

# WHAT TO BRING TO COLLEGE

Please Note: This is not an all-inclusive list, and not everything on this list is absolutely necessary. Bring what you need to make yourself comfortable and happy. Many of these items can also be purchased on campus or locally upon your arrival. We also recommend that you talk with your roommate to discuss some of items/purchases in advance so that you can share some of the larger things. SUNY Potsdam is not responsible for items that are lost, stolen, or damaged. Please check with your insurance provider to see if your current homeowners or rental policy covers the residence hall room or if you need to purchase a rider. Happy shopping!

- Photo ID (Driver's License, Learners Permit, Passport, etc...)
- Original or Copy of Health Insurance Card
- Contact Information for Family and Friends
- Laptop or Desktop Computer
  - Wireless Ready
  - Charging or Power Cables
  - Computer Lock
- Cell Phone & Charger(s)
  - Verizon & AT&T have the best coverage in and around Potsdam
- TV with Clear QAM tuner and instruction book.
- Medication and Prescriptions
- School Supplies
- Bed Sheets – Twin Extra Long (XL, 78"x34")
- Towels & Washcloths
- Pillow(s) & Blanket(s)
- Clothing for all 4 seasons
- Winter clothes to include
  - Warm boots
  - Hat, earmuffs, and/or scarf
  - Warm gloves
- Laundry Bag or Basket
- Laundry Detergent (High Efficiency)
- Bathrobe and Slippers
- Iron and Ironing Board
- Bathing Suit
- Hangers and Storage Crates/Bins
- Shampoo, Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrush
- Shower caddy
- Shower shoes/sandals
- Hair Dryer
- Small First Aid Kit (Band-Aids, ointment, etc...)
- Umbrella
- Broom and Dustpan
- Snacks and Non-Perishable Foods
- Re-usable water bottle
- Pots and Pans (if you plan to cook)
- Dishes and Silverware
- Dish soap
- Fan (Residence Halls are not air conditioned)
- Desk lamp
- Extra Light Bulbs (CFL or LED only)
- Power Strips with built in fuse
  - 6+ feet of cord are ideal
- Alarm Clock
- Appliances (communicate with roommate)
  - Small refrigerator (less than 5 cubic feet)
  - Microwave
  - Coffeemaker (Keurigs are allowed)
- Boot mat for letting winter boots dry
- Area Rug (approx. 5x7 feet)
- Tissues/Kleenex
- Dry Erase board with markers for your door

# WHAT NOT TO BRING TO COLLEGE

Below is a much shorter list of what you should not bring with you to SUNY Potsdam. This is not an all-inclusive list but is a good starting point. Possessing any of these items will result in Student Conduct charges.

- Any cooking appliance other than those listed above – State Fire code prohibits any cooking appliance to be possessed in a Residence Hall Room. This includes toasters, hotpots, grills, rice cookers, etc....)
- Extension Cords – these are not allowed in the residence halls per State Fire code.
  - The only exception to this is a single 6-foot appliance rated extension cord for a fridge, when hooked directly from the fridge to the wall.
- Tapestries or other decorative fabric – These are not allowed to be hung on the walls in your rooms.
- Candles with a wick – These are not allowed per State Fire Code. If you bring a candle warmer, it cannot be one that uses an open flame and the candle cannot have a wick.