



HESSER COLLEGE HOUSING DO/DON'T AND HELPFUL TIPS LIST

Room Personalization

Since your room is your home during your stay here, we encourage you to personalize it. Please follow these simple guidelines.

Helpful Tips:

- Electronics: Please make sure to write down the serial numbers of any electronic devices you may bring (TV, Laptop, iPod, etc.)
- Securing your belongings: Whenever you leave your room—even for a few minutes—lock your door. Your room is as safe as you make it, and you might consider a small lockable safe for securing valuables.
- Insurance: coverage for items in your room may be included in your parent's home-owners insurance. Please check their policy. If they are not covered please consider purchasing Renters Insurance for your belongings.
- Storage: Residence Life does not provide additional storage so please limit what you bring. All belongings must be removed at the end of each academic year (May).
- Appliances: All allowed appliances must be U.L. approved and free from frays or defects in wiring.

Do:

- Bring posters and pictures of family and friends. These may be put up on the tack strip provided in some of the rooms or with "fun tack."
- Find bed linens that show your personality. Be sure to purchase the right size sheets for the room you are assigned.
- Bring a TV, radio, VCR, DVD, low voltage microwave (600-700 watts limited to 1 per room), and refrigerator (no larger than 4.6 cubic feet). You might want to coordinate the purchase of these items with your roommate to avoid duplication.
- Use only store bought bed risers.

Don't:

- Do NOT alter or modify any of the physical structure of your room. You may not drill or nail into the walls, floors, or ceiling. You may not remove any permanent or stationery furnishings or fixtures.
- Do NOT loft your beds.
- Do NOT paint any wall, floor, ceiling, or furniture in your room.
- Do NOT remove or alter any of the furnishings provided by the College from your room.

Appliances and other items which are strictly prohibited in the residence hall:

- toasters or toaster ovens
- oil popcorn poppers
- hot plates or any open coil appliance
- halogen lamps
- space heaters
- any appliance with an exposed heating element
- alcohol or drug paraphernalia

- candles, including decorative candles
- extra furniture
- incense
- fireworks
- firearms, knives or martial arts weaponry
- flammable art supplies, such as paint thinner
- propane or propane appliances
- pets, excluding fish in a tank 5 gallons or less
- George Foreman-type grill
- overloading outlets or using extension cords, octopus or multiple plugs

Things to Bring:

- alarm clock
- backpack
- blanket or comforter
- coaxial cable
- computer & printer
- computer disks
- desk lamp
- desk supplies
- dictionary
- drawer liners
- eating utensils
- Ethernet cables
- fan
- first-aid items
- hair dryer
- hangers
- junk food
- laundry basket
- laundry detergent
- microwave-safe cookware
- phone
- pillows
- sheets
- shower caddy
- shower slippers
- small garbage can
- thesaurus
- toiletries
- towels
- UL approved power strip
- umbrella
- small tool kit
- sewing kit
- over-the-counter medicine