

## HUIS KERKENBERG (“KERKIES”)

### ROOM DESCRIPTION

Each resident is placed into a “pod” consisting of 8 single rooms, a communal kitchen and 2 bathrooms. Each room is equipped with:

- Cupboard space, desk and chair, bookshelf, bedframe and mattress, curtains (students are allowed to bring their own curtains if they wish), mirror, rubbish bin, panel heater, single network point and multiple plug points

### BATHROOMS –

There are 2 bathrooms in each “pod” with each containing a toilet, x2 basins and a shower.

### KITCHEN –

There is a kitchen available in each “pod” to provide the students with the space to store and prepare food. Every kitchen is equipped with x2 medium sized fridges, a microwave, hydro-boil, 4-plate stove, medium sized oven, a double sink and plenty of cupboard and drawer space for storage. Feel free to bring toasters, frying pans, etc. You can bring your own fridge, but there is enough space with the x2 fridges (already in the pod) to accommodate everyone.

### CONNECTIVITY

Each pod is equipped with a WiFi router. There are also WiFi routers in the Hub. No matter if you’re studying in your room or planning the next big Residence Event in the Hub, you can stay connected.

### LAUNDRY ROOM –

There is a Laundry Room available with washing machines and tumble dryers (x4 of each). Students can use the machines by loading “washing quota” onto their student accounts and then swiping their cards in the laundry room. Washing lines are also available. Just a reminder to bring your own washing powder, softener and pegs.

### KERKENBERG HUB –

The Hub is a central, multi-purpose “hall” equipped with tables and chairs for studying/hosting meetings, as well as a lounge chill-corner. It also houses our piano (a place where self-expression is celebrated). It is also the main social area in res... so table tennis tournaments are not uncommon.

### PARKING –

There are parking spaces allocated for our students. The security guards on duty do regular patrols around the building and parking areas. Students who own cars need to register their vehicles with the university at the beginning of the academic year, which entails a fee. A parking space on the premises is then allocated based on a system of credits.

### SPORTS FIELDS –

The campus rugby, soccer and volleyball fields are situated right next to Huis Kerkenberg. On campus are also 2 tennis courts, a gym and a swimming pool.

### BRAAI AREA –

The braai/social area is situated next to the Hub...the perfect spot to bring everyone together!

### STORAGE FACILITIES –

There is limited space available for students to store their belongings during student holidays.

### CLEANING SERVICES –

A private cleaning company has been hired by the University to clean the residence on a weekly basis. This includes taking out the dustbins, cleaning the kitchen floors and countertops, as well as cleaning the bathrooms and bedrooms (usually once or twice a week). This service does not include making beds and washing students’ dishes.

### SECURITY –

We are fortunate to have 24-hour security supplied by a private security company working together with the university’s own security services. The security personnel are renowned for their outstanding work in guarding the premises and ensuring the safety of the residents and their vehicles.

Students are reminded to bring their own padlocks for their doors.

## MEERHOFF (“MEERHOFFIANS”)

Meerhoff is a mixed residence of roughly 225 students. The layout consists of 8 residential units or “blocks”, two of which are for junior students and the remaining six for senior students. Each block has three floors; two for ladies and 1 for men. The junior blocks house only first and second year students. Within the junior blocks, there are 4 double rooms for first years and 6 single rooms for the second years per floor. As a first year, you will receive a double room and be assigned a roommate for the year.

The senior blocks comprise of eight single rooms per floor, each with an en-suite bathroom. Four of the blocks share a communal kitchen and dining area while the other two share a small kitchen between every two rooms. Students are allowed to apply for these rooms from the end of their second year of studies onwards at *Kamerskiet*.

Rivalry amongst the blocks is always wonderful to be a part of, as throughout the year each block competes for the ultimate title of *Inter block* champions of the year!

### **PARKING**

There is parking available at Meerhoff and students can apply for parking online when they register, however due to the demand for parking 1st year students may need to park in the peripheral parking area located at the Tygerberg Student Centre.

