Based on your visa status, you will receive an email from Student Services with a link to Roomspot. Roomspot is the regional housing portal, offering rooms made available by various housing providers. If you want unfurnished accommodation, you can directly create a Roomspot account and see all the unfurnished offers near UT. Please note that the UT Housing office does not mediate for unfurnished accommodations. We advise you to use the same email address for your Roomspot and OSIRIS account.

Please note that each housing provider has their own rules and regulations.

**CHECKLIST:**
- **ARRANGE VISA**
- **PAY VISA FEE AND TUITION FEE**
- **BANK STATEMENT**
- **PROOF OF SCHOLARSHIP (I/A)**

**IF YOU PREFER FURNISHED ACCOMMODATION YOU’LL FIRST HAVE TO UNDERGO A FEW STEPS BEFORE YOU CAN SEE OUR FURNISHED OPTIONS:**

**STEP 1 VISA**
Make arrangements to obtain your visa. You will receive an invitation for this from Student Services via email, with a link to your OSIRIS account.

**STEP 2 VISA FEE AND TUITION FEE**
If you’re an exchange student, you’re not required to pay tuition fee. Pay your visa fee and tuition fee. You will receive an email from Student Services with information about the amount and the bank account number.

**STEP 3 BANK STATEMENT**
Upload your bank statement in your OSIRIS account. If you have a scholarship, make sure you also upload proof of that.

**STEP 4 FURNISHED ACCOMMODATION**
After UT has received and verified all your payments, you will receive a confirmation by email ‘Visa financial requirements complete’. After this, UT will send you an email containing ‘Special offers available in Roomspot’. This email will inform you saying that you have been given access to the ‘Special Offer UT’ section. Now, you can log in again to Roomspot and get access to the furnished options by clicking on the ‘Special Offer UT’ button. So the sooner you sort out your visa, the sooner you can look for furnished accommodation.

**STEP 5 PREFERENCES**
Check the furnished accommodations on offer and apply for accommodations according to your preferences. Look out for factors such as the highest rental price, whether apartments are for men or women only, and whether bathroom and/or kitchen facilities are shared or not – as you don’t want to be offered apartment categories you will not be able or willing to accept. Also, check to see what is or is not included in the rent, as additional costs can vary from one housing provider to another on Roomspot. You can check these details under “description”.

**STEP 6 WAIT FOR AN OFFER**
The next step is to wait for an offer via email from Roomspot. Every student receives at least one, and a maximum of two, because there is a housing shortage. This means that if you reject an offer, you may not get a new one immediately; and if you reject two, you won’t receive any offers for two months. Therefore, it is important to check your email regularly and to keep an eye on the response deadline mentioned in the email offer. So make sure to react quickly.

**TIPS & INFO**
- Check your email regularly and note the mentioned deadline.
- Turning down two apartments means no offer for two months.
- You can start paying your lease six months prior to the start of the program.
- You can live in the apartment for a maximum duration of one year. Studying here longer? Make sure you arrange accommodation for the next year.

**QUESTIONS?**
Do you have any questions? Please let us know and we will be happy to help you. You can contact us via studentservices@utwente.nl or +31 53 489 2124. We hope you will have a good time studying at UT and that you will find a great place to live!