What to Pack for the Residence Halls

Your residence hall room comes with an extra-long twin bed and mattress, desk and chair, dresser, closet or wardrobe, and limited built-in lighting. Rooms have tile floors and window blinds. In each hall, there is a laundry room with washers and dryers. Laundry is already included with the housing rate. All residence halls, not including apartments, have community style bathrooms. If possible, talk to your roommate when you are planning what to bring. Keep in mind that lofts are not allowed, and college-owned furniture may not be removed from your room. Check to see if you are covered on your parent’s homeowners or renter’s insurance – if not please look into renters’ insurance.

IDENTIFICATION
- Driver’s license or identification card
- Health insurance card/info
- Debit/credit cards/checkbook

MEDICATIONS
- Current written prescriptions
- Spare eyeglasses, contact lenses, supplies
- First aid supplies, headache/cold medicine, tissues

LINENS
- Pillow (1-2)
- Light blanket/heavy comforter for Twin or XL Twin
- Sheets for XL Twin bed (36” x 80”), 2 sets
- Mattress pad for XL Twin
- Towels – probably at least 2 bath, 2 hand, 2 face

PERSONAL ITEMS
- Winter weather gear: jacket, books, hats, etc.
- Rain gear: jacket and/or umbrella
- Workout gear
- Toiletries (toothpaste, hair care, soap, lotion, etc.)
- Hair dryer, curling/straightening iron, brush and comb
- Shower shoes and tote/bucket for items
- Bathrobe

LAUNDRY/CLOTHING CARE
- Detergent, fabric softener, stain remover
- Laundry basket, hamper or bag,
- Hangers
- Iron/steamer and mini-ironing board

SCHOOL STUFF
- Book bag/messenger bag
- Jump drive, storage device, etc.
- Computer supplies
- Binders, folders, paper, writing utensils, planner/calendar

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
- Surge protector, alarm clock
- Cleaning supplies ex: cleaning wipes
- Plastic stacking cubes, totes to store items

SNACKING STUFF
- Mug, cup, plate, silverware (1-2 of each would suffice)
- Non-perishable snack foods
- Microwaveable dish or pan for light cooking
- Small bottle of dishwashing detergent & sponge

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT
- Flashlight and batteries
- Bike with strong U-lock, inline skateboard or comfy shoes for outdoor recreation
- Board games/cards, frisbee, basketball, etc.
- TV, gaming device, etc.
- Coffee maker with auto shutoff
- Fan (only the Commons has AC)
- Cell phone/charger
- Computer, tablet, etc. with chargers

OPTIONAL DECORATION
- Posters, photos, artwork, calendar, pictures
- 3M Command or like product for hanging items
- Plants
- Small area rug (6’ x 8’ will work in all rooms)
- Desk lamp, floor lamp, lighting aspect

STUFF TO LEAVE AT HOME (Prohibited)
- Halogen, upward facing bowl and multi-arm lamps
- Toaster ovens, toasters, grills, sandwich makers, rice makers, air fryer, open coil appliances
- Air conditions, portable heaters
- Electrical cords (only surge protectors, please)
- Furniture
- Pets (with the exception of fish in 5 gallon tank or less)
- Candles, incense, or sent utilizing a flame
- All weapons, including firearms, knives, bb guns, swords, splat guns, fake guns, etc.
- Fireworks, propane, or explosives
- Temporary wallpaper, curtains, oversized tapestries
- Drugs (except prescription for that specific resident) and alcohol (alcohol prohibited in all residence halls except Commons when amount for personal use is possessed by student 21 or older)