

## Housing and Relocation Recommendations Responses for the Housing List

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1. Calibre Lake Apartments

http://www.calibrelake.com/ 100 Calibre Lake Parkway S.E. Smyrna, GA 30082

Phone: (770) 438-9300 Fax: (770) 438-9789

Email: info@calibrelake.com

Smyrna

This is a nice, quiet complex (if you like to study at home like me). I have a large 1 bedroom that is 1040sq ft and is only \$759 / month. There is a "sunroom" that we turned into an office. The staff is really friendly. It's nice being 15 minutes out of the city, but you are not very close to where most of the other students live. Also, you have to drive to the mailbox and trash compact because they are not walking distance.

2. Alexan MetroWest

http://www.alexanmetrowest.com/ 1040 Huff Rd NW Atlanta, GA 30318 T: 877.990.3174

F: 404.367.9399

I have a 1 bedroom 1 bath apartment but they also have lofts and 2 BR apartments. I got a discount when I moved in and pay \$859 a month plus \$20 for trash valet (it's required). However, the rate now unless they are still offering deals is \$925/month. I love the complex; the staff is really friendly and helpful. They have a gym

(fairly good sized and all new equipment). There is a really nice pool and 3 other great courtyards (1 is a dog park). Every courtyard has a gas grill that is available for anyone to use. It's secure and has gate-access parking garages. There are 4 buildings (2 smoking and 2 non-smoking). The buildings are only a year old so all appliances and everything is new. The location is great, less than 5 minutes from Atlantic Station and 10-15 minutes from school. I would definitely recommend the apartment. \*Added plus if you do have a pet there is only a one-time \$500 pet fee no monthly pet rent

3. The Village at Lake Park

www.thevillageatlakepark.com 2085 Lake Park Dr SE Smyrna, GA 30080-7698 P: (404)586-4757

Fax: (770) 438-0327E:

villageatlakepark@greystar.com

Contact Information: Elana (770)805-1714

I have a studio but one and two bedroom apartments are available. My rent is \$478/month (with utilities my total is \$700/month).

I like my apartment complex and I would definitely recommend it to the incoming students. It is a very affordable, clean, and quiet place to live. It is only a 15 minute drive from school and I don't have any issues with traffic. The staff is very helpful and addresses my issues in a timely manner. There is an athletic club and trainers available for those who exercise on a regular basis. Also, the complex has 6 pools and tennis courts along with a 2 mile walking trail. I really don't have anything negative to say about The Village at Lake Park.

Mattress Factory Lofts

http://bradenfellman.com/apartments/mattressfac

300 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr SE,

Atlanta GA 30312 Phone: (404) 659-7988

Bedroom/Bath: 1br/1ba Rent: \$890

**Square Feet:** 900-1000 Amenities: Rooftop decks, pool, small gym, very close to MARTA. There are many artists that live/ work in the building so there are art shows every month. I love living here, but will be moving because I am not there enough to enjoy it and it really doesn't fit into my budget.

## 4. Misty Creek Apartments

3145 Misty Creek Dr. Decatur, Georgia 30033 (404) 299-3015

If you look it up online, everything should be there.

#### Pros:

\* Really nice apartment

- ❖ 695 per month 800+ sq. feet,
- Quiet neighborhood.

#### Cons:

- Distance from school
- Electricity for me is high

But overall, I like it.

## 5. Cascades Housing

Benjamin Mays Ave Atlanta, GA (813) 728-0676 Rbrown44@gmail.com

It's a 2bed/2.5bath, 1410sq ft with 2 floors. I will be renting the condo out for \$950-1000 (or \$450-500 per roommate). I live alone but there is more than adequate room for roommates.

I like this complex because of easy access to pool area, club house, and great access to the high way. It is quite, safe and spacious. The complex is not completely built and there is some unfinished land; however the HOA regularly maintains this space. I would recommend to classmates (one of my classmates lives next door).

