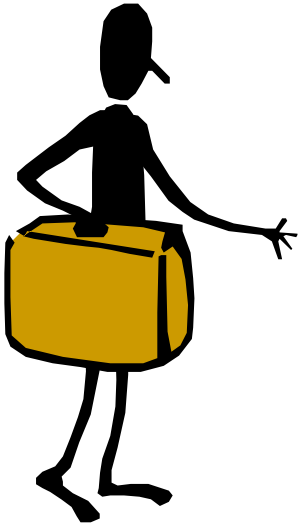


WMU RESIDENCE LIFE

What to Bring Check List



Clothing

- Athletic shoes or sneakers
- Bathing suit
- Baseball cap
- Bathrobe for making your way down the hall to the bathroom
- Boots
- Coat
- Dressy shoes to go with your outfit
- Favorite t-shirts
- Gloves or mittens
- Winter hat
- Jackets-light for cool weather, heavy for cold
- Jeans
- Jewelry
- Lint brush or tape roller
- Pajamas
- Pantyhose and/or tights
- Purses
- Raincoat
- Rubber flip flops for shower
- Sandals
- Scarf
- Shorts
- Small sewing kit
- Socks and underwear
- Slippers or scuffs
- Sunglasses
- Sweats and comfy clothes
- Sweaters
- Ties
- Watch

Space Saver Tip: Don't bring a four-season wardrobe. Rotate things out as the seasons change.

Decoration

- Blankets or comforters
- Carpet or area rug
- Cork bulletin board
- Houseplant
- Pictures of family and friends
- Posters and pictures for your walls
- Push pins or thumbtacks for your bulletin board
- Room deodorizer – no candles or incense please
- Self-stick adhesive (3-M makes a good kind that doesn't peel paint from the walls!)
- Small bookcase
- Stuffed bear or other favorite stuffed animal
- Tape (scotch tape for school and painter's tape to hang things on the walls)

Finance

- ATM card
- Cash
- Checkbook
- Credit card
- Driver's license or state ID
- Prepaid calling card
- Quarters for doing laundry

Electric/Entertainment

- Alarm clock
- Answering machine or voice mail service
- Batteries
- Cable cord for cable-ready televisions
- Cards and games
- Camera
- Cell phone
- Clock
- Computer
- Extension cords (UL rated)
- Fan
- Film
- Flashlight
- Headphones
- Lamp
- Personal stereo and favorite CDs or tapes.
- Printer
- Surge protector or power strip
- Telephone
- TV/DVD and movies

Personal Documents

- Class schedule
- Copy of birth certificate
- Medical insurance card
- Social security card

Study Aids

- Binders
- Calculator
- Calendar
- Computer & accessories
- Dictionary
- Earplugs
- Folders
- Highlighter pen
- Hole punch
- Loose-leaf paper
- Markers
- Notebooks
- Note cards
- Organizer or daily planner
- Pens
- Pencils and erasers
- Printer and printer paper
- Rubber bands
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Stapler, staples and staple remover
- Thesaurus
- White-Out
- Writer's guide or grammar book

This comprehensive list was adapted from CollegeView.com.

Personal Care

- Aspirin or other pain reliever
- Baking soda
- Bible or religious work of choice
- Broom or vacuum cleaner (also available at the front desk)
- Brush and comb
- Chapstick
- Contact lens care products
- Cotton balls and/or swabs
- Curling iron
- Dental floss
- Deodorant
- Disinfectant
- Drying rack for laundry
- Egg crate foam mattress/ mattress pad
- Extra eyeglasses or contacts
- Eye drops
- Fabreeze
- Face wash
- Feminine care products
- First aid kit
- Hair dryer
- Hair care products/accessories
- Iron with auto-shutoff feature
- Journal or diary
- Laundry detergent and stain remover
- Lotion
- Makeup
- Nail clippers and file
- Nail polish remover
- Over-the-counter stomach meds, like antacids, anti-diarrheal, Pepto Bismol and things for congestion, like decongestants, cough medicine and throat lozenges
- Pillow
- Photo album of friends and family
- Prescription medications /refills
- Q-tips
- Razor, shaving cream, deodorant and other toiletries
- Safety pins
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Sheets and pillowcases
- Shower cap
- Small tool kit
- Soap or shower gel
- Sunscreen
- Thermometer
- Tissues
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Towels and washcloths
- Tweezers
- Umbrella
- Vitamins

Dishes and Food

- Aluminum foil or Saran Wrap
- Brown paper lunch bags
- Can opener
- Coffee cup or mug
- Coffee maker to use in the hall kitchen (auto-shutoff recommended)
- Cutting Board
- Dishes: a few plates, silverware, cups and glasses, storage containers
- Dishwashing liquid
- Favorite soft drink or bottled water
- Filtered water pitcher

Organization and Storage

- Address book
- Backpack
- Basket for shower items
- Bicycle and bicycle lock
- Calendar
- Closet organizer
- Clothes pins for everything from keeping the chips closed to hanging things to dry
- Daily planner /PDA
- Desk organizer
- Drying rack for clothes you don't want to put in the dryer
- Envelopes
- Extra car key

What NOT to Bring

- Air conditioners
- Appliances with exposed heating elements (i.e. toasters)
- Candles & incense
- George Forman style grill

- Ice cube trays
- Microwave (under 0.5 cubic feet)
- Paper towels, napkins, dishcloths
- Plastic wrap
- Ramen noodles and mac and cheese – classics!
- Salt and pepper shakers
- Self-sealing plastic bags
- Small refrigerator or rent a MicroFridge
- Stockpile of candy, gum and other favorite treats
- Twisties
- Water bottle

- Flashlights
- Footlocker, storage box or trunk
- Garbage bags
- Glue and/or superglue
- Hangers
- Laundry bag or basket
- Lock box or money box
- Magnets for posting things on refrigerator or microwave
- Makeup holder/case
- Plastic crates to store your stuff
- Small suitcase
- Stationery and stamps
- Tape

- Halogen lamps (floor lamps)
- Space heaters
- Weapons (i.e. paint guns, air/C02 guns, martial arts weapons, knives, etc.)

