

Summer Sewing Camp at Franklin Pierce University FAQ

Amenities

What are the sleeping Arrangements?

Lakeview Townhouses: Each townhouse has a 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 1 living room, 1 kitchen apartment. It also has a 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom, 1 kitchen efficiency on the ground floor. Each bedroom has 2 long twin beds. If you choose to have a single room, you will be in a bedroom with 2 twin beds.

All townhouses are air conditioned.

Here is a link with more information:

<https://www.franklinpierce.edu/student-experience/campus-life/residential/housing/seniors.html>

Are the bathrooms inside the bedrooms?

There is a bathroom for each bedroom, but you will need to go out of the bedroom to go to the bathroom (usually the bathroom is across the bedroom).

Are linen provided?

Yes; however this is not a high end hotel. If you are concerned about soft sheets or towels, I would suggest that you bring your own. The mattresses are a little on the hard side. If this is a concern, usually putting a soft comforter on top of it is all it takes.

The bedrooms have 2 chest drawers and 2 closets, but there are no hangers. If you bring your own sheets, the twin beds are long.

Are pots and pans in the kitchen?

No. If you intend to use the kitchen, you need to bring your own equipments (pots, plates, utensil, etc.). The kitchen has a sink but no dishwasher, so you will also need to bring your own dish soap and towels. The kitchen does have a fridge, a stove and a sink.

Are there any stairs?

There are stairs to get to the apartment, as well as inside the apartment to get to the bedrooms. The efficiencies are at the ground floor.

The sewing room is at the ground floor. This year, there are no breakfasts and one dinner is up a small hill. However, there is parking nearby, so you can take your car up the hill if you have mobility problems. Lunch boxes are served in the sewing room.

If you arrive and leave within certain times, there are students available to help you carry your bags in both the sewing room and in the townhouses. I'll let you know of

these times when we get closer to the beginning of the camp. Arrivals should be after 1 PM on Thursday to give time to setup the room. If you arrive before, you may not be allowed in and you may not get the key to the appartement.

Food Stuff

Will snacks be provided?

Water will be given to us in the sewing room. We will have coffee service starting at 08:00 AM, but there are no restrictions on what we can bring with us. There will be a small fridge, a microwave oven and mugs in the sewing room and plenty of tables to put our snacks on. I would suggest for the snacks that they'd be individually wrapped to share but this is not a requirement.

Can my dietary restrictions be accomodated?

Unfortunately, the low price will prevent too much accomodation. There will be vegan option for the lunch boxes. As a University though they are required to provide alternative food for people with severe food allergies. If you have any let me know.

At what time are the meals? (June camp only. No meals for the July camp)

No Breakfast

Lunch boxes delivered to us: 12:30 pm – 01:30 pm

One dinner will be catered around 06:30 PM, one dinner will be a cookout, and one evening, the campers are on their own

The first meal will be dinner on Thursday evening and the last one will be a box lunch on Sunday.

Sewing Space

What is our sewing space?

Our sewing space will be in the **Lakeside Educational Center** which is a very short walking distance from the townhouses on flat terrain (you can see the townhouses from the Lakeside center). It is air conditioned.

Each attended will have an individual 6 foot table and tables will be in pods of three. While the sewing room has very good light during the day with windows all around, it is recommended to bring extra lights for the evening. Because some of us are still skittish about Covid, there will only 1 cutting table and 2 ironing tables and we recommend that people stay at their table as much as possible. We should have a large design wall.

The sewing room has a wrap around deck with plenty of space for folding chairs, so do not hesitate to bring them. It is very nice to be outdoor to do handwork.

Is the sewing room locked at night?

You can stay and sew all night if you wish, but the last person leaving the room will need to lock it. The first person back will need to call campus security to re-open it (they arrive within 5 minutes). We will have their phone number prominently posted in the room and they are available 24 hours.

Other activities

Are there any stores or dining around campus?

There is a Dunkin Donut, a Walmart and a Market Basket within 5 miles of the campus entrance. There are a couple of diners, but this is a small town.

There are no quilt shops close by. The closest ones are in Keene, Richmond or Lyndeborough which are about 20 to 45 minutes away.

What activities are there?

FPU is a beautiful hilly campus. The sewing room is on the lake near a small beach. You can swim if the weather permits but there won't be a lifeguard.

We can go kayacking or canoeing on the lake but we need to let FPU know so that they can have a student open the boat house for us and provide us with all the equipment, including the mandatory life jackets. This will be only possible Friday or Saturday.

There are also plenty of road and trails to walk.