

# Alternative accommodation (student residence) for the 2017-07 Toronto WG21 Meeting

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## Introduction

For attendees of the July 2017 WG21 meeting in Toronto, we have negotiated rates with two hotels: [Sheraton Center](#), which is a 23-minute walk from the conference venue, and [Chelsea](#), which is an 18-minute walk from the conference venue.

Since the conference venue is on the University of Toronto campus, we are also offering an alternative accommodation option in some student residences on campus.

## Pros

- More affordable (see below for rates).
- Closer to the conference venue.

## Cons

- Accommodations are more modest.
- Most room types do not have private bathrooms; instead, bathrooms are shared with other rooms or with the floor.
- **No air conditioning.** Keep in mind it can get hot in Toronto in July.
  - There is a chance that at one of the residences (Victoria College), spaces may open up in a building that does have air conditioning.
- Availability is limited (see below for details).
- In some cases, rooms need to be booked earlier than for the hotels.
  - In particular, **rooms at Victoria College will only be held until April 10th**

## Residence Options

There are three student residence options available to attendees: Knox College, Massey College, and Victoria College

## Knox College

- **Walking distance to conference venue:** [2 minutes](#)
  - Due to its proximity to the venue, I expect this to be a popular option. Book early!
- **Rooms available:** approximately 10
- **Nightly rate:** TBD. The 2016 summer rate was \$55 CAD/night + 13% tax.
- **How to apply:** Applications will open in April. Once they do, go [here](#) and follow the "Summer Residence Application" link in the right sidebar. **Mention the conference code "ISO C++" in your application.**
- **Deadline to book?** No, but given the small number of available rooms, booking early is highly recommended.
- **Air conditioning:** No
- **Breakfast:** There is no breakfast available at Knox College. You would need to find breakfast elsewhere on campus or nearby.
- **Additional notes:** There will be construction work happening near the south end of the building, which involves some noise. There is no guarantee that you won't get a room near the construction zone.

## Massey College

- **Walking distance to conference venue:** [8 minutes](#)
- **Rooms available:** TBD. Don't expect very many.
- **Nightly rate:** \$80 CAD/night (includes tax)
  - Massey also offers rooms with private bathrooms for a higher rate, and double rooms (two people sharing a room). See [Rates](#) for details.
- **How to apply:** Follow instructions [here](#).
- **Deadline to book?** TBD
- **Air conditioning:** No
- **Breakfast:** Included in nightly rate

## Victoria College

- **Walking distance to conference venue:** [15 minutes](#)
- **Rooms available:** 30
- **Nightly rate:** \$72 CAD/night + 13% tax
- **How to apply:** Fill out the online application [here](#). **Use the conference code "IntStandardsOrganizationWG212017".**
- **Deadline to book?** The rooms will only be held until **April 10**. After that, they'll be returned to the general pool available to the public, at which point they'll likely be booked up fast.
- **Air conditioning:** Victoria College has several residence buildings. Currently, rooms are reserved in **Annesley Hall** which does **not** have air conditioning. If spaces become available in other buildings which are air conditioned (for example due to a cancellation), reservations may be "upgraded" to that building.
- **Breakfast:** Included in nightly rate