

PACKING FOR COLLEGE

You don't need to pack your whole room to come to college, but you'll want to make sure that you have some odds and ends covered. This list isn't inclusive, but there are some things we couldn't live without once we got here.

YOU SHOULD BRING

- Alarm clock
- Backpack
- Calendar
- Calling card or cell phone and charger
- Checkbook
- Cleaning supplies (including paper towels!)
- Clothes and shoes that can get dirty (for Service First and other projects you may get involved in)
- Comforter, blankets, and pillows
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs
- Desk lamp
- Dry erase board and markers
- Envelopes and stamps
- Face mask
- First-aid kit
- Flashlight
- Hammer and tools
- Hangers, shoe rack, and plastic hooks
- Health insurance information
- Heavy winter coat
- ID/Driver's license
- Laundry bag and detergent
- Painter's tape
- Power strips and extension cords
- Prescription medication(s)
- Reusable grocery totes
- Reusable water bottle
- School supplies
- Shampoo and body wash
- Sheets (twin, extra long)
- Shower shoes and shower caddy
- Small fan
- Towels (more than one!)
- Trash can
- Umbrella

YOU SHOULD NOT BRING

- Air-conditioning units
- Candles
- Electric appliances with exposed coils
- Gas grills or charcoal grills
- Guns/weapons
- Halogen lamps
- Hot plates
- Incense
- Pets (other than fish)
- Toasters
- Water beds

YOU MAY ALSO CONSIDER

- Bed raisers
- Bicycle and bike lock
- Board games
- Cooking utensils
- Cups, Plates and Utensils (try using real plates and utensils to reduce paper and plastic waste!)
- Desk-chair cushion
- Desk organizer
- Digital camera
- Energy Star computer
- Energy Star TV (and DVDs and videos)
- Ethernet cord
- Extra shelving units, crates, plastic containers, filing cabinet
- Febreze
- Kleenex
- Microwave
- Portable vacuum
- Small energy star refrigerator (no larger than 4 cubic feet)
- Sponge and dish soap
- Stereo
- Suit and/or semi-formal attire for special events you may attend
- Under-bed storage bins

In a standard room, you'll find:

XL Twin bed	Dresser
Desk	Blinds
Chair	Recycling Bin

TIPS

- Talk with your roommate(s) prior to packing so you can avoid bringing duplicate items
- Save the boxes you bring your stuff in for when you have to pack up again in May
- Memorize your room number and campus box number right away
- You can do a lot of shopping after you arrive and have seen your room
- Order items ahead of time from the Bed, Bath & Beyond in your hometown, and pick them up in St. Louis!