2018 Housing Reviews,
*please note the below reviews come directly from current GSBS students and in no way reflect the opinions of the University or Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences*

Apartments:

Name: Broadstone on Medical Apartment (5 reviews)
Address: 4900 Medical Drive
How do you commute from home to school? University Bus/ walk/ car
Website, if applicable: https://www.liveatbroadstonemedical.com/
Rent: $750/ ~$780 / $875 / 650-1000
Distance from campus: 15 min walk/ ~1 mile / .6 miles
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

1. Don't come here cuz the office does not want to fix the facilities in the apartment because they are too old. The fridge in my apartment is making a huge noise and I called them 4 times and they came but didn't fix it. It's still making a huge noise. Go to a place where the maintainance is better and I am moving away
2. This complex has been under construction for about 1 year. Gates to the complex have been open during this time, so to say it's a gated community would not be entirely accurate. If you're looking for a relatively cheap place to occasionally eat and sleep, it's a good choice. If you prefer a nicer quality living arrangement with more amenities, I would not recommend this particular complex. I personally have not had many problems with my apartment, but other students who live here have. Then again, I do not ask for much.
3. Very convenient to be so close to campus. Decent apartments. Also convenient to have a washer/dryer in every unit. Can pick up packages 24/7.
4. I have been living here for almost two years now. I like the complex because is super close to school and is at a convenient spot for everything including groceries, dining, movies, gyms etc. The rent is decent and most likely affordable by most since the apartment complex is old. They actively keep doing renovations. The management changed over the last year and since then they have been friendly, attentive and respond quickly to maintenance requests.

The newer upgraded apartments have a two-three features that have been upgraded but the rest is the same. I looked at these but decided that it was not worth spending the extra money on. If you are looking for a fancy apartment with state of the art stuff, do not live here.
The rent varies-
Studios- $450+
1 Bed - $600-800
2 Bed - $800+

Name: Carlyle Place Apartment
Address: 1751 Babock Rd, San Antonio Tx, 78229
How do you commute from home to school? University Bus
Website, if applicable:
Rent: about $1,100 including water/ electricity
Distance from campus: less than 5 mins
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

I really recommend this apartment to anybody who is looking for a safe and comfortable place to live. I have had no issues here. I feel safe. The staff are friendly and always address any concern. The maintenance workers are efficient and get work orders done within a day or 2 if not an emergency. The rent is a little expensive if you will be living by yourself, but there is a student discount.

Name: Fountainhead Apartments
Address: 4400 Horizon Hill boulevard
How do you commute from home to school? car
Website, if applicable: https://www.liveatfountainhead.com/
Rent: $695
Distance from campus: 2 miles
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

This place has a nice proximity to school. I have had to put in several maintenance requests, but maintenance workers are always quick to solve any issues. Overall, it is not the fanciest, but I enjoy living at this complex.
Name: Medical Center Apartments (2 reviews)
Address: 5055 VonsCheele Drive
How do you commute from home to school? Walk
Website, if applicable:
Rent: $1000
Distance from campus: 15 minute walk, 0.7 km
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

1. I do not recommend any respectful and discent person to move into these apartments. After I was attacked by our neighbor's aggressive dog for the second time, I notified the Management because it was a very serious attack that put me and my dogs in danger with hopes they can provide a resolution to me. Police also recommended me to share this event with the managers. So I can stay safe while I finish my contract. Reaching out to management was an attempt to distant myself from neighbors, because they gave me band-aids for the next attack. They also stated that their dogs didn't like my dogs from the get go, and she knew that and decided to release her dog from more than 50 meters away to attack my poor dog within minutes, I stepped out of my apartment. They also in a note stated that their dogs are doing ok too. I became afraid of their responses because it sounded like they are trying to accuse me, after their dog attacked us. Management decided to treat me with disrespect and degraded me by not providing any resolutions or understanding and stating that I was at fault too. The management put me at fault, after I explained to them the entire story and they used the lease contract and their power to bully me to stay in my lease. Because they know it is very hard for me to break my lease and move without having to pay all the penalties. Now I can't move for the next 9 months and I feel extremely unsafe walking in their property, because I think they may put me at fault for any other thing like walking on my feet or breathing the air with my nose in the future. Plus I am in a constant watch for the next attack, that I have to use the bandaids too. Just please don't send any student to this property.

2. I don't necessarily recommend this place as management has changed three times in the 4 years I've been here. Things have somewhat improved but at the price of about 1000 for a 2 bed 2 bath, the only thing that makes it worth it for me personally is that I like to walk to school.

Name: Monterra
Address: 6033 De Zavala
How do you commute from home to school? car
Website, if applicable: www.liveatmonterra.com
Rent: $900/1 bedroom
Distance from campus: 12 minutes
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

Absolutely amazing apartments not too far from campus, and the only place I’ve lived so far that is roach-free. I also would like to add that I lived at the Branch at Medical Center my first year and those apartments became really sketchy so I moved out. I remember there was a SWAT team in the apartment complex before I moved out. Also tons of roaches. So I would avoid those if possible.

Name: San Antonio Station (2 reviews)
Address: 7458 Louis Pasteur Dr
How do you commute from home to school? walk
Website, if applicable: http://sastation.com/
Rent: $800/ $850
Distance from campus: .5 mi
Is the community gated? no
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

1. Great apartment for the price. management is nice and repairs are quick. Very close to the school. you can wake up at 7:45 and make IBMS 5000 at 8:00 am .So convenient

2. Complex currently undergoing renovations, unrenovated units are cheaper but you will be forced to relocate to a more expensive renovated unit at end of lease.

