

Hiram College

Office of Residential & Commuter Education

Suggested Packing List 2010-2011

Don't wait until the last minute to purchase the things you need to live in the residence halls! It's much easier to make most purchases at home, pack, and bring the items with you to campus. Should you forget something on arrival day, essential item shopping is available within 3 miles of campus and department store shopping is about 15 miles from campus.

International students should contact Taryn Hale, Director of International Student Services for further information.

With all of confusion of moving in and for the benefit of folks who may be carrying your load, it is wise to clearly label your belongings with your name, hall, and room number.

General questions may be directed to the Office of Residential and Commuter Education at (330) 569-5232.

We Provide the Following:

- Bed frame and mattress (Twin, Extra Long 80")
- Desk
- Desk Chair
- Dresser
- Closet/Armoire
- Mirror
- Shades or blinds
- Ceiling light
- Telephone, telephone line, and port
- Cable television port
- Hardwired Internet connection port
- Vacuums are available in each area office
- Kitchenettes on each floor provide a sink, microwave, and recycling services

Essentials

- Quarters for the vending machines
- State ID/Driver's License
- Passport, certified birth certificate, or Social Security card (needed to work on campus)
- Medical insurance card

- Automobile insurance card
- Checkbook, debit card, and/or credit card
- Prescriptions, medicine, and vitamins

Room Essentials

- Comforter/Bed spread/Blankets
- Bed Linens (Twin, Extra Long 80")
- Mattress Pad
- Pillow(s) and pillow case(s)
- Alarm clock
- Flashlight
- Electric fan
- Desk or reading lamp (no halogens)
- Small sewing kit
- First aid kit with bandages, pain reliever, antiseptic
- Cleaning supplies
- Surge protectors (with a self-tripping circuit breaker)/extension cords (minimum 14 gauge)
- Trash can and trash bags

Laundry Essentials

- Laundry hamper/bag/basket
- Laundry detergent
- Fabric softener sheets
- Stain remover
- Fabric freshener (ie: Febreze)

Kitchen Essentials

- Paper towels and napkins
- Antibacterial dish soap
- Small sponges
- Microwaveable plates/bowls/cups/mugs/reusable utensils
- Plastic airtight containers
- Zip locking bags

School Supplies

- Laptop and Ethernet cable
- Laptop case/bag
- Printer (optional) and extra ink
- Book bag/back pack
- Desk calendar (we provide a daily planner)
- Calculator
- White out
- Stapler and extra staples
- Staple remover
- Sticky notes
- Rubber bands

- Tape
- Pens/pencils
- Highlighters
- Markers, crayons, colored pencils
- Dry erase markers
- Notebooks/notebook paper/binders/folders
- Paper clips and safety pins
- Scissors
- Index cards
- Stationary, stamps, and envelopes
- Three hole punch

In Your Closet and Drawers

- Hangers
- Air freshener
- Casual clothing (ie: jeans, t-shirts)
- Socks and Underwear
- Pajamas
- Swim suit
- Semi-formal attire (dress shirt and tie/dress)
- Tennis shoes
- Slippers/house shoes
- Shower shoes (flip flops)
- Winter coat, gloves, hat, scarf
- Winter boots
- Umbrella
- Light jacket/hooded sweatshirts
- Workout gear

Bathroom Essentials

- Shower caddy
- Bath towels
- Bathrobe/large bath towel
- Soap/shower gel
- Wash cloths or shower puff
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Hair care products
- Toothbrush, toothpaste and holder
- Dental floss
- Mouthwash
- Cotton swabs
- Tissues
- Deodorant
- Razor and shaving cream
- Comb/brush
- Hair dryer, curling/flat iron (with auto shut off)
- Contact lenses and solution

Non-Essentials

- Radio/Stereo/MP3 player/CDs and headphones

- Television and long coaxial cable
- VCR/DVD player
- Movies
- Video game systems and games
- Digital camera and media storage
- Mobile phone
- Answering machine
- Wall decorations (pictures, posters, removable cling on décor, etc)
- 3M Command strips/poster adhesive/non staining sticky tack (no nails or tacks, please)
- Window treatments and expansion rods (shades/blinds provided)
- Storage crates/boxes/under the bed storage
- Room carpet (no adhesive please)
- Futon/additional seating
- Iron and ironing board
- Mini-refrigerator (3 cubic feet max, 117 volt, 60 cycle AC, 45 watts, 1.5 amp, thermetically sealed, self-lubricating compressor, 3'3" high, 18" wide, 21" deep maximum)
- Microwave
- Coffee maker
- Playing cards/board games
- Pleasure reading books
- Flash drive (2G or more)
- Small safe
- Lo-Jack software (also available in the Hiram Bookstore); laptop locking cable
- Small tool kit
- Sports equipment
- Sun screen and insect repellent
- Address book
- Dictionary/thesaurus

Items to Leave at Home

- Electric skillet
- Hot plate (any cooking unit with an exposed heating element. George Foreman grills are emitted in the kitchenettes only.)
- Immersion heating devices
- Oil popcorn poppers
- Toasters/toaster ovens
- Outlet adapters
- Halogen lamps
- Space heaters
- Sun lamps
- Cordless phones (of 2.4 gigahertz)
- Low gauge extension cords (minimum 14 gauge)
- Air conditioners (unless you have consent from the Health Center & Residential Education)

- Candles
- Potpourri burner/incense
- Waterbeds
- Lofts (where lofting is provided by the College)
- Contact paper/wallpaper/wall paint
- Stolen property (ie: street signs)
- Weapons (including small knives)/firearms/fireworks

Don't be overwhelmed! Many items can be shared amongst roommates. Plan ahead and communicate with your roommate about what each person is bringing to campus.