### **YOUR ROOM**

Each side of the room has a desk, chair, bookshelf, bed and a mattress, curtains, built in cupboard that can be padlocked and a computer network point for internet accessibility. The two sides of the room are divided by a small dry wall. There isn't a lot of storage space in the rooms so try not to bring too many unnecessary things with you, because in December you'll need to move out and take it all home with you (storage is organised).



### **THE FLOOR**

There is a communal space on each floor with a dining table and chairs where you and your floor mates can enjoy supper together or just chill a bit. The top two floors each have a small balcony where you can enjoy a cup of tea in the mornings.

### **THE KITCHEN**

Each floor has a communal kitchen and each student is allocated a food cabinet as well as fridge space. The kitchen is equipped with three large fridges, a stove and a microwave oven. Most floors share a kettle, toaster or mini-oven, so before buying one to bring with make sure that no one else has donated one for communal use!

**NB: Kitchen appliances may not be kept in bedrooms under any circumstances**

Most students choose to cook their own meals but daily pre-booked meals are also available at the Tygerberg Student Centre (TSS).



### **THE BATHROOMS**

Each floor has a communal bathroom, which has three closed showers, three toilets and three basins, as well as a deep silver basin to hand wash clothing in. This caters for the 14 residents per floor.

### **THE LAUNDRY ROOM**

A laundry room is available to all Meerhoff residents. Each student has the option of operating the washer and dryer themselves or allowing the on-site washing woman to do their washing at an extra cost for her services. The use of the machines is charged to your student account and you can load quota in the washing room itself (cash cannot be used).

## HUIS FRANCIE VAN ZIJL

Huis Francie is a women's only residence, and can accommodate 300 students. The residence is built in the form of a square.

The residence consists of four floors:

1. The Ground Floor mostly consists of common rooms, including the foyer, Post Room, Study Room, Prayer Room, Recreation hall, Archive, TV Room, HK Room, Washing Room and the Main Kitchen. The Residence Head / Facilitator lives on the ground floor and there is a senior corridor (for 2nd and 3rd years).

2. The second and third floor consist of two senior corridors and a junior corridor

\*\*\* Between the second and third floor on the mountainside there is another junior corridor.

3. The fourth floor has four corridors consisting of two senior corridors and 2 junior corridors

In total Francie has 12 sections/corridors. These sections each pair up with another section in residence and compete as a team against other sections in Intersection competitions.

### **\* Bedrooms**

There are 138 single rooms and 81 double rooms. Computer network connections are available in all of the rooms.

Each room has a large window, and a built-in working counter and closet, chair, bed and mattress.

### **\* Balconies**

The second, third and fourth floors each have 4 balconies - one at each end of a corridor. The balcony has a table at which the Huis Francie Ladies can sit and eat, study or just enjoy the surroundings.

### **\* Bathrooms**

Every floor has at least one newly renovated bathroom with showers, basins and toilets.

### **\* Kitchenettes**

Each floor has two kitchenettes, one on each end of the Western wing corridor. The kitchenette contains a convection oven, microwave, hydro boil, counter top, basin and power sockets. The residents use this space to prepare and warm their food.

### **\* Recreation hall**

The recreation hall is a large hall, which is used for various functions: house meetings, dance practice, sêr practices, etc. The hall also has a piano.

### **\* Visitors' lounges**

These ground floor areas are there for the ladies to entertain their guests

### **\* Kitchen**

The (main) kitchen has 2 stoves, 2 microwaves, 2 fridges, a hydro boil and 3 basins, which are available for all residents to use.

### **\* Washing room**

This room is equipped with 5 washing machines and 4 tumble driers. The use of these is controlled by a card-reader that deducts money from your student account to pay for the facilities. There is a person appointed by the University – to help you with the washing, should you be interested. The quad area has a washing line for everyone's use.

### **\* Quad**

Huis Francie has a beautiful quad with a lawn and garden area. This area can be used for relaxation purposes. Braai facilities are also available and it is sometimes utilised for events.

### **\* Computer rooms**

Two computer rooms are located on the Western side of the residence. They are equipped with 3 computers each, network connections and a printing point. It is available for use by all the residents of Huis Francie.

