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The most important message is don't sign too early. Each year, letting agents and some landlords begin encouraging students to sign tenancy agreements. You might be told that you'll miss out if you don't sign for a house early, however there is a plentiful supply of student accommodation in Worcester. Make sure you take time and consider the following before you commit to looking for a property:

Location

* Where do you want to live?
* How will you travel to and from lectures or placement?
* Does the area feel safe and secure?
Will you need a garden or parking?
* Are there pubs/clubs/train stations nearby and will this cause noise pollution?

Finances

* What’s your budget?
* Can everyone afford the deposit?
* Who will be your guarantor?

Housemates/co-tenants:

* How many people do you want to live with?
* Are they reliable? Do you know them well?
* Will you be able to study well and maintain good health and wellbeing?

Remember: Choose your housemates carefully – things such as rent payments and bills affect the whole household.

You can Join our official [Facebook Housemate Finder Page](https://www.facebook.com/groups/WSUHousemateFinder/)(only available to current students) to advertise your properties/spare rooms and find potential housemates.

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