Citi Habitats Graduate Relocation Program
Making the complex simple.

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<td>Citi Habitats Graduate Relocation Program provides graduating students with advantages that they cannot get by simply calling a broker they may discover online or elsewhere. It is modeled after Citi Habitats Corporate Relocation Program for business executives transferring to New York City.</td>
<td>1. Rather than work with a strictly commission-based broker, you call a salaried corporate relocation coordinator. This coordinator will answer your questions about the city and will take time to discuss your specific needs. 2. The corporate relocation coordinator will then carefully assign an agent to assist you based on your specific needs. 3. Once the matched agent finds a property with you, you’ll receive a preferred rate when paying a commission at lease signing.</td>
<td>1. There’s no obligation. No money exchanges hands until we personally secure your apartment. 2. Most NYC brokers won’t want to speak with you about the nuances of your apartment search until the move is upon you. Our salaried relocation coordinator will begin discussing your apartment needs as soon as you’d like, even if it’s months before your move. 3. The relocation coordinator will match you with an agent based on your specific needs. Our agents specialize in certain apartment types and neighborhoods—we’ll make sure you are working with the right agent. 4. In addition to all these benefits, you’ll receive a preferred commission rate when you sign a lease on your new apartment.</td>
<td>Generally, about five to six weeks before your move date is the best time to first contact us. But you can feel free to call us sooner, or certainly later.</td>
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After Cullen Hilkene graduated from Princeton University in the spring of 2004, he faced the common task of finding an apartment in New York City. After hours of dealing with misleading brokers, bait-and-switch ads, and many trips from campus to the city he and his roommates eventually found an apartment. One year later, Cullen joined Citi Habitats and developed a program to help graduates dealing with similar apartment-search troubles as he did.
We had only two days to find the right place in a restrictive budget. It was four of us...and a puppy! Our agent struck gold on his third showing and we signed that day. We now live in an ideal “first New York apartment” in Midtown East that boasts affordable rent and an extremely helpful superintendent.
- Justine H., University of Pennsylvania

[We] absolutely love our apartment...thanks again for all of your great help.
- Virginia A., Trinity and Macaulay S, Georgetown

I learned a lot about the process of getting an apartment in New York from our agent...he has as good a pulse on the market as anyone I know.
- Hakim T., Princeton

Our agent was very professional, always ready to take our call, and very attentive to our needs and wants. More than anything, he got us an awesome deal on our new apartment. The program worked out great for us.
- David E., Dartmouth

Excerpt From “It’s Spring. Let the Rental Season Begin.”

...Emily Somerville, hunting for her first rental...scoured online listings, visited roommate shares, felt weird about rooming with strangers, raised her price range and then called Sumi Vatsa of Citi Habitats [Graduate Relocation Program], to whom she had been referred...“I didn’t know what I was doing,” said Ms. Somerville, who will start a paralegal job next month after graduating from Princeton University. “I trusted Sumi to find something I would feel comfortable with and to cull the places that had problems. For me, it was worth every penny.

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