Welcome to College Life! Remember: Do not pack too much junk in your trunk...or your room. You cannot bring everything you own from your bedroom at home. When packing, keep in mind that you and your roommate will be sharing limited space that is approximately 12'x15' (180 square feet). We strongly recommend that you collaborate with your assigned roommate and suitemates before bringing larger items or major furnishings, in order to lessen any potential space-use disagreements.

### What to Bring

- Personal clothing, toiletries & hygiene products
- Reference books, Address book, Password book
- Pictures of family and friends
- Computer or laptop
- Calculator, Calendar, Academic Supplies
- George Foreman style grills, panini presses
- Pots and Pans, kitchen knives (apartments)
- Silverware, glassware/drinkware, bowls, plates
- UL-Surge Protector
- UL-Extension Cord
- Flashlight
- Small furniture pieces (nightstand, bookshelf, study lamp, desk-top fan, ironing board, etc.)

- Bed linens (1-2 sets), pillow(s), blankets, bedspread, mattress pad or topper, towels (Support Resident Housing Association and buy online at [http://www.rhl.org/uis](http://www.rhl.org/uis))

- Laundry Detergent
- Laundry Basket/Hamper
- Clothes Hangers
- General Cleaning Supplies (409 or all-purpose cleaner for suite bathrooms)
- Plunger
- Mop
- Shower Caddy
- Bath mat/rug, Shower Curtain

### What Not to Bring

- Flushable wipes (toilet) that aren't really flushable
- Halogen lamps or items containing halogen bulbs
- Space heaters/other portable heat producing units
- Candles (even decorative ones or gifts)
- Wax warmers (scentsy pots, etc)
- NuWave ovens or cooktops
- Incense, incense burners burners
- Hookahs (including e-hookahs)
- Hot plates, toaster ovens, and any other similar item with an exposed-coil burner or exposed flat burner (except in apartments)
- Highly combustible items, flammable liquids, toxic chemicals or anything gasoline-powered
- Firearms or ammunition (including airsoft guns, or toy guns that resemble real weapons, Nerf guns)
- Knives (fixed blade or with blades over 3 inches, except kitchen knives)
- Weapons of any kind

- Stereos with Subwoofers/Surround Sound Systems
- Road signs, traffic cones, and emergency lights are not permitted in rooms or apartments.
- Antennas, satellite dishes, short-wave radio transmitting equipment, splitter cables and wireless routers.
- No alcohol (including empty alcohol beverage containers, can or bottle collections, kegs, shot chillers, etc)
- Illicit drugs & other controlled substances (including paraphernalia)
- Waterbeds and water-filled furniture
- Oversized items, such as sofas, couches, game tables, drum sets, large entertainment systems, etc
- Dartboards, metal-tipped darts, etc
- Nails, duct tape, double stick tape (will cause damage to the drywall and paint on the walls)
- Pets aren’t permitted in any campus residence (except fish in maximum 10-gallon tank in the residence halls and 20-gallon tank in the apartments)
Other Items of Note for Move-In Day

- Residents are individually responsible for sharing general cleaning within their room or apartment, all furniture & other contents, and common areas contiguous to their living units (bathrooms, etc). This includes cleaning the bathroom that you share with your suite mates on a schedule determined by the residents of the suite.

- The University retains the right to restrict or prohibit a resident’s use of weight-lifting equipment, musical instruments, radios, stereos, and other items on University premises.

- Room re-painting or other alterations are not allowed (even if your guardians are professional painters, contractors, interior decorators, etc.).

- Road signs and emergency lights or signage are subject to confiscation as stolen property, unless you have a bill of sale or ownership can be otherwise proven.

- Charges can be assessed for vandalism, malicious destruction, avoidable damages, extra cleaning, full-value replacements, labor &/or materials costs associated with repairs, or other appropriate costs or additional assessments above definitions of “normal wear-and-tear.”

- BOTTOM LINE: Make sure you are detailed when completing your inventory and turning it in within the 72 hour period. Note any discrepancies found during check-out will be considered for damage charges, therefore, being as thorough as possible upon checking in is extremely important.

A Note on Renter’s Insurance
UIS assumes no responsibility for loss or damage to residents’ possessions within Residence Life units. You’re strongly encouraged to consider purchasing renter’s insurance, particularly if you’re bringing expensive items such as a computer, printer, TV, or stereo. Students may be covered under a parent’s homeowner’s insurance, so check with your insurance agent to determine if you’re covered under an existing policy or rider.