#### 6. Atlantic Station Element

Condo the middle of Atlantic Station mecung@msm.edu

#### For lease:

It is less than one block walking distance to Publix, Target, shopping and restaurants including Geisha House and Cheesecake Bistro. It has one bedroom, 1 bath and a balcony. It is 957 sq. feet with view of Zen fountain garden and picnic area. Amenities of the complex: Pool,

workout room, common room, concierge, easy access to public transit, free shuttle to MARTA from 5:30am - 1am. Amenities of the unit: Second floor unit with granite countertops, dark finished cabinets, new appliances, garden tub with separate shower, pets welcome with non-refundable pet deposit, 100sq foot onsite storage unit available. I am asking for \$1025/month (\$1100/month with storage unit). Available April 15 2011. More photos available by request.



## 7. Villages at Carver

Tell them DO NOT live at the Villages at Carver!

# 8. Eastland Gates pmello@msm.edu

I'll be looking for a roommate or two students (depending on if I match in Atlanta) to rent my two bedroom town home later this year. It is called, gated community with swimming pool and other amenities in Southeast Atlanta of

Moreland. It's about 10 minutes from campus, and even closer to Grady Hospital. It has 2 bedrooms and 2.5 baths with 1 car garage. Rent will be about \$600 each student with some utilities included depending on if I stay. Please contact me at my school e-mail if you are interested.

9. Walton on the Chattahoochee http://www.waltoncommunities.com/chattahoochee/

Walton on the Chattahoochee Apartments 6640 Akers Mill Rd.

Atlanta, GA 30339 **Phone:** 770-203-0914 tharden@msm.edu

I live in a 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with no roommate for \$700/month. I would definitely recommend this place to friends. I've lived here for 3 years and never thought about wanting to leave. I hope this was helpful. Feel free to give me a shout if you have any questions. Good luck

## Pros:

- 1. Staff is awesome. They are timely, helpful, and very friendly.
- 2. Nice neighborhood, very quiet
- 3. Coffee shop in the complex is a great place to study

## Cons:

- 1. Kitchen is small.
- 2. No washer/dryer hookup. There are facilities on the grounds though

I also recommend going to Promove for anyone trying to move into an apartment in Atlanta. It is a free apartment locator service. All you do is give them an area (ex: close to MSM) and a price range, then they will look up apartments that fit your needs. Another benefit is that they already have good relationships with the apartment complexes and can often get you better rates or at the least discounts on applications fees, etc. Their website is <a href="https://www.promove.com">www.promove.com</a>. Check it out for more info.

### 10. House for rent

Address: Providence Place 2555 Flat Shoals Rd, unit 1503 Atlanta, GA 30349

Email: kkelly@msm.edu

I don't have an apartment. I own a home that is for rent. It's a 3bd/2.5 bath town house in south Fulton County. A few Morehouse med students lived here in the past. Morehouse grads live in the area.

Rent: \$1100 or best offer (\$550/person)

11. Peachtree Park Apartments

http://www.peachtreeparkapartments.com/ 1000 Peachtree Park Dr NE Atlanta GA, 30309 404-720-5789 Good for 2 students who want to live together.

#### Pros:

- ❖ Very quiet,
- pooled community,
- Very close to the airport

#### Cons

not gated, although gate and fenced perimeter will be installed in next year and a half.

2 Bedrooms/2 Baths

Rent: 788 - \$955 (Student discounts are given). I live alone. I love the space and the surrounding community.

