



TIPS FOR RESIDENTIAL CIVILIAN STUDENTS

1. Remember everything you bring in will have to be brought back out at the end of the year. Taking a minimalist perspective might help, bring only what you need. Consider how many trips it will take to unpack and pack the car. Know that you will most likely buy more things as the year goes on, so the amount of things you will have at the end of the year will be more than you brought in! Ask yourself “Do I really need this...?” for each item you pack.
2. You will need winter gear, but not right away. Pack your winter gear but have a family member ship it to you in or bring with them for Parent and Family Weekend.
3. Start conversing with your roommate about what items you may share (fridge, microwave, TV, etc.)

BATH AND BEDDING

- Sheets (twin, extra-long)
- Comforter and/or quilts, blankets, etc. Consider bringing sturdy, easy-to-wash items
- Towels: bath, washcloths and hand towels (2 sets)
- Alarm clock
- Extra pillow(s)

HEALTH AND GROOMING

- Shower shoes
- All necessary toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo and all grooming/cosmetic) items
- Shower bucket/basket/caddy to carry items
- Bathrobe - Especially important since the shower is down the hall
- Prescription medicines and copies of the prescriptions
- Suggested: First Aid Kit, including basic adhesive bandages, disinfectant, aspirin, etc.

CLOTHES AND LAUNDRY

- Clothes. Your space will be limited, so only bring what you think you will wear. Our suggestion is usually having enough for 2 weeks' worth of clothing!

- Weather-appropriate outer clothes. You will be walking to class; be sure your coat or jacket and boots are right for the climate . You should also bring 1 set of business/professional attire
- Laundry basket and/or bag, detergents, dryer sheets, stain remover stick or spray
- Quarters for laundry and soda machines. Your CadetCash Card can also be used
- Hangers

DÉCOR/FURNISHINGS

- Sticky wall mounts, blue painters tape and removable 3M Command adhesive hooks. Nails are prohibited
- Personal pictures, photos, and other favorite items. Avoid heavy frames, since you may not be able to hang them.
- Rugs/a piece of carpet or slippers as the rooms are not carpeted.
- Other storage or organization units.
- Small trashcan and trash bags.
- Lamps: floor, desk and/or clip
- Fan (window or floor).
- Window screen. A small width adjustable screen (found at most hardware stores) for your window helps keep the bugs out of your room.

ELECTRONICS AND EQUIPMENT

- Multiple outlet surge protectors.
- TV, DVD player, microwave, game system, etc.
- Chargers for all of your devices
- Ethernet LAN Cable

STUDY ITEMS

- A sturdy backpack or book bag for everyday use.
 - Computer (desktop or laptop) and any necessary supplies/accessories.
 - School supplies, including a planner as well as basic pens, paper, pencils, notebooks.
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- Dry-erase marker. Dry-erase boards are provided.

FOOD AND SNACKS

- Small refrigerator not to exceed 4 cubic feet
- A few unbreakable dishes: plastic cups, microwave safe bowl, and small food storage tubs.
- Sandwich bags, aluminum foil, and/or plastic wrap.
- A small bottle of dish soap, scrubber, small dishtowel.
- Snacks that will help you finish that late night project or for when the dining hall closes!

MISC. ITEMS

- Batteries and flashlight
- Umbrella
- Deck of cards or games for when you take a study break!

DO NOT BRING THE FOLLOWING:

- ✗ Your fish, dog, cat, gerbil, mouse, or snake, NO pets are allowed in the residence halls
- ✗ Hot plate and/or mini stove and toasters
- ✗ Halogen lamps and lava lamps
- ✗ Cinder blocks, bricks, or crates for lofting beds
- ✗ Drugs, alcohols (this includes alcohol trophies, posters or souvenirs), weapons, fireworks. There is zero tolerance for these items at NU and they will be confiscated!
- ✗ 2-prong extension cords
- ✗ Subwoofers or gigantic speakers
- ✗ Air conditioner
- ✗ Your vehicle (first-years are not permitted to have a car on campus)

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