

# The Ultimate Packing List



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The following items are recommended. Please pack wisely and to suit your personal preferences.

## BEDDING

- Mattress Cover/Protector
- Comforter Set or Duvet Set
- Mattress Pad
- Pillows
- Pillow Cases
- Twin XL Sheets

## ROOM DECOR

- Wall Art (Posters, etc.)
- Photos and Picture Frames
- Flame Resistant Curtains
- Non-Slip Area Rugs
- Dry Erase Board or Bulletin Board
- Bean Bag Chair or Comfy Chair
- Small Bookshelf
- Desk Lamps (no Halogen lamps or bulbs)
- Tension Rod (can be used for both the closets and windows in McNair)
- Adhesive Strips (recommend 3M command strips or painters tape)
- Alarm Clock
- Closet Organizer
- Floor Lamp
- Trash Can

## BATHROOM

- Towels/Washcloths
- Flip Flops
- Toothbrush/Soap Case
- Mesh Sponge
- Robe

- Slippers
- Non-Slip Floor Mat/Rug
- Hair Supplies
- Air Freshener
- Shower Cap
- Shower Curtain
- Toiletries
- Toilet Paper

## DESK/SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Backpack
- Planner/Calendar
- Desk Organizer
- Light Bulbs (no halogen bulbs)
- Calculator
- Notebooks
- Pens/Pencils
- Folders
- Post-It Notes
- Tape
- White-Out/Correction Fluid
- Highlighters
- Markers
- Binder Clips
- Binders
- Envelopes
- Erasers
- Glue
- Hole Punch
- Notebook paper
- Paper clips
- Pencil sharpener
- Rubber bands

- Ruler
- Scissors
- Stamps
- Staple Remover
- Stapler/Staples
- Textbooks

## TECH

- Laptop/Computer/Tablet
- Ethernet Cable
- HDMI Cable
- Coaxial Cable/ TV Cable
- External Hard Drive
- Headphones
- Portable Fan
- Power Strip (UL approved, 1.5 amp circuit breaker)
- TV
- Stereo
- Batteries
- Camera
- Microwave (not to exceed 1000 watts)
- Refrigerator (no larger than 4 cubic feet and 12 running amps)
- Blender/Crockpot/Small Coffee Pots/Single Serve Coffeemakers (with automatic shut off)
- Mobile Phone
- Chargers

## STORAGE & ORGANIZATION

- Under-bed storage
- Storage totes and bins
- Duffle Bag
- Clothes Hangers

- First Aid Kit
- Flashlight
- Batteries
- Toolkit
- Umbrella
- Bug Spray
- Medications

## LAUNDRY AND CLEANING

- Drying Rack
- Fabric Softener
- Garment Bag
- Iron (must have an automatic shut off)
- Small Ironing Board
- Laundry Detergent
- Laundry Hamper or Bag
- Dryer Sheets
- Lint Brush
- Portable Stain Remover Pen
- Stain Remover
- All Purpose Cleaner
- Cleaning Cloth
- Hand Vacuum/Stick Vacuum
- Broom/Dustpan
- Step Stool
- Basin/Toilet/Counter Cleaner
- Disinfectant
- Sponges
- Trash Bags
- Paper Towels

## CLOTHES (NECESSARY)

- Business Casual Attire:**  
Collared/Polo Shirt, Trousers, Khakis, Blouses and Dresses with sleeves. Knee-Length or longer Dresses and Skirts
- Business Attire:**  
Button-Down Shirt, Jacket, Slacks, Tie, Business Suit, Knee-Length or longer Dresses and Skirts, Pants Suit, Closed-Toe Shoes, Heels - 3" or less
- Casual/Everyday Attire:**  
Jeans, T-Shirts, Shorts, Sundresses, Sneakers, Sandals, Flip Flops
- Athletic Wear/Swimwear:**  
Sports, Gym, Fitness Center, Pool

*Each student has a bed, dresser, desk, chair and closet. All sizes are approximate:*

### Room Size

Double: 15' x 11'

### Window Sizes

Main: 50' H x 52' W

Top: 15' H x 11' 1" W

### Bed: Standard Twin or XL Twin

Lofted (Floor to Top): 40.5" H

Lofted (Floor to Frame): 30.5" H

### Closet Sizes

41" W x 73" H

### Desk

42" W x 22" D x 30.5" H

### Floor to Ceiling

8' 8" H

### Dresser

3' W x 22" D x 30.5" H

## PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Candles/Incense
- Sun Lamps
- Candle Warmers/Hot Plates, Wax Warmers
- Ceiling Fans
- Cooking Appliances (Includes: Broilers, Toasters, Toaster Ovens, Hot Plates, Pressure Cookers, Convection Cooking Items)
- Appliances with an open flame, coil, or heating unit
- Halogen Lamps/ Bulbs
- Extension Cords/Splitters
- Wireless Routers
- Bed Risers
- Electric Blanket
- Space Heater
- Window/Personal Air Conditioners
- Paper Lanterns or Lamps
- Weapons
- Fireworks
- Decorative Alcohol Containers
- Live Christmas Trees
- Pets (Fish in 10 gallon tank, or smaller, are permitted)
- No more than 2 power strips may be used in a room at a time
- Bleach - cannot be used in campus washing machines

### Tips

- Contact your roommate(s) or suite mates to coordinate who brings what. There is not enough space in the rooms for two or three of each of these things.
- Pack your belongings into labeled totes/boxes to prevent loss during the move-in process. Loose items can easily be lost or misplaced during the residential move-in process.