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- Orientation programs to help new residents learn about Cornell, Ithaca, and life in the U.S.
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- English as a Second Language (ESL) classes twice each week
- Staff support and guidance to help translate, answer questions, and advocate
- Assistance enrolling children in school or daycare, learning to use public transportation, and shopping in American supermarkets
- Many community signs with pictorial images to help eliminate confusion caused by language barriers
- Community recycling programs where residents can leave unwanted items, and new residents can take what they need
- Connections with local human services agencies that provide resources for international residents

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In addition to being a great place to eat, study, and meet friends, the Big Red Barn hosts a variety of weekly events, including:

- Swing & Latin dance lessons
- The ever-popular T.G.I.F (“Tell Grads It’s Friday”)
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A quieter neighborhood than Hasbrouck, Maplewood is a warm, attractive community that still offers plenty of opportunities for socializing, with potluck dinners and recreational activities held throughout the year.

Number of residents: 479
Number of units: 394
Location: Just south of campus, a 10-minute walk to central campus, and served by bus routes and pedestrian/bike trails; close to the Vet School and a shopping plaza with a large grocery store
Unit styles: Studio, 1-bedroom, 1-bedroom + study, 3-bedroom, and 4-bedroom apartments, each with its own kitchen or kitchenette and 1-2 bathrooms; all units furnished
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Location: On north campus, a 10-minute walk to central campus, and served by frequent buses; close to Cornell’s Child Care Center
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Open to single students

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Building amenities: Laundry facilities in the building
Recreational facilities: A 5-minute walk to two fitness centers, a field house with an indoor swimming pool, and basketball and tennis courts

Hughes Hall

Open to single first-year J.D. Law School students

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Number of residents: 47
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Location: The southwest corner of campus, adjoining the Law School’s Myron Taylor Hall
Unit styles: 2- to 5-bedroom suites with one shared bathroom per suite (residents share a single large kitchen in the building); all units furnished
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Dining on campus
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You’ll find a huge variety of healthy and international menu options at our All You Care to Eat dining rooms, retail food locations, cafés, and convenience stores. From 7:00am each morning until 2:00am each night, there is always a Cornell Dining eatery open where—depending on the hour—you can enjoy a gourmet sit-down meal, a customized salad, a quick slice of authentic New York-style pizza, or the best sushi around… or even just a cup of coffee between classes.

Choose from hundreds of delicious options—there are Cornell Dining locations all over campus for you to explore!

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special diets
If you have special dietary requirements or preferences—for health, medical, allergen, religious, ethical, or lifestyle reasons—Cornell Dining can provide the selections you’re looking for.

Kosher
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Exclusively for students in the Johnson Graduate School of Management. Includes:
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12-month contract period (7/1/13-6/30/14)

- Furnished and unfinished units
- Rates subject to change

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- 1-bedroom apartment – $985/month
- 1 large bedroom in a shared 2-bedroom townhouse – $440/month
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Academic-year (8/23/13-5/21/14) and
12-month (7/1/13-6/30/14) contract periods

- All units furnished
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- Studio (limited availability) – $9,150/academic year; $915/month for 12-month contract
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- 1 large bedroom in a shared 3-bedroom apartment (limited availability) – $8,300/academic year; $830/month for 12-month contract

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Hasbrouck Apartments
12-month contract period (7/1/13-6/30/14)
Furnished and unfurnished units
Rates subject to change
- Studio – $595/month furnished
- 1-bedroom apartment – $595/month unfurnished, $1,055/month furnished
- 2-bedroom apartment (located on 3rd floor) – $1,065/month furnished
- 2-bedroom townhouse (located on 1st & 2nd floors) – $1,045/month unfurnished, $1,100/month furnished

Maplewood Park Apartments
12-month contract period (7/1/13-6/30/14)
All units furnished
Rates subject to change
- 1-bedroom apartment (limited availability; wheelchair accessible) – $1,000/month
- 1-bedroom + study apartment – $1,000/month

Occupancy
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- Maplewood’s 1-bedroom + study apartments can be occupied by a maximum of two adults and two legally dependent children. One adult must be a Cornell student.
- Hasbrouck two-bedroom apartments can be occupied by a maximum of two adults and two legally dependent children, or one adult and three legally dependent children. One adult must be a Cornell student.

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Local schools and childcare options

Public Schools
School-age children (aged 5 and older) living in Hasbrouck Apartments and Maplewood Park Apartments attend public schools, free of charge, in the Ithaca City School District, which has an excellent national rating for academics and cultural diversity. Children in kindergarten through 5th grade attend Belle Sherman Elementary School, those in 6th through 8th grades attend DeWitt Middle School, and those in 9th through 12th grades attend Ithaca High School. A lottery system allows a certain percentage of students who are interested in an alternative learning environment to attend Lehman Alternative Community School for grades 6 through 12. Learn more about Ithaca's public schools by visiting www.icsd.k12.ny.us.

