



DEUSTO HALL OF RESIDENCE

Principles and Regulations

I. Mission of the Deusto Hall of Residence

The Deusto Hall of Residence is a centre run by the University of Deusto and owned by the Society of Jesus. It offers its services to students, lecturers and people linked to the university education field.

- It promotes students' personal development by providing quality accommodation and a learning and study environment.
- It fosters coexistence, mutual help, the responsible use of freedom, responsibility and participation, thanks to the commitment and availability of all the staff at the Institution.
- It helps every Hall member to discover and outline a project that can give meaning to their lives.

It is committed to the continuous improvement of its service with the help of all the Hall's community members.

The Deusto Hall of Residence was recognised by Ministerial Order of 18 February 1961.

II. Values and Attitudes promoted by the Deusto Hall of Residence

The motto of the Deusto Hall of Residence "To Love and Serve" underpins the guiding principle that should inspire Hall life. The aims of the Deusto Hall of Residence stem from its definition as a Christian-inspired university centre. It therefore wishes to promote:

- **A sense of community, listening, tolerance and active respect** through coexistence and participation in Hall life.
- **Responsibility and the habit of work** through professional dedication to study.
- **Mutual help and teamwork** both in academic work and development of initiatives and in the welcoming and personal support between colleagues.
- **Responsible freedom** in the use of time and materials, taking responsibility for one's own actions.
- **Reflection**, enabling each person to design a life plan in accordance with their aims and give it a transcendent meaning.
- **Social commitment** aimed at encouraging participation and a sense of citizenship, taking on tasks and initiatives that help enrich and improve the Hall's community and our environment.
- **The development of all personal capacities** to put them at the service of others.
- **The maturing, development and celebration of faith** for those who wish so.

III. Study and Learning

- **Study** is at the heart of Hall life. It is the responsibility of the entire Hall's Community to provide and maintain an atmosphere conducive to study. Therefore, students will be required to fulfil their academic duties and behave in a manner which helps create a good study environment. It is the Hall's mission to contribute to students' all-round education. This will be achieved with **everyone's active involvement** in the running of **educational activities**.
- Religious education will be provided to those students who wish so, with the utmost respect for individual freedom.
- **Social awareness.** Everyone should aim to become more aware of social realities and participation in some direct social activity would be desirable. Hall life will promote true friendship, service to others and social responsibility.
- The human richness of **coexistence**. Coexistence has a number of advantages, while at the same time placing a number of constraints on the individual actions of each Hall member. The advantages of living together are: dealing with a variety of people of diverse characters and beliefs, the human enrichment that this entails, the atmosphere of companionship, mutual help and sincere friendship. And yet, living together also sets limits in terms of respect for other people's personalities, schedules and occupations.
- Cultural, recreational and sporting activities must be made compatible with the dedication to one's own career. The participation of Hall members in the various activities is carried out through the **committees** created for this purpose.
- Meetings or events must be convened by the Management team.

IV. Hall Rules

- The Deusto Hall of Residence places community life at the forefront of its activities.
- The distinctive features the Deusto Hall of Residence cannot be imposed, but must be freely accepted by the Hall members. It therefore requires adherence to its aims. An atmosphere of freedom will prevail in the Hall, together with basic rules of coexistence designed to achieve its aims.

Use of communal facilities

- The use of communal facilities shows the extent to which we have developed our social responsibility. This is evidenced by their respect for them and, in particular, by the care and cleanliness of the rooms, where students spend most of their time together.
- Those responsible for any damage caused by improper use of the Hall's property will be responsible for repairing the damage. In the event that they are not identified, the amount will be prorated among all the students on the same floor, and will be deducted from the deposit.

