

College Moving Checklist

Sleep

- Alarm clock (consider a combo unit with a lamp or a dock for your phone)
- Bedding (confirm the bed size with the housing office)
- Throw blanket
- Mattress pad
- Pillow case
- Pillows
- Under-mattress bedside caddy/storage pocket (handy if you have a loft bed)

Bath and Personal Care

- Cosmetics (skincare, sunscreen)
- Eyeglasses/contact lenses and solution
- First aid kit (bandages, cotton swabs, ointments, etc.)
- Hairbrush/Comb
- Hairdryer
- Hand towels
- Hygiene products (deodorant, perfume, etc.)
- Manicure kit
- Medicine kit (prescriptions, cold medicine, pain reliever, stomach relief, vitamins, etc.)
- Robe
- Shower caddy (and a drying mat or tray for underneath it when not in use)
- Shower shoes
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, razor, etc.)
- Toothbrush holder
- Towels and washcloths

For private or suite-style baths, you may also need:

- Bath rug
- Shower curtain
- Toilet paper
- Trash can

Laundry

- Clothing steamer or iron/ironing board (only if you regularly use them)
- Detergent (laundry pods or liquid work best)
- Dryer sheets or fabric softener
- Drying rack
- Fabric Refresher or wrinkle-release spray
- Hamper or laundry bag
- Hangers
- Lint brush
- Quarters
- Stain Remover

Cooking

- Can opener
- Chip clips
- Coffee maker or electric kettle
- Mug
- Filtered water pitcher
- Food storage containers
- Plates, cups and bowls (make sure they're microwave safe)
- Shelf-stable foods and snacks (breakfast cereal, canned soups, instant oatmeal, microwavable pasta, protein bars, etc.)
- Utensils (disposable or washable flatware)
- Water bottle
- Zip-top bags

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Cooking Continued

Depending on what your dorm offers, you might also need:

- Microwave
- Mini fridge

Cleaning

- Air freshener or diffuser
- All-purpose multi-surface cleaner
- Broom and dustpan
- Paper towels and holder
- Vacuum (a stick vacuum works great for dorm rooms)
- Dust wipes
- Small trash can and trash bags

Storage and Décor

- Adhesive hooks/picture hangers
- Corkboard/pushpins
- Desk organizers
- Dry-erase board/markers
- Full-length mirror (if your room doesn't already have one)
- Hanging closet organizer
- Pictures and frames for walls/desk
- Rugs
- Shoe storage (shelves or over-the-door)
- Under-bed storage bins/drawers

Entertainment and Tech Supplies

- Batteries
- Bluetooth or phone dock speaker
- Extension cord/surge protector
- Extra-long phone charging cord
- Gaming console
- Headphones
- Laptop and bag (don't forget the charger!)
- Printer and ink (if you don't have easy access to a lab)
- TV/streaming device and any cords needed
- USB storage drive

Clothing and Shoes

- Athletic clothing and shoes
- Cold weather gear (coat, hat, gloves, scarf, depending on climate)
- Comfortable everyday shoes/sneakers
- Dress/professional clothing and shoes
- Everyday wear
- House shoes or slippers
- Lightweight sweater or jacket
- One formal outfit
- Pajamas/loungewear
- Rain gear (boots and jacket)
- Socks
- Swimsuit
- Underwear

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- Backpack or tote bag
- Calculator
- Handy tools (pencil sharpener, ruler, scissors, stapler, staples, staple remover, tape)
- Paper products (folders, index cards, loose paper, notebooks, planner, sticky notes)
- Stamps, stationery and envelopes (for old-school keeping in touch)
- Writing instruments (highlighters, markers, pens, pencils)

Miscellaneous

- Air purifier
- Bicycle (bike lock, helmet)
- Copies of important documents like birth certificate and Social Security card
- Fan
- Hammock
- Overnight bag or small suitcase for travel
- Picnic blanket
- Sewing kit (safety pins, extra buttons and supplies for mending)
- Super glue
- Tool kit
- Umbrella

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