

What to Pack

**Dorm students have a mall trip the first weekend of school so you have the opportunity to buy some of the items that you won't need immediately. Mall trips are planned throughout the year.*

Bedding: Beds are twin size; you need to provide your own bedding such as sheets, pillow, comforter, blankets, etc.

Toiletries: You will need things like soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, towels, washcloths, etc. You will probably want to bring or buy a shower caddy to make taking these items to the bathrooms easier. Don't forget items like blow dryers and curling irons.

Laundry: Each dorm has coin-operated laundry facilities (you can buy quarters from the head residents). You will need to supply your own detergent and fabric softener. A laundry basket or bag might be helpful.

Clothes: Be sure that you have clothes that meet the dress code. Bring other more casual clothes for other times. You need sweat pants or shorts, a t-shirt, and sneakers for gym class. It gets cold here in the winter months so you will want a winter jacket. If you like to swim bring a swim suit—there's a pool at Houghton College that you can use.

Dorm Room: You will have a roommate so consider that as you pack. Things you might want include alarm clock, study lamp, a scatter rug, posters, and pictures.

Other items you may want: Umbrella, iron, camera, laptop/computer, sports equipment, MP3 player or iPod.

Please do not bring: hot plate, electric heaters, electric blankets, or warming pads. These items are fire hazards and are not allowed in the dorms.