Rooms

- Each student will be allocated a room, which must be kept tidy and clean. The arrangement of objects and furniture should not prevent proper cleaning tasks from being carried out. Each student is responsible for the upkeep of his or her room and its furnishings.
- Tampering with fire detectors and any other safety devices is prohibited.
- Any necessary repairs should be requested at the Reception using the relevant forms.
- Refrigerators, radiators, fans and any other type of electrical appliances may not be placed in the room without the express authorisation of the deputy manager.
- Room changes should be requested to the management team, who will take the relevant decision.

Timetables

- All students must get up at the time required by their academic obligations and, in any case, must not hinder the Hall's employees in their cleaning and maintenance tasks.
- During the first term, first-year students must return to the Hall before midnight on the eve of working days, and may arrive at 3.30 a.m. on Fridays and the eve of public holidays. For the rest of the academic year, just as for second year students, they must be back at the College before 3:30 on the eve of working days, the time of return being at their discretion on Fridays and the eve of holidays. Older students may decide, in accordance with their responsibilities, the time at which they arrive at the Hall at night. Once there, they should go to their rooms, taking care not to disturb those who had already retired to their rooms. The Hall's management team may take action against those who exceed their schedules or arrive in inappropriate conditions and, if necessary, take other personal measures.
- After 24:00 hours, all students arriving at the Hall must check in at Reception.

Absences

- Students who are absent for a weekend will be required to inform the Reception staff of their destination and deposit the key to their room. If you wish to spend a night away from the Hall of Residence, you must inform the Management team.

Visits

- Any person from outside the Hall should be welcomed in the Reception by the Hall member. All persons from outside the Hall must leave it after 23:00 hours.
- Visitors are not allowed to eat or use the sports facilities and study rooms at the Deusto Hall of Residence.
- Guests must always be accompanied by the relevant Hall member.
- Fellow students can be invited to study in the group work rooms.
- No males, except for residents' relatives, will have access to the floors dedicated to girls' rooms, and vice versa.

Parties

- Holding any kind of celebration, dinner, birthday, etc. at the Deusto Hall of Residence must have the approval of the Management team, taking care to avoid excessive preparations or planning, and in any case respecting the rest of the Hall members.

Silence

- All students have the right to have their study and rest hours respected. Silence is a necessary requirement for this, especially after 23.00 hours. Repeated failure to comply with this rule is considered serious misconduct.

Conduct

- Hall members and staff should always treat each other with respect. Complaints about any service should be addressed exclusively to the Management team. You can also use the "Suggestions" forms
- Everyone should ensure that the groups to which they belong remain open to the Hall community.
- All students should appear in public in proper dress and appearance, especially in the Dining Hall.
- Any attitudes and activities that are contrary to the spirit of the University Hall of Residence because of their content will not be accepted. These include: abuse of seniority, which may lead to temporary or permanent expulsion from the Hall of Residence; consumption of alcohol in the Hall; gambling; possession and use of drugs; throwing objects; damaging the equipment or others' possessions, etc.
- In compliance with the law, smoking is not permitted in the Deusto Hall of Residence.

Integration of new Hall members

- Any attitude on the part of those who, already aware of the reality of the Hall life, would put a strain on the arrival of new residents is seriously detrimental to Hall life. Any actions that lead to embarrassing situations, hindering coexistence and study, will be considered a very serious offence by the Deusto Hall of Residence.

Conduct contrary to these rules

Non-observance of the above rules, either occasionally or on a continuous basis, will be reprimanded by the Hall's Management team in accordance with the relevance and recurrence of such situations. Such a reprimand may take the form of a verbal comment, a formal reprimand, a message to the family, an expulsion notice or even expulsion itself, if the circumstances so require and always on a case-by-case basis.

V. Accommodation Renewal Criteria

Before the end of each academic year, students will be required to apply for renewal of their place if they wish to do so. Any previous period of stay at the Deusto Hall of Residence does not necessarily imply a renewal for the following academic year.

The overall situation of the student will be taken into account, paying special attention to the following aspects: academic study, community life, participation and personal development.

- Renewals will be decided during the months of June and July, except in exceptional cases.