What to Bring With You

You will want to make your room as much your own as possible while remembering that most everything you bring with you will need to be taken home or to your work-term residence when you leave. As such, the balance between comfort and convenience is important. Think about this balance, and decide what you will bring accordingly. We highly recommend that you evaluate the monetary value of what you are bringing to school and check with your parents’ homeowners’ insurance for coverage. The University does not purchase insurance to cover items in individual student rooms.

In the Community Standards section of this booklet, some specific property limitations are described. For your convenience, some suggested items useful in preparing your room are listed. As this list cannot be all inclusive, other items you may want to bring can be added.

- Alarm clock (battery operated)
- Bandages and Necessary Meds
- Bathrobe
- Bed Spread/Comforter/Blanket(s)
- Clothes hangers
- DVD player
- *Extra-long twin sheets
- Flashlight
- Headphones
- **Humidifier
- Laundry supplies
- Personal computer (Ethernet card & Internet Cable)
- Personal stereo system
- Pillow(s) & Pillow case(s)
- Power strip(s) with surge protector
- Recreational equipment
- Room decorations
- Safety glasses
- School supplies
- Sewing Kit
- Shower Caddy
- Small fan
- Telephone
- ***Television
- Tissues
- Toiletries
- Towels and linens

*All mattresses purchased for Thompson Hall are 80 inches in length. We have provided ordering information for extra-long linens to our residents. You will receive a letter and an order form in the mail from On Campus Marketing (OCM) that describes the products and special value packages that are available. Make sure you order by the deadline so that your linens will be delivered to your home before you depart for campus. For more details or to order, please call Residence Hall Linens at 1-800-957-4338 or check out the website at www.rhl.org/gmi. Locally, extra-long linens may be purchased at a variety of retail stores.

**Michigan is known for dry winters. Students from more humid climates, not accustomed to Michigan winters, are strongly encouraged to purchase humidifiers. With the large number of students in relatively close confines, colds and flu spread readily within the residence hall population. Humidifiers can be of great assistance in minimizing susceptibility to these kinds of illnesses.

***Beginning Summer 2015, Cable TV will no longer be active in student rooms. Students may bring TV’s if they wish to play video games, watch movies, etc. but the cable jack in their rooms will not function. TV’s have been installed in each lounge and lobby for students to watch cable.

Each residence hall room comes equipped with a Micro-Fridge. DO NOT BRING a refrigerator or microwave with you! The unit contains a microwave (700 watts), a refrigerator and a freezer unit (4.0 cubic feet). Each resident is responsible for cleaning and defrosting the unit at closing. This unit will remain in the room for use by both sections and is considered a part of the residence hall room furnishings.

To view some examples of items we recommend you bring with you or leave at home, visit the Kettering University Residence Life Pinterest.com page: KetteringResLife
What I am bringing to Kettering!