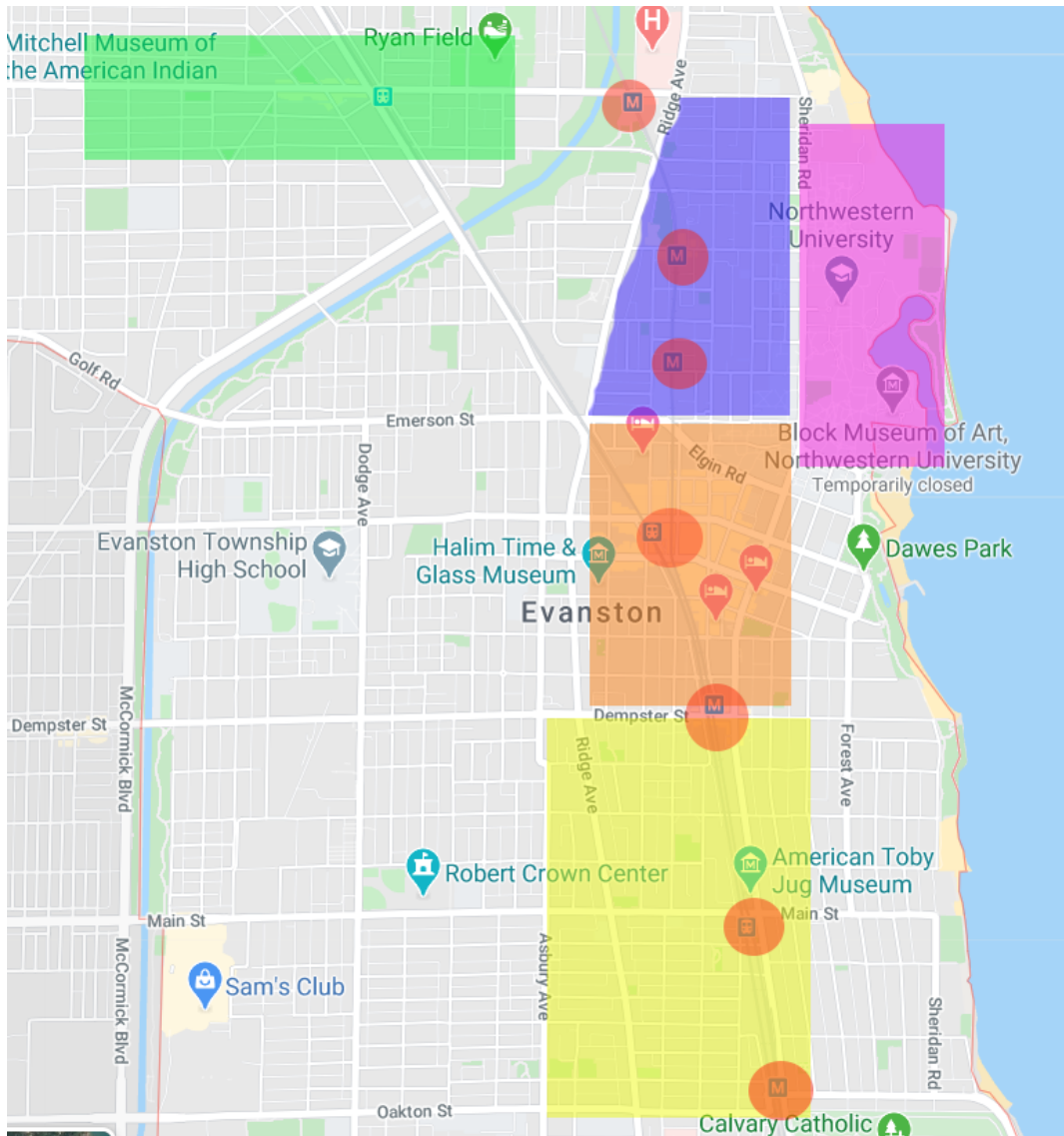


Northwestern Housing Guide



Northwestern University Evanston Campus (purple rectangle)

City of Evanston

The majority of student housing is divided into 4 regions in Evanston:

- (1) Sheridan Road and Ridge Ave. East-West and Emerson St. to Central St. South to North, (blue)
- (2) Near Downtown Evanston, (orange)
- (3) Oakton St. and Dempster St. (S-N), and Chicago Ave. and Ridge Ave. (E-W) & Hinman/Judson Ave. (yellow)
- (4) Central Street. (green)

The red dots are the train stops of the purple line of the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) system. From south to north, South Blvd, Main, Dempster, Davis (downtown Evanston), Foster (nearest to South part of the campus), Noyes (nearest to Tech (Technological Institute) and North part of the campus), and Central. South of South Blvd is Howard station the last stop of the Purple Line and you can change to Red Line that goes to downtown Chicago. The Purple Line goes express to Chicago on weekdays during rush hour.

As you move further away from campus the price of the apartment will go down within each housing area. The public transportation system is good. Studios near the university can be at the same price as a one-bedroom further away from the university. In-unit laundry is very difficult to find, and it will raise the price of the apartment. Most of the apartments building will have a laundry room.

If you have a car, a parking space is about \$50/month on average. This is in addition to the apartment rent. Many students find that they do not need a car because of public transportation system and Uber. A bike is good investment (both for cycling to the university or cycling to Chicago along the lakeshore).

