a garden . . . as well as cleaning duties, maintenance, and organizational responsibilities.

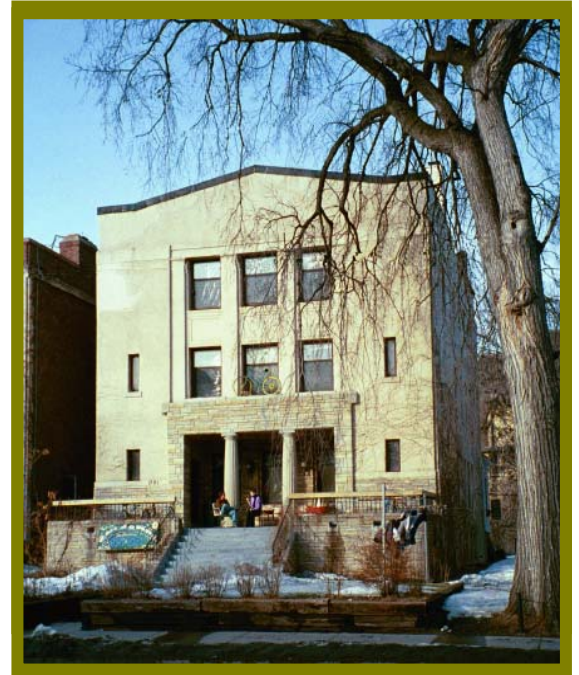
We share conversation, laughter, friendship . . . as well as decision-making, challenges, and growth that come from sharing our house, lives, and resources with each other.

We share a respect for others who may be different than ourselves and a respect for the natural world that sustains us.

If you would like to be a part of our community, please submit an application. We accept applications at any time, as openings arise throughout the year. We vote on applications received to determine whom to admit as space is limited.

Because we only require our members to give a 30-day notice before moving out, we cannot guarantee spaces to applicants more than a month in advance of openings. Our Recruitment Manager will notify you if you have been admitted. If you are admitted you will need to pay a deposit, plus the first month's rent, before moving in. Visit our website or email our Recruitment Manager if you have questions.

Thank you for your interest!



STUDENTS' COOPERATIVE APPLICATION

We recommend that you make a photocopy of your completed application for your records.

Please complete this application honestly and thoroughly. Make it interesting! Your application will be read (and hopefully enjoyed, laughed at, and cried over) by all current Co-op members. You're probably more complex than words on a page, but try to give a Sense of You anyhow! Admission to the Co-op depends upon space available and this application.

Name _____ Date _____
Phone () _____ E-mail _____
Date of Birth _____ Permanent phone () _____
Permanent address _____

What is your ideal move in day? _____

What is the date range that you would be willing to move in?

Anticipated length of stay: _____

Reserved for Office Use: Date: _____ Points: _____ ÷ Voters: _____ = Avg. Score: _____ Recruitment Manager Notes _____ _____ _____
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A. STUDENT LIFE

1. Are you a student? If so, what year are you?

___ yes ___ no

3. Where do you (or did you) attend school?

4. What is (or was) your major, or field of study?

5. What is the most interesting class that you have taken and why?

6. What are your goals (academic or other)?

B. HOUSING HISTORY

1. How did you find out about the Students' Co-op?

2. Why are you looking at the Co-op?

3. What other types of housing situations have you lived in?

4. Have you ever been evicted from a dorm, house, or apartment?

5. Please provide references for your two most recent housing rental situations on the next page. If unavailable, please explain below...

Name of rental company: _____
Contact person: _____
Phone () _____ E-mail _____
Rental address _____

Dates of residence _____

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Please sign below to authorize us to contact your rental references and perform a criminal background check. Your application will not be considered without this signature.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

C. BASIC CO-OP OBLIGATIONS

- Pay rent.
- Devote 2 hours weekly to a cleaning or managerial job.
- Devote 12 hours each semester to house maintenance.
- Devote one day each winter month to snow shoveling.
- Devote 3-4 hours one weekend night per academic term to kitchen cleaning.
- Attend house meeting at beginning of each semester.
- Follow all other house policies in a cooperative manner.

1. What do you think about these obligations?

D. APPLICANT INTERVIEW

1. How do you spend your time outside of school and work?

2. Members of the coop have diverse diets, from Twinkies to tempeh. Write about your diet and cooking habits.

3. What interests you spiritually, politically and philosophically?

8. How would you describe a life well-lived?

9. The coop has ten manager positions including maintenance, financial, and secretarial (read about them at our website). Tell us about your interest and skills in any of the managerial areas of the coop. While motivation is a vital factor in being a good manager, knowing how to operate financial software, tile a floor, or facilitate meetings is important as well.

10. Fill the space below or attach something that you are proud of. Be creative and select something that will tell us about you. The following is only a suggestion of what you could use to answer this question:

...Short story, website, picture, test, poem, photograph, essay, musical score, proof, or recipe.

I hereby certify all information contained herein is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's signature _____

Date _____

Thank you for your interest! All applicants are encouraged to visit the house or attend a board meeting.