

# Off The Record

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## On your marks...Get set...Look for housing

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It's that time of the year again. Just when your dorm room has become a home away from home or your apartment is just the way you like it—time to pack up all your earthly possessions and move. It's a fact of life that you move around a lot in college. Finding housing that you can afford and be happy with is a process that needs to start early.

Returning students have multiple options. Dorms attract some people because of their convenience and proximity to campus. Others choose to venture into the real world of rent, grocery shopping and bills. Between these two extremes are the many cooperatives, Greek houses and quads that dot the university campus neighborhood.

Christy Cutting of Off-Campus Housing, located in Suite 5 of the EMU, has some tips for students beginning their search for the ultimate in student living. Cruising the various neighborhoods, reading the *Register-Guard* and *The Oregon Daily Emerald*, and talking to friends, especially graduation seniors, are all ways to get your foot in the door of a good place. The off-campus bulletin board in the EMU has listings of places that are available. Christy recommends starting the search now. "It will probably be worse than last year," she says about the housing shortage that had students combing the streets for any type of shelter they could get. Waiting until the beginning of fall term to look for a place is like studying for a final the hour before you take it—it just doesn't work.

Returning dorm residents must choose between living in the same dorm or venturing into another hall. Returning sign-up is the time for students to stake

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