

MESA COURT HOUSING INFORMATION

We will be staying in two buildings in the Mesa Court housing area at UCI. It's within very short walking distance of the Bren Center, where the seminar is being held.

DORMS

The rooms are basic college dorms. Each room consists of two beds, two desks, and two closet/ drawer sets. Some of the rooms have three sets of furniture instead of two, but there will be no more than two roommates to a room. There are no landline phones in the rooms. There is internet access through Ethernet ports in all rooms, but participants must bring their own Ethernet cables, they are not provided with the dorm rooms. Internet login information will be supplied at check-in. Unfortunately, the dorms are not air conditioned. However, the forecast for next week calls for temps in the low 80's during the day and mid to high 60's in the evenings. The dojo will be air conditioned.

Each person is supplied with 2 sheets, a blanket, a pillow and pillowcase, a bath towel, a hand towel, and a washcloth. These will be in your room when you arrive and can be left there when you leave.

There is at least one men's and one women's bathroom per floor. Each bathroom has two toilets, two sinks, and two showers. There is a communal kitchen/ study area in each building as well as a living room area with a TV. Each building also has it's own laundry room. Washers and dryers are coin operated. There is a change machine in the Conference Housing Office.

Participants should be aware that the Conference Assistants (C.A.s) will be making duty rounds within an hour after the Mesa Court Conference Office closes each evening. They are checking to make sure the building is secure and outside doors are closed. Of course people can come and go as they please, everyone will be issued a key for the building they're staying in as well as their individual room. The checks are just to make sure no outside doors are left propped open overnight.

MEALS

The first meal that will be served is dinner on the day of arrival, and the last meal will be lunch on the day of departure. We will be eating in the Mesa Commons, which is right across the street from the Bren Center. Each participant will be given a meal card when they check in for housing. They swipe this card as they enter the Mesa Commons eating area and can then help themselves to any of the available food. They can only swipe the card once for each meal period.

Meal periods are as follows:

Breakfast: 7am – 8:30am

Lunch: 11:30am – 1pm

Dinner: 5pm – 7pm

These hours are the same, Monday – Sunday.

For those who arrive at or before lunch time, there are plenty of places to buy lunch on campus, or at the shopping center across the street from the university, but as mentioned, the first meal served at the dorms will be dinner on the arrival day. For a list of the eating and shopping venues at the University Center, go to http://www.shoptheirvinecompany.com/NeighborhoodCenters/Center/University_Center.aspx

CHECK IN

Housing check-in will take place at the Mesa Court Conference Office from 8am to 8pm. Seminar check-in will take place in front of the conference office. For participants arriving during off-hours, we will coordinate with the person picking you up at the airport to make sure you receive your room key when you get in. For people who are driving themselves, we would greatly appreciate it if you could arrive between 8am and 8pm. If this is not possible, call 310-400-2739 when you arrive to receive your room key.

CHECK OUT

At the end of the seminar, dorm checkout will also take place at the Mesa Court Conference Office. For Saturday departures, you can check out between 8am and 8pm. For Sunday departures, the checkout deadline is 1pm. The housing office opens at 8am, but we will be making special arrangements for those who are checking out early Sunday morning.

PARKING

Overnight parking for the week costs \$45. We have a limited number of spots reserved in a lot next to the Bren Center. Everyone who has already paid their \$45 for parking has a spot reserved. We will continue selling parking permits at the seminar check-in table until we run out of spots. After this, participants will have to go to the parking office and purchase their own permits. We may have a few pre-purchased parking permits available on a first come first served basis. Otherwise, the parking office is open Monday – Friday, 7:30 – 4:00. Overnight parking permits can only be purchased through us or through the parking office during business hours.