## 12. Glenwood East Apartments

http://www.liveatalliance.com/glenwoodeast/index.aspx
390 Stovall St SE
Atlanta, GA 30316
Fax: (404) 622-3743
Contact Info: Henrietta Akintoye,
hakintoye@msm.edu

(404) 627-4390

Its set in a beautiful, safe community, is an approx. 5 min drive from school (you save a ton on gas), and the rent prices are competitive for the quality of apartment you receive. The apartments were built about 3 years ago; so many apartments are brand new for the renter (a lot of people just moved in recently, so if an available apartment isn't brand new, most likely, one person leased the apartment before you). I'd suggest living in a 2 bedroom apt with a roommate- it saves you a lot more money. There are 1 and 2 bedrooms apartments available; the one bedroom go from \$825 and up, and the 2 bedrooms run from \$1159 and up. As far as cons are concerned, my only complaint would be that the walls are thin enough for you to hear the person either above or below you, or at times, someone yelling. I have experienced a

few loud arguments, and the people above me have a dog, so I can hear the dog running around and barking at times. The solution to this is either to try to get an apartment on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor (top floor) to minimize overhead noise, or to get earplugs for times when there are issues that you might be able to avoid (i.e. someone stomping for a few seconds). Also, before your move, you can check in with the office to see if the person above you owns a pet. Despite the noise issues, however, the front desk is very good at dealing with complaints. If there is loud music, arguments, or noises that are unacceptable, you can call the front desk or the courtesy officer (outside business hours) and they will go to the door of the suspected noise, or look around to find where the noise is coming from, and/or call the person making the noise and ask them to turn down the volume. Offenders are penalized with warnings, leading up to an eviction status, so if you like to make noise this may not be for the place for you!

Cons: However, noise issues have never been aggravating enough for me to not want to live in my apartment. Staff is just as concerned about eliminating noise as you are, and they are very active in eliminating those issues.

Again, contact me if you're considering this place, if you'd like further information, or would

like pictures of my apartment. I would definitely recommend Glenwood East, you'll definitely enjoy your stay here.

## 13. Morgan Place:

http://www.morganplaceapts.com/Features.a spx
1680 Chantilly Drive, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30324
866-850-2836

I had a one bedroom one bath, walk-in closet, washer dryer, living room, kitchen and a patio +storage closet for \$800 (but that was a few years ago so the prices probably increased by now). They also have 2-3 bedroom apartments as well. The apartment complex was in a safe area, very quiet, includes a pool and a small

gym, and a free car-wash station. The location was convenient...close to Lenox Mall, a short trip from downtown and about 15-20 min from MSM...the only drawback was the morning rush hour traffic trying to get on I-85 but after a while it's easy to gauge the best time to leave to get to class on time. The other pertinent negatives about the place I did have a few encounters with crawly creatures of nature...(Not cockroaches but just random beetles and other Atlanta bugs...it wasn't a big deal though - only about 3 or 4 times in the year and a half that I lived there did I encounter a random bug scurrying across the floor).

#### Cascades Townhomes

http://www.myatlantacondo.net/Townhomes2 JFrancois@msm.edu

Currently I reside at Cascades townhomes. They're mostly 2 story homes. The basic town home is 2-3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths (master bedroom has shower, tub, and walk-in closet). Kitchen, dining area, den, breakfast bar, hardwood floors, carpet. The larger homes have a separate dining room, 3-6 bedrooms, a garage and a patio or deck. There are homes for sale and some for rent as well. Gated community-(CAVEAT: where-ever you are looking to live don't let the gate be the ultimate factor...a gate is a deterrent but does not guarantee of "maximum safety"...also you have to consider why the location needs a gate in the first place. It could be an indication of an unsafe location. I've lived in gated and non-gated communities and the gate was not the determinant of my safety. FYI). I've felt safe for the most part, there have been a few break-ins and car thefts however with proper

safety precaution measures (i.e. don't leave unoccupied vehicle running with the driver's door open while you run inside to get something, and always lock your front door and turn on the alarm system). I've lived here over a year and have not experienced personal theft or anything of that nature. It's a pretty quiet area. There is a community pool with a club house that can be rented, an outdoor BBQ area, basketball court, tennis court, Dog Park, and a local outdoor track. It's about 15min from campus where I-285 and I20 meet (near Cascades skating rink...yes the exact same one that's in the movie ATL:-)

\*\*FOR FUTURE REFERENCE: In 2012 I might be renting the house: 2 bedroom, 2.5 baths, washer, dryer, dishwasher, all utilities included. \*\* Keep this in mind in case you are looking to move next year.