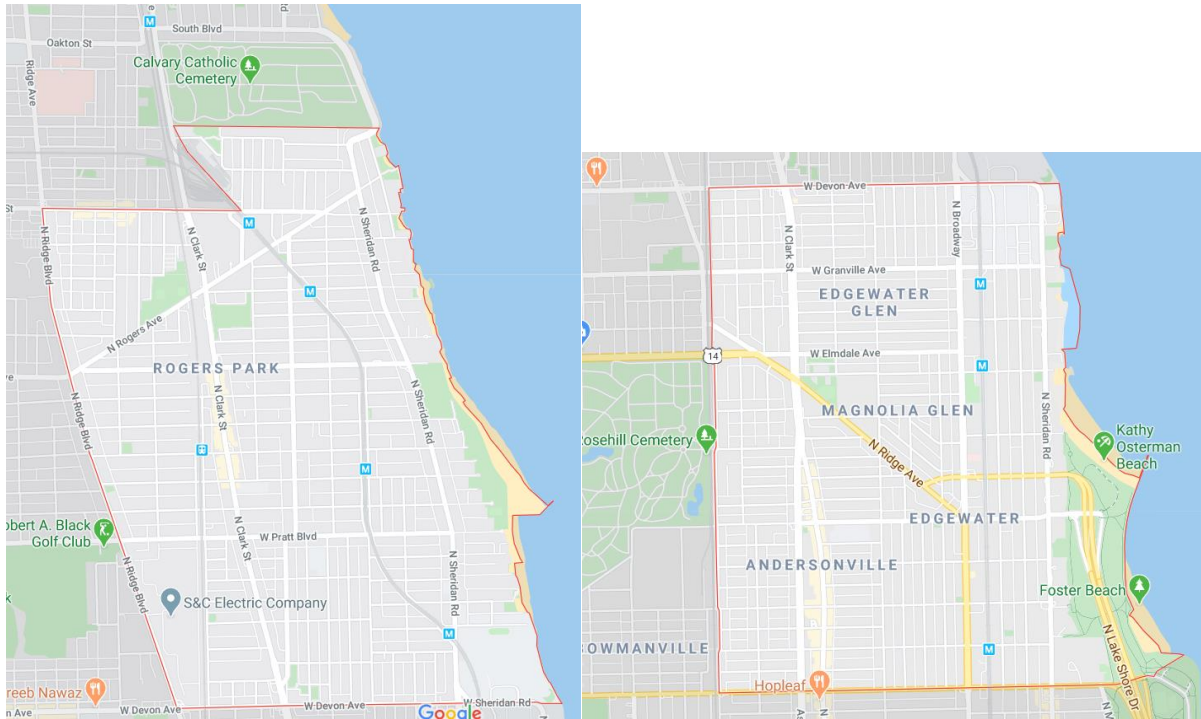
Zone 1 is the nearest to the campus which gives an advantage in commuting. It's walking distance from the campus. Rent in this area typically ranges from \$1200 - 1700/month for 1 bed and 2 bed apartments. There are campus shuttles which connect this area to downtown groceries and restaurants. Many people within this zone have housemates.

Zone 2 a little further than Zone 1. Around 15-20 minute walk to Tech. Rent should be in the same range as Zone 1, but there is accessibility to downtown stores, grocery, restaurants, and entertainment. Whole Foods, Jewel Osco, and Trader Joes are near if you live in the southern part of downtown Evanston. This is a 5-7 min bike ride from Tech, and is well-connected with public transportation: CTA and NU Shuttles. If you are staying in a studio it might be about \$1000-1400/month. A typical 2 bed/1bath is around \$1300-1700/month, and 3 bed/ 2bath might be in the range of \$2200-2600.

Zone 3 has an average rent for a \$850-1000 for a 1 bed/1 bath apartment. With a housemate in a 2 bed/1 bath, it averages around \$500-700 per person. If you live between Ridge and Chicago in, you will have access to the Purple Line South Blvd, Main, and Dempster stations, which run along Chicago. The 201 CTA bus runs north/south along Ridge and stops in front of Tech. The Shuttle bus is another way to get to campus. It is about a 15-20 minute cycle from South Blvd to Tech. In Zone 3 there is a Walgreens, many restaurants, Trader Joes, Jewel Osco, and Valli Produce.

Zone 4 has limited access to public transportation compared to other zones. The 201 bus passes through Central. A car will be more essential compared to other regions.

City of Chicago Rogers Park and Edgewater Neighborhoods



In the Rogers Park map, the first train sign (M) from top to bottom is South Blvd station, which is in Zone 3 of Evanston. Edgewater is located south of Rogers Park. After Main, the campus shuttle will have one more stop before going directly to Chicago campus. This stop is at the Loyola Red Line stop (at Loyola University), which is marked by the farthest south M in the Rogers Park map. Student living Rogers park and Edgewater live either near to redline stations depicted by the (M) sign.

If you are looking to live alone, it's more economical to try looking at apartments across the border in Chicago. Rogers Park is a popular neighborhood for this, it spans the area from Howard St in the north and Devon in the south, and goes as far west as Ridge. It is very convenient for grocery shopping and other day-to-day necessities, plus has a lot of very pretty residential areas, and is close to the lake. If you don't have a car it is better to live in the East portion, near the Red Line, but there is also the CTA 22 bus on Clark St. if you don't mind a longer commute.

Rogers Park is great for reasonable rent, but the convenience of getting to campus is lower. As a side note, if you like the feel of the city but want somewhere nicer, you can go a bit further south to Edgewater as well, which is top notch for restaurants and has many nice apartments. It only adds a minute or two on the Red Line.

Intercampus shuttle

The intercampus shuttle connects the Chicago and Evanston campuses with multiple stops along the way.

This is the shuttle tracking website: <https://northwestern.transloc.com/>

This is the website to get info about the parking on and off campus and connectivity between Chicago and Evanston: <https://maps.northwestern.edu/>

