Hyde Park/Oakley

Each neighborhood in Cincinnati has its own unique personality, but the Hyde Park and Oakley areas are particularly attractive to young professionals. Hyde Park Square is a popular gathering place for many outdoor events and maintains an enviable variety of local shopping sites. Residents of the Oakley area enjoy a monthly street festival called “Oakley After Hours”, during which neighborhood retail and food establishments stay open late while patrons enjoy live entertainment by local artists.

Mount Adams

Mount Adams is one of Cincinnati’s seven hills and is known for its steep inclines and stunning views of the Ohio River and downtown. Young people are drawn to the popular bars and restaurants on its hilly, narrow streets. As this scenic neighborhood is just a short commute from UC’s campus, Mount Adams is also a popular housing location for graduate and professional students.

Clifton and Uptown

The University of Cincinnati’s Uptown Campus is in Clifton, just up the hill (uptown) from downtown Cincinnati. U Square@ the Loop is a new development near the College of Law with its own retail establishments, restaurants, apartments, and parking garages. North of campus on Clifton Avenue, the Clifton Gaslight District has long been reputed for its beautiful, historic homes. The Gaslight’s Ludlow Avenue business district is home to a breadth of independent shops, restaurants, and a movie theater specializing in independent and foreign films.

Northside

Northside is a diverse, pedestrian-friendly neighborhood a few miles northwest of the UC campus. It has a reputation as an artist community and many of Cincinnati’s original bands can be heard at the Northside Tavern. Northside’s eclectic shops and restaurants also make it a popular afternoon or weekend destination.
Newport

Newport, a waterfront town situated on the Ohio-Kentucky border, is a 15 minute drive from the University of Cincinnati College of Law. The area’s main attraction is Newport on the Levee, which hosts dozens of restaurants, a major movie theater, shopping, and a nationally recognized aquarium. Newport is also the location of the famous Hofbräuhaus, voted one of America’s Most Popular Bars by Buzzfeed in 2013. This beer hall and garden uses original recipes to brew its house beer in addition to its large menu of traditional Bavarian dishes.

Covington

Covington is located west of I-75 and boasts a large variety of unique restaurants, bars, and shopping. MainStrasse is Covington’s most notable neighborhood and plays host to a number of festivals throughout the year. Covington is located roughly 20 minutes from the College of Law, and is known for its spectacular views of the Cincinnati landscape. The city also connects to downtown Cincinnati through the Roebling Suspension Bridge, a famous Cincinnati landmark named after architect John A. Roebling, who also designed the iconic Brooklyn Bridge. Devou Park, in the Park Hills district, is another main feature of Covington that offers comfortable apartment living with dramatic views of downtown Cincinnati.

Bellevue

Bellevue is located just minutes from Newport on the Levee, but maintains a unique identity. This residential part of Northern Kentucky claims its own main strip of restaurants and shopping located on Fairfield Avenue while offering a short commute to campus.

Fort Thomas

Fort Thomas is a quiet community bordering both Newport and Bellevue that is known for its charming, small town appeal. The area’s great parks and supportive community make it a popular location for families and young professionals alike. Despite its removed, suburban feel, the city is only a short drive to both downtown Cincinnati and UC’s Uptown Campus.

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