Hope this information helps someone. Best wishes on your med school journey! :-) - JFrancois@msm.edu

Southwood Vista Apartments www.southwoodvista.com

2100 Southwood Blvd Off of Campbellton Pkwy Atlanta, GA 30331 Phone: 404-346-5507

Fax: 404-346-5523

1 Bedroom/1 Bath \$659/month (However, my unit was supposed to be \$699. Market price is much higher either way) I would recommend the place if you don't mind the drive Live alone

#### Pros:

- Nice apartments
- **❖** All electric
- Gated
- Direct connection to fire department
- Sprinklers in every room
- **❖** Fire extinguisher
- Study desk area

❖ Balcony w/ storage

#### Cons:

- Sometimes a pain to get on to the main road (no traffic light so have to wait for cars to pass before merging which can take a while... especially If you're late for a test)
- Gate closes very quickly/no gate arm
- Utilities contracted through Conservice (I feel like bills would be cheaper, otherwise)
- Neighbors above me walk with very heavy feet
- Commute to school is sometimes met with horrible glare from the rising sun in the mornings

## 14. Wellington Pointe Apartment

50 Maner Terrace Se, Smyrna, GA 30080

I live in a one bedroom one bath, 873sqft. When I moved in the price was 599/month but it has gone up to 680\$ now (it may go down again in the summer, I'm not sure). I love the inside of my apartment it's a great size and has lots of closet/storage space.

Maintenance has always responded to any request I've had within a day. The complex is gated and I feel relatively safe. The front desk staff is very nice (Felicia was great when I moved in). The only thing that could be questionable: I have received to notices over the past 8 months about attempted home invasions somewhere in the complex. Overall I would recommend the complex.

## 15. Alexander on Ponce

144 Ponce De Leon Ave NE, Atlanta, GA 30308 (www.equityresidential.com) http://www.equityapartments.com/georgia/at lanta-apartments/midtown-apartments.aspx

## Studio, 1-Bedroom, 2-Bedrooms

Cost of the apartment: \$715 - \$1200 (Depending on availability, sq. footage, and time of year)

#### Pros:

Safe Neighborhood – Near Piedmont Park (approx. 0.5 miles away) – Near a MARTA Station (North Ave.) – Near Attractions (i.e. Art, Music, etc.) --- Very good location considering my interests

10 – 15 minutes from school (Streets/Interstate)
– Parking Garage – Very Low Noise Level from Neighbors

#### Cons:

Washer/Dryer not provided in every unit.

#### 16. Piedmont Apartments

http://450piedmont.prospectportal.com/ 2115 Piedmont Rd NE Atlanta, GA (888) 983-6826

I like it a lot (lived here for three years now). It's about 7-8 blocks down from Grady Hospital, so I get there in 1-2 min. It is a one bedroom/one bath townhome that has its own garage, all appliances. It was \$980.00 a month for me, but it may be cheaper now. Two of my friends lived in a 2 bedroom/2Bath in the same complex and paid \$1140.00. The staff is

friendly, and they never went up on my rent during the three years. Only downside is that there is a homeless shelter behind the complex, but we've never had problems from people staying at the shelter. There is only one break-in that I'm aware of during my three years. It is completely gated, and has gate card access. It is close to the Fox Theater, Atlanta Civic Center, etc., and other mid-town/downtown attractions. I would recommend the complex to others. I think living on my own my last 3 years worked, because I was able to study when needed without distraction.

