

WHAT TO BRING, WHAT TO LEAVE BEHIND

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RESIDENCE HALLS

Includes Sierra Madre, Yosemite, South Mountain, North Mountain Halls and yak?it'ut'u.

This information is for students living in residence halls. Go ahead and bring the "Free to Bring" suggestions below, and talk with your roommates about items to share. Please leave prohibited items at home.

FREE TO BRING

- 3M adhesive hooks & strips
No nails.
- Bathrobe
- Bath towels
- Toiletries
Remember shampoo, conditioner, soap, etc. Many students use a shower caddy and shower shoes or flip-flop sandals.
- Bedding and pillows
When buying sheets, remember all Cal Poly beds are twin extra long (XL). Students recommend a mattress topper (foam pad) for more comfort.
- Bicycle & lock
- LED desk lamp
Never cover lamps with clothing, paper, curtains, and/or anything that may burn.
- School supplies
- Television
- Gaming consoles
- UPS Devices
- Radios & stereos
- Computer, tablet
Wireless internet is provided by Housing Technology Services and is available in all rooms, apartments, study rooms and lounges. Residential connectivity has unique requirements for your computer. To ensure that your computer is prepared for Internet connectivity from your room, visit the Housing Technology Services website.
- Power strip with surge protector
- Blow dryer, curling iron, hair straightener
These should be used in the bathrooms rather than the residence rooms. Bathrooms have sufficient electrical outlets to accommodate these items.
- Cold medicine & first aid kit
- Hangers
- Important documents
Students need a photo ID to obtain their keys. Looking to get a job on campus? Bring an original Social Security card
- Laundry supplies
All laundry is free on campus and detergent pods work best.
- Small desk fan
- Small personal safe
- Snack food
- Umbrella
- Printer
While there are printers available throughout campus, many students also enjoy the convenience of a printer in their room. Once they learn the name and contact info of their roommate, residents coordinate who will bring the printer. They then share costs on toner and paper.

PLEASE LEAVE AT HOME *Prohibited Items*

- Air conditioners, space heaters
- Coffee makers
Each residence hall will be equipped with a K-cup coffee maker and electric tea kettle for your regular use.
- Electric skillets, grills, toasters/toaster ovens, rice cookers, slow cookers, steamers
- Hot plates, hot pots
- Microwaves
Microwaves are provided
- Extension cords
Instead, bring a power strip with a surge protector.
- Flammables
This includes candles, incense, gasoline, fireworks and propane.
- Barbecues, charcoal, lighter fluid
- Halogen lamps, lava lamps
- Portable heating devices
Space heaters are not allowed in rooms. University Housing will provide them should a heating outage occur
- Furniture of any kind
No need to bring chairs, couches or futons. Rooms come fully furnished. Keep furniture placed a sufficient distance away from electrical plugs so that the cords are not sharply bent or pressed.
- Decorative lighting, holiday lights
- Personal Irons
Each laundry room will be equipped with ironing boards and irons.
- Lofts, bed risers
Riser kits, blocks and bricks are not permitted. Only furniture provided by University Housing that is designed for lofting may be lofted.
- Industrial cleaning solvents
- Storage units taller than 48"
If you buy a storage bin before move-in, hang onto the receipt just in case you don't have enough room. San Luis Obispo also has stores where you can pick up items after moving in: Target, Costco, Home Depot and Bed Bath and Beyond, to name a few.
- Pets
Pets are not permitted, with the exception of fish in an aquarium not to exceed five gallons per resident or 10 gallons per room
- Weapons
Air-soft guns, knives, slingshots, stun guns, BB guns, pellet guns, water guns, firearms, bow and arrows, ammunition, explosives or other weapons are prohibited.
- Refrigerators, freezer units
One mini-refrigerator measuring approximately 33" x 18" x 20" with an internal freezer compartment is provided in each residence hall room.