Name: Signature Ridge
Address: 3711 Medical Drive
How do you commute from home to school? car
Website, if applicable: https://www.signatureridgeliving.com/
Rent:
Distance from campus: 1.5 miles
Is the community gated? no  
Parking available? yes  
Pool? yes  
Pets? yes  
Workout Facility? yes  
Anything else you’d like to add?  
Washer and dryer

Name: Sundance Apartment  
Address: 4615 Gardendale Street  
How do you commute from home to school? car  
Website, if applicable:  
Rent:  
Distance from campus: 10 mins drive  
Is the community gated? no  
Parking available? yes  
Pool? yes  
Pets? yes  
Workout Facility? No  
Anything else you’d like to add?  
They have a lot of glass door around, sun light goes through it, just didn't contain temperature well, but rental price is fair, near to several daycare centers. Didn't have much traffic jam.

Name: The Abby at Medical Center  
Address: 5460 Rowley Rd  
How do you commute from home to school? car  
Website, if applicable: https://www.abbeyresidential.com/apartments/tx/san-antonio/medical-center/  
Rent: $1,030  
Distance from campus: 1.5 miles  
Is the community gated? no  
Parking available? yes  
Pool? yes  
Pets? yes  
Workout Facility? yes  
Anything else you’d like to add?
Do NOT move here. This is the worst complex I have ever lived in. There are a lot of hidden fees (amenity fee, view, washer/dryer) that they don't tell you about. My apartment was not ready on move in day despite calling ahead and confirming it was ready. The pools are always dirty, management is terrible, the "gym" has two broken treadmills one elliptical, three stationary bikes, and a home gym that is missing most of the parts and attachments. Additionally, the air conditioning in the "gym" does not work. I did not have hot water in my apartment from 5/2-14/18. I can't wait to move out of here.

Name: The District at Medical Center (2 reviews)
Address: 5114 Medial Drive, San Antonio, 78229
How do you commute from home to school? Car/ University bus
Website, if applicable: https://www.districtatmedicalcenter.com/
Rent: $990-1075/ 1200
Distance from campus: 1.7-1.9 miles (10 mins)/ 1 mile
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

1. On the expensive side, do not be shocked. if you keep a look out prices of the rent fluctuate a lot. April has been the best time to rent for me. Only Apartments with elevator, very helpful when with groceries, moving in/out, or live in the 5th floor. The parking garage allows you to always have parking without walking far. They have a dog park, and dog treats available. Starbucks coffee, creamers, and sugar, available 24/7. Valet Trash pick up, just leave trash outside of door. Washer and dryer are included. Online service request, handy men change air filters, can repaint walls, unclog drains, free of cost and are fast, dependable, and respectful. Gas grills, tables and beautiful areas for parties. Biweekly events (free food) for example: tacos and tequila brunch for cinco de mayo. Not worth getting if Rent is too expensive (past 1,200) but if you get a good rent price(900-1000). it is a beautiful place or with a room mate!. Most Great places in the medical center are around 900, and through extensive research, none have as many benefits as the district. Avoid very cheap place (cheap for a reason) unless you're willing to risk it. Broadstone alone this past year has had a building burn from electrical problem, and a lot of leaking roofs, and bad management. The medical center apartments are a bit better, management is still not great, however rent is about 800, with almost none of the benefits the district offers (no personal washer dryer; no trash valet; no 24/7 gym; etc).

2. Excellent

Name: The Palazzo
Address: 5455 Rowley Road
How do you commute from home to school? Car
Website, if applicable: https://venterraliving.com/apartments/palazzo/?id=TX4PAGOO&utm_source=Local%20Listings&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=Top%20Line%20Local
Rent: $1,270
Distance from campus: 1.3 miles from
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

The complex is very nice. The staff is friendly. They fix any maintenance issues in a timely manner. It is a bit expensive for our stipend though.

Name: Ventana Apartments
Address: 11020 Huebner Oaks
How do you commute from home to school? Car
Website, if applicable: https://venterraliving.com/apartments/ventana/
Rent: $1,300
Distance from campus: 4 miles
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

Name: Vintage
Address: 7733 Louis Pasteur
How do you commute from home to school? walk
Website, if applicable: https://thevintage.rentanapt.com
Rent: $1,279.00
Distance from campus: 10 minutes
Is the community gated? yes
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?
Name: Walnut Hill
Address: 2626 Babcock Rd
How do you commute from home to school? University Bus
Website, if applicable: https://www.walnuthillapts.com/
Rent: $719
Distance from campus: 1.5 miles
Is the community gated? no
Parking available? yes
Pool? yes
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?

House rental
Address: 6066 Bantry Bay
How do you commute from home to school? car
Website, if applicable:
Rent: $750
Distance from campus: 7 minute drive, 20 min bike
Is the community gated? no
Parking available? yes
Pool? no
Pets? yes
Workout Facility? yes
Anything else you’d like to add?
My house's spare bedroom is available for rent. $750 per month includes all bills and utilities, kitchen and cabinet space, washer/dryer, internet, netflix, and fully furnished bedroom with high-end comfortable mattress. Email me at kotkowski@uthscsa.edu if interested.