

## HOW TO RELOCATE WITHOUT HEADACHES

The University will offer assistance and some housing, but all matriculates are responsible for obtaining living quarters prior to registration.

The easiest way to find an apartment, or to find out about our new Graduate Housing facilities, is to contact the Office of Residential Life and Housing at **(954) 262-7060** for any of your housing questions. Another way is to check with the apartment manager of any building that appeals to you, even if there are no "For Rent" signs posted.

Vacant apartments fill quickly, so it's best to come down here and start hunting prior to the first of any month.

**BEWARE:** Few apartments allow pets. Leave Fido or Felix with a trusted friend until you can make special arrangements after you arrive. Apartments permitting children are not as big a problem.

**PREPARE:** There is a price to pay for the terrific weather, sand, surf and recreation. Because many not-too-dependable transients take off without paying their rent, most apartments are rentable only after you have paid a first and last month's rent. Rent ranges from \$ 850.00 per month for a 1-bedroom apartment to . . . well, the sky's the limit. Now if you want a jazzy singles complex, be willing to pay more.

**UTILITIES:** With most apartments, your only utility responsibilities are electricity and telephone. Without air conditioning (which is difficult to live without from April to November), electric bills can run as low as \$ 50.00 per month. Summer months, with air conditioning running constantly, your bills may be in the \$ 200.00 range. Electric company deposits necessary to turn on service may be around \$ 150.00.

Telephone rates are about the same as in other states. Deposits are figured on whether or not there is an existing phone.

**BANKING:** The best way to transfer funds from your bank to a local bank in Ft. Lauderdale is to wire your money directly to the bank of your choice before you move here. You will be able to open a checking account and write checks without delay. The other recommended way of transferring money is to do it with travelers' checks. Transferring your funds with a cashier's check is not recommended as banks here put an 8 day hold on cashiers' checks - meaning you won't be able to write out a check against this money for 8 days.

## **THE GOOD PART**

Now that you know all the costly things about your move to South Florida, let us tell you about the less expensive pleasures you will enjoy!

1. You can leave your boots, heavy coats, long-johns and heavy clothes at home. You won't need them here! One wardrobe consisting of lightweight clothing, plus some sweaters and fall weather clothing is all that's needed year round.
2. Eat all the oranges, bananas and citrus fruits your heart desires - they're reasonable down here.
3. Forget about heating bills, shoveling snow, snow tires, etc.
4. Bring some suntan lotion, sunglasses and beach towels.
5. Bring scuba, snorkeling, fishing, jogging, bicycling and boating gear.
6. No state tax, no city tax.

Etc., etc., etc.