

Packing for College

Packing for college and/or your first apartment can be intimidating — but also very fun! Below is a list of essential items for your home away from home.

Note: Dunwoody strongly encourages residents to obtain renter's insurance and/or explore options with your parents' or guardians' home insurance to cover your items while living in your apartment.

Recommended items to bring

For your individual room:

- Mattress, box spring, sheets, pillows, and blankets
- Alarm clock
- Desk and chair
- Desk lamp
- Office/desk supplies (e.g., USB flash drives, pens and pencils, highlighter, stapler, sticky notes, index cards, white out, paper clips, scissors, notebooks, envelopes, stamps, batteries, etc.)
- Dresser
- Nightstand
- Curtains
- 3M command strips, hooks, and hang tabs for posters and art
- Clothes hangers
- Electrical surge protector
- Towels
- Bath mat
- Shower curtain, liner, and rings
- Trash bags and small trash can for room and bathroom
- Laundry detergent, fabric softener, and dryer sheets
- Laundry bag or basket
- Bathroom cleaning supplies (e.g., all purpose cleaner, toilet brush, plunger, etc.)
- Toilet paper
- Storage bins/containers
- Toiletries (e.g., shampoo, soap, toothpaste, floss, cotton swabs, hair dryer, etc.)
- First-aid kit
- Headphones
- Personal documents (e.g., checks, emergency contact list, health/dental insurance cards, car registration, insurance information, etc.)

For the common areas:

If you are living with other roommates, it is a good idea to plan out who is bringing what as you may want to double or triple up on certain items (and avoid doing so on others).

- Couch and/or living room chairs
- TV stand, TV, and DVD player
- Kitchen table and chairs
- Lamp
- Microwave
- Coffeepot
- Toaster
- Pots and pans
- Colander
- Cooking utensils (e.g., spatulas, spoons, tongs, whisk, etc.)
- Cutting boards
- Can opener
- Pot holders
- Silverware and silverware organizer
- Ice cube trays
- Plates and bowls
- Cups and mugs
- Chip clips
- Plastic storage bags
- Food storage containers
- Paper towels
- Sponges
- Hand/dish towels
- Dish drying rack
- Trash bags
- Soap for hand washing
- Vacuum
- Broom with dustpan
- Trash and recycling cans
- Fan
- Basic tools (screwdrivers, hammer, pliers, wrench, flashlight, etc.)