

WHAT TO BRING

Packing for school can seem to be a big project.

How do we fit everything into one room?

Here are some suggestions on what to bring (and what not to bring) that can make figuring out exactly what to pack a bit easier.

Don't worry though. Anything you forget can be bought here.

You may even want to wait and buy some of the harder to pack things here.

Room Accessories

Carpet*
Bookshelves/plastic shelves*
Refrigerator* (can be bought or rented on campus)
Picture frames and lots of pics
TV and VCR
Stereo
Portable Phone (if you choose to have a campus phone in your room...most people go with cell phones only!)
Alarm Clock
Posters/Room Decorations
Extra hangers
Extension Cords/Power Strips
Stackable Crates
Dry Erase Board for your door
Clip Lamp for your bed
Adhesive Hooks
Other adhesives/poster tape
Small pieces of furniture*
Extra lamp
Storage Containers

Laundry Supplies

Drying rack
Laundry bag
Laundry basket
Detergent and Bleach
Fabric Softener
Dryer Sheets
Quarters (Wash/Dry one load is about \$2.50, but you can do a load for \$2.00 if you use Domer Dollars!)

Desk and School Supplies

Personal Computer*
Bible, Dictionary, Thesaurus
Paper (printer, loose-leaf, etc.)
Notebooks, pens, etc.
Fun-tak, push-pins
White out
Stapler and Staples
Address Book
Ruler/Calculator
Glue/Scissors/Tape
Calendar/Daily Planner
Paper Clips/Rubber Bands
3 Ring Hole Punch

Bedding and Linens

Pillow
Pillowcases
Sheets (regular twin size)
Reclining Pillow
Towels, Washcloths
Beach Towel
Mattress Pad (egg crate, etc.)
Throw Pillows
Comforter/Bedsread

Personal Care Items

Sewing Kit
Hair Dryer
Curling Iron
Shower bucket or tote
Toiletries (shampoo, toothpaste etc)
Cotton Balls/Q-Tips
Band-Aids
Tissues
Tylenol/Advil
Safety Pins
Cosmetic Organizer
Make-up Mirror
Medicines
Cough and Cold Medicine

Kitchen Supplies

Paper Towels
Dishes/Mugs/Cups
Paper Plates
Silverware
Non-perishable food (hot cocoa etc.)

Clothing

Shower Flip-Flops
Swimsuit (needed for PE swim test)
Jewelry
Robe
Formal Dress/Dress Shoes
Short Dresses for SYRs
Fun "club" outfits
Dress Clothes (dresses, skirts, etc.)
Sneakers/Gym Shoes
Undergarments
Socks
Gloves/Scarves/Hats
A HEAVY winter coat (you can buy this here)
Raincoat/Jacket
Shoes
Jeans/Shorts/Sweats
Shirts (t-shirts/long sleeved)
HEAVY sweaters
Pajamas
Snow Boots
Slippers

Miscellaneous

Backpack
Bike
Umbrella
Movies
Hammer/Nails
Masking Tape (is really handy to just have around the room!!!)
Photo album/Scrapbook
Flashlight
Tapes and CDs
Musical Instrument
Sports Equipment

Things You Don't Need

Iron & Ironing Board (every bathroom has both)

Fan (We're air-conditioned!!) (unless you like one at night)

Trash Can (each room has one)

Vacuum (Each floor has a janitorial closet equipped with cleaning supplies, light bulbs, and a vacuum)

Microwave (these aren't allowed in the rooms, but there are a few throughout the dorm)

Answering Machine (the dorm phones are equipped with voicemail)

Note

Most of these items are suggestions, not requirements. This list is a compilation of items that are highly recommended to make a dorm room feel like home.

Also, a ton of things can be bought in South Bend, so don't worry if you can't find it at home!

Don't feel pressured to bring absolutely everything in August. You can hold off with the thick sweaters and warm coats until after fall break (probably!)

Keep in mind: during frosh-o weekend, there is an event called 'fall mall'. Conveniently located in Stepan Center, this 'store' offers basically all dorm essentials, including carpets, futons, and perhaps most importantly of all, posters to make your room truly yours!

Ladies, please don't forget to also pack a 2" x 3" personal photo!!!