

Visitor Protocol at Academia

General

1. Academia recognizes that inviting friends to one's place of residence and creating a social circle is very much part of student life and contributes to student wellness. We encourage that.
2. It is important that the presence of visitors on the Academia premises does not present a security risk or inconvenience to other residents. No visitor will be allowed to visit Academia other than in accordance with these rules.
3. Residents remain responsible for the behaviour of their visitors at all times. Residents are reminded that visitors are subject to the Academia Code of Conduct (including Quiet Time Rules) and University Regulations.
4. We reserve the right to deny access to a visitor at our discretion.
5. These rules remain subject to the overriding rules and regulations of Stellenbosch University and any government regulations, including those addressing Covid-19, as these may change from time to time.
6. We reserve the right to amend these rules at our discretion.
7. No visitors are allowed after 23h00 (unless a "sleep-over" code was provided).
8. There are furthermore restrictions on visitors on Varsity Cup days (for home games) as well as in the two week period before and during examinations. These will be communicated from time to time when the need arises.

How is access for a visitor arranged?

1. The Academia resident applies for a visitor's code via the SU Life App (<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/sulife-academia/id1555762241> IOS & <https://sulife.co.za/academia>) being either for a day visitor or a "sleep-over" visitor. The Academia student ticks the appropriate block on the App.
2. No visitor's codes (day codes or nights codes) are issued after 20h00.
3. Day codes are only valid from 7h00 in the morning and may not be used to gain access after 23h00 of the previous day.
4. The visitor is required to provide the visitor's code to Security upon entry to Academia. No code, no visit.
5. The visitor is required to provide proof of identity to Security and comply with Covid protocols, if applicable.

Sleep-over visitors: how long can visitors stay; and how many visitors are allowed?

1. A resident can have a maximum of two overnight visitors per night. This is limited to one night during the week (Sunday to Thursday); on weekends (Friday night and Saturday night), visitors are permitted to stay for two nights. The SULife app will deny a code where a resident's visitor quota has been filled.
2. If a resident should want a visitor/family member to stay for longer than the allowed time, the request should be addressed to the Academia office where a decision will be made based on the merits in each case.

Can the same person have frequent visitors?

1. There is no limit on the frequency of visitors other than as set out herein. However, the system relies on residents not to abuse the visitor privilege and not to allow non-residents to stay in Academia on a regular basis.
2. The privilege is meant for bona fide visitors. Academia reserves the right to deny visitation should there be any reason to believe that the privilege is being abused.

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