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Section 102

Generally

Guidance

When underwriting a Student Housing Property or Dedicated Student Housing Property, you should consider the following questions:

- What percentage of units are leased to graduate students versus undergraduate students?
- Has the ratio of student to non-student tenants changed over the past several years?
- Is the Property marketable to non-student tenants, given the size, mix, and quality of the units?
- What is the rent structure? For example, are rents charged on a by unit basis or by bed basis?
- Who are the parties to the lease agreements? For example, are they typically signed by 1 tenant or all tenants, and/or co-signed by parents?
- What is the typical lease term?
- What is the enrollment outlook at the college/university?
- What is the student composition (i.e., full-time versus part-time) at the college/university?
- What are the current and forecasted supply and demand for student housing at the college/university? Will there be any college/university-sponsored construction?
- What is the Key Principal's experience with operating Student Housing Properties and Dedicated Student Housing Properties?
- What is the Property's proximity to campus? Can students walk to class and other campus locations?
- Is the Property conveniently located to a college/university-sponsored transportation line?
- Is the Property subject to a Ground Lease? If so, what are the structure and terms of the Ground Lease?

Requirements

If a Student Housing Property or Dedicated Student Housing Property is subject to a master lease, you must complete the Master Lease Review Checklist ([Form 6480](#)).



Glossary

D

Dedicated Student Housing Property

Multifamily rental Property in which 80% or more of the units are leased to undergraduate or graduate students.

Synonyms

- Dedicated Student Housing

G

Ground Lease

Contract for the rental of land, usually on a long term basis.

K

Key Principal

Person who

- controls and/or manages the Borrower or the Property,
- is critical to the successful operation and management of the Borrower and the Property, and/or
- may be required to provide a Guaranty.

Synonyms

- Key Principals
- Key Principal's

L

Lease

Written agreement between an owner and the tenant of a Property stipulating the conditions for possession and use of real estate for a specified period of time and rent.

Synonyms

- Leases

P



Property

Multifamily residential real estate securing the Mortgage Loan, including the

- fee simple or Leasehold interest,
- Improvements, and
- personal property (per the Uniform Commercial Code).

Synonyms

- Properties
- Property's

S

Student Housing Property

A multifamily residential rental property in which 40% or more, but less than 80%, of the units are leased to either undergraduate or graduate students.

Synonyms

- Student Housing