



Dorm Essentials: What to Bring and What Not to Bring

Traditional Program

The following items are highly recommended for use during the academic year for those students in the traditional program (civilian). While not mandatory, bringing these items can help you stay organized and comfortable. To save space and avoid duplication, we encourage you to coordinate with your roommate and/or suitemates before arrival. Duplicate items are permitted, but please note that they may limit available space.

What to Bring

- **Furniture:** All essential furniture is provided by the college, including a bed, mattress, desk, chair, and dresser or wardrobe. The only outside furniture permitted is a computer or gaming chair (e.g., couches, futons, coffee tables, etc. are not allowed).
- **Wastebaskets:** Small trash and recycling bins. Trash rooms are also located on each floor.
- **Linens:** Mattress size is approximately 38" x 80". Bring sheets, pillows, pillowcases, blankets, and towels.
- **Television:** A cable-ready television and coaxial cable for hookup.
- **Laundry & Clothing:** Laundry bag, hangers or closet organizers, and personal clothing.
- **Storage:** Storage containers that fit under your bed. Typical under-bed clearance ranges from 19.5 to 33 inches when lofted or adjusted. Please note that not all beds can be lofted.
- **Cleaning Supplies:** Residents are responsible for cleaning their room and shared bathroom.
- **Bathroom Items:** Shower caddy, shower curtain, shower shoes/slippers.
- **Personal Hygiene:** Toilet paper and daily toiletry items.
- **Room Essentials:** Desk lamp, alarm clock, flashlight, batteries, and a first-aid kit.
- **Rug:** One area rug per room (maximum size: 8' x 10').
- **Mirror and Lamp**
- **Refrigerator:** Each resident may bring one small refrigerator (maximum 5 cubic feet; must be energy-efficient). We also encourage students to share.
- **Microwave:** A small microwave is permitted. Recommended size: 0.7–0.9 cubic feet with 700–900 watts.
- **MicroFridge Option:** Residents may consider purchasing or renting a MicroFridge unit (combined refrigerator and microwave).
- **Television (Optional):** No size restriction; however, students should consider limited space when selecting a TV.
- **School Supplies:** Including, but not limited to, a backpack, notebooks, pens, pencils, erasers, correction fluid, calculator, desktop or laptop computer, and an optional printer.
- Two surge protectors/power strips must be UL **equipped with an external circuit breaker/resettable switch**.

Additional Recommendation

We strongly recommend purchasing renters or homeowners' insurance to cover potential losses in the residence halls. The College is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged personal belongings. Please also record the serial numbers of valuable items you bring to campus.

What NOT to Bring

The items listed below are NOT allowed in the residential halls. Students found in violation will be fined and items will be removed.

- Air Conditioners
- Amplifier or entertainment system
- Appliances with open coils, hot plates, toasters
- Bed risers/lifts
- Candles
- Carpet greater than 8' x 10' (multiple rugs/floor coverings are not approved)
- Colored light bulbs (e.g. Black lights)
- Deep fryers and Air Fryers
- Electric blankets
- Extension cords/Multiple plug adapter **without** built-in surge protection
- Fireworks/Explosives
- Flammable or combustible items
- Furniture not supplied by the College must conform to California Bulletin 117 & 133. and be approved by Housing. **The only outside furniture that is authorized are computer/gaming chairs (e.g. no couches, futons, coffee tables etc.)**
- Halogen Lamps/Strobe Lights/Sun lamps/UV bulbs
- High wattage equipment
- Holiday Lights (only LED lights are approved)
- Humidifiers/Dehumidifiers greater than one gallon
- Incense of any kind/hookahs
- International converters must be surge protection type
- Lava lamps or electric novelty items
- Live holiday decorations (e.g. Christmas trees)
- More than one arm chair (45" wide max.) or does not meet Cal. Bul.117, 133
- More than one fish tank (10 gal. max.)
- More than one flag/tapestry per person (3' x 5' max). Dart boards prohibited
- More than one fridge (1.8 cu. ft. max.) per person or have more than one (2.5 cu. ft. max.) per room
- More than one poster per person (2' x 3' max.). A wall covered > 20% as determined by Housing
- Octo-lamps with plastic shades or lamp with no shade, clip on lamps, hanging lamps
- Outdoor Grills/electric grill or skillets, popcorn poppers
- Propane or compressed gas, e.g. scuba tanks, paint ball tanks, etc.
- Silly string/Holiday garland
- Space heaters
- Waterbeds, personal mattress, air mattress, exceptions determined by Housing and Health Officials