

Things to connect on with your future roommate

The upside of small-space living with a roommate is sharing major appliances (roommate assignments are sent in June). Talk it over and figure out who's bringing what to share!

- Carpeting** — area rug, carpet squares or remnant carpet (12' x 15' is recommended)
Bonus: Some halls have carpeting!
- Futon/Couch** — Futon frame less than 80 inches to fit under lofted bed
- Room layout** — Watch for self-lifting instructions with your room assignment!
- Microwave** (900 watt or less is recommended)
- Gaming systems**
- TV**
- Mini-fridge** (any dorm size)
Bonus: You can rent one and support your hall council at collegeproducts.com

Here's what every residence hall double room has two of for you and your roommate

- Chairs**
- Desks**
- Dressers**
- Mattresses and bed frames**
- Mattress pads** (upon request)
- Wastebaskets**

Leave these behind

These items are fire hazards and **not allowed** in halls. Any item with an open heating element and most appliances used for cooking purposes (except microwaves) make this list.

- Air conditioner** (including portable)
- Air fryers**
- Candles**
- Deep fryer**
- Electric blanket**
- Electric candle warmer**
- Electric griddle**
- Electric mattress pad**
- Electric skillet**
- Electric wok**
- Fondue pot**
- George Foreman grill**
- Halogen lights**
- Halogen make-up mirror**
- Incense**
- Indoor/outdoor grill**
- Instapots**
- Lava/oil lamps**
- Pizza oven**
- Plug-in scents**
- Potpourri simmer pot**
- Rice cooker**
- Sandwich maker**
- Slowcooker/crock pot**
- Toaster**
- Toaster oven**
- Waffle maker**
- Wax warmers**

Move-in day tips

Packing up

- » Pack your vehicle the **night before** move-in day.
- » Pack your things in **easy-to-transport containers**, like plastic bins or boxes. Try to keep boxes at a manageable weight to avoid injury and soreness.
- » If you have one, **bring a dolly or moving cart**. They come in handy when moving.
- » Remember to **bring tools** to help while moving in, like a rubber mallet, carpet knife, carpet tape, duct tape, etc.

Morning of your day

- » Plan for **extra travel time**, just in case. To keep the day running smoothly, it's important to get there at your scheduled time.
- » Eat a **healthy breakfast** and bring granola bars to snack on. Moving in can take a while, and carrying boxes is no fun on an empty stomach.
- » **Wear comfortable shoes and clothes.**

Moving in

- » Keep an eye out for **parking rules and postings** to help find where you need to be.
- » **Check in** at your hall's front desk and get your room access
- » On move-in day, elevators are limited and available only in select halls. **Be prepared to use the stairs!**
- » **Housing is here to help!** Housing personnel and student helpers will be on site to answer your questions and help you move in.
- » **Look for Chancellor Jim** on move-in day, and follow him on Twitter (@ChancellorJim)!
- » **Need a drink?** Stop by the Front Desk of Towers to purchase water, soda, etc.

Safety **dos** and **don'ts** of living on your own

Do ...

- » **Do carry your Blugold Card** (student ID) **with you — everywhere.** You will need it to access select residence halls and academic buildings, use your meal plan, borrow materials from the library and so much more! In Towers, Chancellors and The Suites, you will use this to access your room. Keep it with you so you don't get a lock-out charge.
- » **Do keep your door locked** if you and your roommate aren't home.
- » **Do store sensitive information** and valuables in a safe or a locked drawer.
- » **Do tape down electrical cords out of foot's reach.** Tripping isn't fun, and it's even less fun if your TV or microwave falls with you.

Don't ...

- » **Don't abandon your stuff**, particularly your laptop. If you need to step away for a few minutes, make sure a friend is there to watch it.
- » **Don't overload your electrical outlets** or power strips, and never plug a power strip into another power strip. If it feels hot, make sure to unplug it.
- » **Don't microwave metal** or anything that's not microwave-safe.
- » **Don't give your door combination code** to other people. That way you won't get unexpected guests, whether you're home or not.