

WHAT TO BRING to Campus Housing

WHAT TO LEAVE BEHIND

Before You Pack

- ▶ Contact your roommate to avoid duplicate items.
- ▶ If you are traveling a great distance, consider purchasing some items once you arrive in Hattiesburg. There are various retail options close to campus (i.e., Walmart, Target, Bed, Bath and Beyond).
- ▶ Remember you can always pick up items on your next trip home or have family/friends send packages to you on campus.
- ▶ Visit usm.edu/housing for room floor plans and video tours.
- ▶ You may not need every item on this list. The included items are simply things you should think about bringing.

Room Decorating Policy

Students should be aware that the use of nails, staples or glue on walls is prohibited. 3M poster and/or picture hanging strips should be used to attach posters and pictures to the walls (when vacating the room, remove the poster/picture and leave the strip on the wall for maintenance to remove to avoid possible damage). *Please review the Housing and Residence Life Handbook for more detailed information on decorating policies and/or if you have any further questions about what may or may not be permitted within the residence halls.*

- ▶ Permanent adhesives (double-sided masking tape, contact paper, etc.) are not to be used. Wall borders of any type are not permitted.
- ▶ You may bring a rug from home. (DO NOT tape rug to floor. Rug pads may be used instead to keep it from moving.)
- ▶ All items brought into the facilities during the year must be removed from the building at checkout.
- ▶ All upholstered furniture brought into the student's room must meet commercial fire codes. Storing the residence hall mini fridge inside any type of shelving or bin is not allowed.
- ▶ All residence hall furniture must remain in the room at all times.



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SLEEPING

- ▶ Extra-long, twin mattress sheets (can be found at any store or online via the Residence Hall Linens Program at usm.ocm.com)
- ▶ Comforter and duvet cover (You'll spend a lot of time in your bed so it's nice to have a duvet cover that can easily be removed and laundered.)
- ▶ Mattress pad
- ▶ Pillows
- ▶ Blanket or throw
- ▶ Alarm clock

CLEANING

- ▶ Trash can and small trash bags
- ▶ General cleaning supplies, including disinfecting wipes, paper towels, toilet bowl brush and toilet bowl cleaner
- ▶ Laundry supplies, including detergent, fabric softeners, stain removers and lint brush

STUDYING

- ▶ School supplies, including backpack, binders, folders, notebooks, pens/pencils, index cards, calculator, etc.
- ▶ Personal organizer/calendar
- ▶ Computer, printer, surge protector, printer paper, ink cartridges, CDs, etc.

MAKING IT YOUR HOME

- ▶ Posters, photographs and other decorations
- ▶ Area rug
- ▶ Lamp and/or desk lamp and lights bulbs (no halogen lights)
- ▶ Shower curtain and toilet paper (for suite-style halls - Century Park, Hattiesburg, Hillcrest, Mississippi, Scholarship and The Village)
- ▶ Bath towels and washcloths (at least two sets)
- ▶ Shower caddy
- ▶ Shower shoes/flip flops
- ▶ Bathrobe
- ▶ Clothes hangers
- ▶ Clothes hamper/laundry bag
- ▶ Full-length mirror

ELECTRONICS

- ▶ TV that can receive a digital signal and a "thread" or "screw on" type cable wire
- ▶ iPod and headphones
- ▶ Electrical power strip with surge protector
- ▶ Three-prong outlet adapters
- ▶ Camera
- ▶ Batteries

EATING

- ▶ Favorite snacks and drinks
- ▶ Food for quick and easy meals in your room (breakfast bars, sandwiches, microwavable meals, etc.)
- ▶ Coffee maker (Keurig-type single brewers ONLY)
- ▶ Kitchen supplies, including plates, cups, bowls, utensils, can opener, chip clips, Ziploc bags and storage containers
- ▶ Dish soap and towels

LOOKING YOUR BEST

- ▶ Shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant, etc.
- ▶ Clothes, shoes, outerwear (raincoat/boots/umbrella) and accessories (You won't have room for your entire wardrobe, but you can trade your warm weather clothing for your cold weather clothing at fall break and then trade back at spring break or another trip home.)
- ▶ Keep some transitional clothing on hand at all times for sudden changes in the weather.
- ▶ College students typically dress for comfort so don't worry about bringing a lot of dressy clothes.

MISCELLANEOUS

- ▶ Flashlight
- ▶ Sewing kit
- ▶ Small first-aid kit, including bandages, Tylenol, etc.
- ▶ Storage bins (for under your bed or in your closet)
- ▶ Dry erase board and markers

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What to Leave Behind

For the safety of all residents, please **DO NOT** bring the items below:

- ▶ Open-coiled cooking appliances (i.e., toaster, hot plate)
- ▶ Cooking grills (i.e. George Foreman), air fryers, convection ovens
- ▶ Coffee pots (Keurig-style single brewers are allowed.)
- ▶ Refrigerator and microwave (Each room is equipped with a MicroFridge - a microwave, refrigerator/freezer combination.) *Century Park South rooms have refrigerator/freezers. Microwaves are available in the kitchen lounges.
- ▶ Space heaters
- ▶ Halogen lamps
- ▶ Candles/incense/scented wax burners
- ▶ Decorative alcohol containers
- ▶ Extension cords of any kind (single or multi-plug)
- ▶ Concrete/cinder blocks
- ▶ All pets (except small aquarium fish and approved service animals)
- ▶ Decorative string lights (i.e. Christmas lights), adhesive strip lights, adhesive or string LED lights
- ▶ Firearms, weapons and hunting equipment
- ▶ Bed risers