



TEXAS LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY  
**NURSING**

**MOVING GUIDE**  
NEW BRAUNFELS

## Small Town Feel Big City Options

Texas Lutheran University has two accelerated nursing degrees for those with degrees in other fields that will prepare you for a lifelong career as a compassionate and caring nurse. But did you know that our New Braunfels location affords an amazing opportunity to study nursing and experience the best that Texas has to offer? Let us share the highlights and the love!



**WELCOME TO NEW BRAUNFELS**



## Explore the Outdoors

New Braunfels is located in the heart of what we call Texas Hill Country. Locals can't get enough of the variety of outdoor activities the unique geography offers. You can float, kayak, or even paddleboard the Guadalupe or Comal rivers; equipment rentals are readily available, and food or drinks are even allowed. Texans call this area "the longest shortest river" as it can take 2-3 hours to complete its meandering route.

If you are the adventurous type, you'll want to check out the [Natural Bridge Caverns](#) where you can travel underground to explore the caverns, or enjoy a 4-story ropes course above ground.

[Landa Park](#) is yet another can't-miss outdoor playground. Walk on the park's trails or rent a paddle boat for one of the best ways to see the Comal Springs and Landa Lake up close.

If these activities all sound too strenuous, then [Schlitterbahn Water Park](#) might be just the excursion for you. With more than 140 acres of waterpark fun, free inner tubes, and season passes, it's easy to see why this is a popular activity. "Located just a stone's throw from downtown New Braunfels, Schlitterbahn grew out of the spring-fed Comal River and German heritage of the Hill Country. The park boasts 51 attractions, including uphill water coasters, wave pools, lazy rivers, kids' play areas, and speed slides."





## Music, Beer & Bratwurst

The up-and-coming music scene in this town is starting to rival those of Austin and San Antonio. With nightly music options, you will love exploring the many unique music venues of New Braunfels. Whether it's a night out at Gruene Hall, Texas' oldest dance hall, or enjoying an outdoor concert at Whitewater Amphitheater, there is no shortage of events or styles of music. Check this [events calendar](#) for upcoming concerts.

When you are ready to unwind from a long study session, there are plenty of watering holes to get your vibe on. There are quite literally dozens of [craft breweries and wineries](#) to choose from.

Most people immediately think BBQ when thinking of Texas cuisine, but New Braunfels' German heritage means they also know how to throw down on brats. [Wurstfest](#), a 10-day "salute to sausage", is an annual tradition and is New Braunfels' answer to Oktoberfest.

## Getting Here

The New Braunfels location is easily accessible from the I-35 freeway and centrally located between Austin and San Antonio. Public transportation in the area is limited so you will most likely need a vehicle when moving to New Braunfels. Maybe even a [golf cart](#) – ask a local, it's a thing!



New Braunfels Convention & Visitors Bureau



TEXAS LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY  
**NURSING**

## Welcome to Quaint and Historic Neighborhoods

Choosing the neighborhood that's right for you depends on your lifestyle. Consider [City Center](#) if you want to be in the heart of everything. Boasting affordable housing and plenty of nearby perks, this neighborhood offers coffee shops, bakeries, and other places to grab a snack. All within walking distance.

If peace, quiet, and tranquility are more what you need, [Canyon Lake](#) might suit you better. It's full of hiking and biking trails and of course, as the name suggests, a magnificent lake with more than 80 miles of shoreline, beaches, and campgrounds.

Or perhaps you just want to be as close to classes as possible. [Avenues at Creekside](#) is an all-inclusive community with 1 to 4-bedroom apartments offering a wide range of resort style amenities. No matter your preference, New Braunfels will have your perfect spot.

## We Are Here to Help, Y'all!

We understand that moving to attend a university is a significant step. Our dedicated team is here to support you throughout the transition, from helping you find suitable accommodations to offering guidance on scholarships, financial aid, and any other concerns you may have.

We invite you to visit our location and experience what makes Texas Lutheran special. Our admissions team would be delighted to arrange a personalized location tour, answer any questions you may have, and provide detailed information about the application process.

We look forward to welcoming you to New Braunfels – you are going to love it here.



## A Few Logistics

### [Interactive Maps](#)

Getting the lay of the land is easy with this collection of interactive maps.

### [Airports](#)

There are two major airports to choose from if flying to New Braunfels. San Antonio (SAT) Airport is 24 miles away, and Austin (AUS) is about 45 miles down the road.

### [Cost of Living](#)

According to Payscale.com, the cost of living in New Braunfels is -15% less than the national average. Use their handy [calculator](#) to compare to where you live now!

## Expected Housing Cost

You should expect to pay around \$800-\$1,200 for a studio or 1-bedroom apartment. Rents are on the decline by around -10% in New Braunfels according to [Zumper.com](#).

## Housing Questions to Ask

- How long is the lease, and is the lease length flexible?
- What utilities (such as heating and cable) are covered in the lease?
- Is there laundry in the building?

## Parking Considerations

Be sure to ask the property manager whether there is parking onsite/how much it costs, whether street parking is by permit only, and how difficult street parking is. You can also check this [interactive parking map](#) for more information.