Private Schools
A variety of fee-based private school options also exist in the Ithaca area. A list, with links to individual school websites, can be found at www.greatschools.org/new-york/ithaca/private/schools/.

Nursery Schools and Childcare
Cornell has its own Child Care Center for infants, toddlers, and preschool children, located across the street from Hasbrouck Apartments. Learn more by visiting www.centralschools.bright Horizons.com/cornell/. The Child Development Council of Tompkins County is an excellent resource for referrals to other nursery schools and childcare options; visit www.childdevelopmentcouncil.org for more information.
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Furnished and unfurnished units
Rates subject to change

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- 1-bedroom apartment – $985/month furnished
- 2-bedroom apartment (located on 3rd floor) – $1,065/month furnished
- 2-bedroom townhouse (located on 1st & 2nd floors) – $1,045/month unfurnished; $1,100/month furnished

Maplewood Park Apartments

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SINGLE-STUDENT HOUSING UNITS
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HASBROUCK FAMILY/PARTNER UNITS
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MAPLEWOOD FAMILY/PARTNER UNITS
In Maplewood one-bedroom units, the living room typically has a two-seat sofa, two side chairs, a coffee table, two end tables, and two lamps. The dining area has a built-in table ‘nook’ with two chairs, and the kitchen has a refrigerator and stove. The bedroom has a queen-size bed, six-drawer dresser, nightstand, and lamp; the study has a desk with a chair, a bookshelf, and lamp.

Linens, Kitchenware, and Cleaning Supplies
Residents must provide their own sheets, blankets, pillows, etc. (you may purchase linens at a local store). All kitchens are equipped with a stove and a refrigerator. Shared kitchens in Hughes come equipped with basic kitchenware. Residents of the apartment units (Hasbrouck, Maplewood, and Thurston Court) must provide their own kitchenware.

There are small vacuum cleaners in each apartment, or on each floor in Hughes. Basic cleaning supplies are provided in each apartment at move-in. Items like vacuum cleaner bags and light bulbs are provided by your Service Center at no cost.

Rental Refrigerators/Microwaves
Residents of Hughes Hall may want to rent a mini-fridge or a microwave (combined refrigerator and microwave) for your room. You may do so at mymicrowave.com. Freestanding microwaves are prohibited.

Laundry
All university housing areas have shared laundry facilities with washing machines and dryers. You are not permitted to have a washing machine or dryer in your room or apartment. For laundry use, you may add money to your Cornell ID or online (see housing.cornell.edu) and swipe your card.

Air Conditioning
Air conditioning is provided in all air-conditioning units that meet university guidelines, but there is a fee for coverage installation and removal, plus additional utility consumption. Please visit your Service Center for more information. Air conditioning is not available at Hughes or Thurston Court.

Parking
You must register any vehicle you bring on campus. On-site parking is available at all graduate student residences for a fee. You can pay the total amount at registration, or pay in installments.

Transportation Services sets parking fees and fines, issues parking permits, and handles university registration of vehicles. For details, visit transportation.cornell.edu or contact Transportation Services, 116 Maple Avenue, Ithaca, NY 14853-4902 (phone: 697-255-4600).

Electric and Gas Service
Electric service operates on a 115-volt, 60-cycle alternating current. You must provide an adapter to use an appliance not designed for that service. All utility costs are included in your rent.

Phone Service
For residents of Hasbrouck and Hughes, local telephone service is included in the housing rate. Residents of Thurston Court and Maplewood must request telephone service from Cornell Information Technologies (it.cornell.edu), and are charged activation and deactivation fees, plus a monthly charge for local service. All students are billed monthly on their university bursar accounts for local-distance service and toll calls. Other long-distance or international phone services may be obtained by using telephone cards.

Computer Network Access
Internet service (up to 100 GB/month) is included in your housing rate. All apartments and single-student rooms have Internet network jacks that can be used to connect a computer directly to the Cornell campus network and the Internet without using a phone line and modem. The service includes activation of the network jack, cables, software, and phone support; you must supply a computer with Internet capabilities and Ethernet hardware. For details, visit it.cornell.edu/services/resnet, call the CIT HelpDesk at 607-255-8990, or send email to helpdesk@cornell.edu.

Television Service
Residents of the apartment block and Maplewood may subscribe to Time Warner Cable TV in their own apartments. Residents of Thurston Court and Hughes Hall should use an online option available to them to view their favorite programs on their computers. Please be aware that Internet use beyond 100 GB per month incurs a network usage-based billing ($886 fee).

Storage
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Smoking
All rooms and areas are smoke-free. Smoking is not permitted in common areas and is not permitted in apartments or rooms.

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Renters Insurance
The university does not insure your personal property. We recommend carrying your own personal property renters insurance against loss and damage (for example, from fire, theft, or flood).

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Housing Contracts
Contracts are issued to Cornell students and Cornell affiliates (scholars and post docs) only, and are legally binding documents. Contracts are issued for either the academic year, or for 12 months, please check pages 10-13 for information about which contract periods are available in which community.

Billing Cycles
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