### **\* Study Centre (SS)**

The SS is located on the ground floor and is available for all Huis Francie Ladies to study in. Since the number of tables is limited, it works on a first-come-first-serve basis. There is Wi-Fi (as is on the whole ground floor) and two power points available.

### **\* Spiritual room**

This room is mainly used for religion-related events and can be booked in advance.

### **\* Archive**

The archive is a newly renovated space with couches and a large table with chairs. It is utilised for meetings and workshops and can be booked in advance.

### **\* TV room**

Huis Francie is proud to boast with its very own TV room. We have access to a selection of DSTV channels on a flat screen TV. Couches and beanbags are available.

## **Security**

Security measures include electronic doors at the front and back entrances: only Huis Francie residents' can access these doors with their student cards. There is an alarm system, which is connected to the campus security control room, and panic buttons and fire extinguishers are present in Huis Francie. Surveillance cameras cover the public areas.

## **Parking**

Students who own vehicles register their vehicles with the university at the beginning of the academic year, which entails a fee. A parking space on the premises is then chosen according to room points. First years get an opportunity to choose their parking space in alphabetical order. There is a boom at the entrance to the parking area for the safety of the vehicles, which is accessed with student cards.

## HIPPOKRATES (“KRATERS”)

Hippokrates is a mixed residence, built in a U-shape surrounding the quad. It houses 270 students spread across 6 floors (with exception of the ground floor), each divided into 2 sections. There are 5 female only sections, 4 male only sections and 1 mixed section. Each section comprises seniors in single rooms in the long passage, as well as juniors in double rooms in the short passage, making an ‘L’ shape. First and second-year students occupy double rooms and seniors, single rooms.

On the ground floor, we have the Prim, Vice-Prim and Resident Head accommodation, as well as 4 large rooms; foyer; the Raadsaal (boardroom for meetings); Spaza Shop; laundry room; multi-denominational prayer room and Study Centre.

### **BEDROOMS**

Each room has electrical wall plugs, a built-in cupboard, desk, a chair, a bed and mattress, curtains, a set of shelves, a mirror, a towel rack and a computer network point with internet access capabilities. In each double room, there is a set of the aforementioned for each student. You need to bring your own bedding, desk lamp and coat hangers.

### **BATHROOMS**

Each section has access to two bathrooms: one at the end of the short passage and another in the long passage. These bathrooms consist of toilets, urinals (in the male bathrooms), showers and basins.

### **THE CLUB**

A small hall adjacent to the quad with a bar, a Common Room with couches and a braai area, and a Music Room (with a piano)

### **LAUNDRY:**

The use of a laundry room is also available, equipped with washing machines as well as dryers. The cost of utilizing these machines is automatically charged onto your student account. These facilities are also available as a laundry service during the day, where you can leave your washing to be done while you are in class, at an extra cost.

### **KITCHENETTES**

Hippokrates does not have a dining hall where residents eat together. In each section, there is a Koffiekroeg (section area), with a table, chairs/couches as well as 4 stovetop plates and a sink where residents can prepare their own meals. The residents can keep microwaves, fridges and kettles in the rooms. The Cafeteria in the Tygerberg Student Centre provides a cheap and easy alternative to preparing your own meals. These prepared meals can be charged to your student account at very reasonable prices.

### **PARKING**

Parking facilities are available on campus close to Hippokrates. Students can apply for parking online when they register, however due to the demand for parking 1st year students may need to park in the peripheral parking area located at the Tygerberg Student Centre.

Telephone and fax facilities are available, and letters can be mailed to: Students NAME, Hippokrates, PO BOX 241, Cape Town, 8000.

The two entry points into Hippokrates are the front entrance, with student card access only and a car gate, which remains closed.

Hippokrates is a very welcoming residence with a lively and community-based atmosphere. We hold Innaweke (‘In-weekends’) during which we hold inter-section competitions and get to bond as a residence. We also hold dances, Critical Engagement and Student Development sessions, Cultural Evenings and many other events. We are very passionate about Sêr (Acapella singing competition) and generally love to produce a very high standard of work in everything we do. We strive to live by our values (Amity, Respect and Truth) in making the university experience an all-rounded and enriching one, for our Kraters to grow in every aspect and become future leaders in their various Health Professions.