## 17. Ashley West-End Apartments

717 Lee Street SW Atlanta, Georgia 30310 877.661.7605

I live in a 1 bedroom/1 bathroom apartment with no roommate. I pay \$690 a month. Management is pretty nice and

helpful. I like the fact that it comes with washer and dryer, the MARTA is across the street, and it is close to the school. I don't really have much dislikes about it. I haven't run into any issues to this point. If the student doesn't mind living in the west-end area, the apartment complex itself is a good choice I think.

#### 18. Magnolia Vinnings

2151 Cumberland Pkwy Atlanta, GA 30339.

It was a three bedroom, two bath apartment with a large living room, also a dining room and a descent size kitchen. It's about 15min from Grady and 20min from school right off 285. Rent is \$1132 and I had a classmate as a roommate so we split it in half. The

complex has a pool, a gym, washer dryer and is gated. I thought it was ok but the staff tends to procrastinate when it comes to maintenance issues (example: my roommate's toilet kept overflowing but they refused to change it and would just send maintenance to check it w/o doing anything. We also had something die in the walls of the apartment and it took forever for them to properly address it). I hope it helps.

## 19. Townhouse

796 Liberty Commons Dr. Atlanta, GA 30314 Anthony Floodanthony\_flood@hotmail.com

I am a third year family medicine resident at Morehouse and I was told that you are a good person to contact regarding rental possibilities. My property is at 796 Liberty Commons Dr. Atlanta, GA 30314. It is a three bedroom townhouse with three and a half bath and 2 car garages. Although it is a three bedroom, I would prefer to have a maximum of two renters. That being the case the price is negotiable and I am looking at \$1500 - \$1800/mos. Utilities are not included

20. Dr. Darko, chief resident of MSM surgery, has matched in trauma in Miami. He lives in the same complex as I do and is looking for 3 people to rent his 3 bedroom 3 story apartment homes in Mableton. Apartment home is located TEN MINUTES from the school and 3 minutes from six flags. The exit is Fulton industrial on I-20W.

## Description:

3 bedrooms and 3 1/2 baths: 1 master bedroom w/ full bath; 2 large rooms with 2 full baths. All rooms are nicely stocked with spacious closets and apartment home has 2 extra spacious closets.

Gated Community with 2 gate openers 1 car garage; driveway space for 2 other cars Washer/Dryer Units Black Modern Refrigerator Black Modern Oven Range Top Microwave ADT Security System Sun Deck with grill space Lawn Care and Landscaping Pest/Termite Control Trash Pickup

As far as 3rd year, you could not live in a better location. It is 12 minutes to Grady, and I-285 is 2 minutes away for pediatrics clinical rotations, etc.

Please email me back with any questions, and we will begin to step up times for home viewing. Prices for the rooms are listed below:

Master: \$730 - 750

2 other bedrooms: \$630 - 650

\*\*The above amounts include all costs besides internet/cable if you choose to include that\*\* - mmatthew@msm.edu

## 21. Magnolia Vinings

2151 Cumberland Parkway Southeast Atlanta, GA 30339-4590 (770) 801-3600

Open Weekdays 9am-6pm; Sat 10am-6pm www.**magnoliavinings**.com

3 bedroom/2 bath \$1132 With a roommate Likes: Very beautiful apartment. Lots of space. Bay windows. Right off of I-285/I-75

Dislikes: Perfect until something goes wrong. Problems such as odor from our walls and malfunctioning toilet were addressed but never fixed. Try not to get an apartment facing I-285. (Got use to hearing the cars pass by, but ideally, avoid this)
I would recommend this apartment complex.

## 22. Brookwood Valley

2035 Peachtree Road Northeast Atlanta, GA 30309 (404) 352-1013

## www.brookwoodvalley.com

1 bedroom/1 bath \$799

No roommate

Likes: It's in Buckhead which is a great location that is right off Peachtree Rd. The appliances are

nice appliances and repairs done in a timely manner.

Dislikes: It is expensive but great price for location and single. It's a little on the smaller side and it behind a slightly shady high rise. I would recommend this apartment complex.