

Bard What to Bring to Bard

Smart college students are changing our world before they even set foot in their first class, choosing to equip their residence hall rooms with lighting, computers, TVs, and other products that have earned the EPA'S ENERGY STAR label. A room outfitted with these energy-efficient products can save about \$130 per year on energy costs, reduce pollution, and help protect the environment.

Suggested Items:

- Flashlight
- Bedspread
- Blankets
- Standard twin sheets
- Mattress pad
- Towels
- Toiletries
- Shower shoes
- Pillows
- Clothes hangers
- Alarm clock
- Laundry detergent and basket
- Umbrella
- Calendar/organizer
- FunTack or other adhesive that will not damage walls
- First aid kit (including insect repellent)
- Wattage adapter (for international students)
- Personal computer
- Surge protectors
- Wastebasket
- Desk lamp
- Radio
- Bicycle and bicycle lock
- Laptop desk lock

What not to Bring:

- Microwaves
- Extension cords
- Exposed coil heater
- Heating pad
- Portable heater
- Candles
- Incense
- Halogen lamps
- Weapons/knives
- Air conditioners
- Nails, double-sided foam tape (will damage walls)

Items to Discuss with your Roommate(s):

- Games or game systems
- Small fan
- Small refrigerator (no more than 3 cubic feet)
- TV (rooms do not have cable access)
- DVD player
- Vacuum
- Kitchen utensils and dishes
- Plants
- Area rug (some rooms do not have carpeting)
- Combined microwave/refrigerator unit rented from the Bard College approved vendor.

Items for use in designated kitchen areas only:

- Coffee maker
- Clothes iron
- Popcorn maker
- Toaster oven
- Hot plate
- Hot pot
- Rice cooker
- Only UL-approved appliances may be used

Items to consider:

- Calling card (residence halls are equipped with a public hall phone for outgoing calls only)
- Can opener
- Cleaning supplies
- Hair dryer
- Office supplies
- Posters
- Small sewing kit
- Snacks
- Storage containers
- MP3 player
- Athletic equipment (i.e. squash or tennis racket, swimsuit, swim goggles, and gym shoes)
- If you are planning on playing an intercollegiate sport, please be in touch with the coach about appropriate equipment

Try to coordinate with your roommate and share appliances when possible. Besides saving energy and money: you'll have less to move at the end of the year. Remember, simple changes made by many people can multiply into a huge difference for our environment.

Other Information and Policies

Intersession use of residence halls: Select residence halls will be used for conferences and groups, as well as Bard students and employees needing on-campus accommodations during intersession. Generally, students will not be allowed to stay in their rooms over intersession (with the exception of Citizen Science) and will be notified in advance of the plans for use of their rooms.

Laundry Facilities: Most residence halls are equipped with washers and dryers. If there are no laundry facilities in a hall, they are usually available within a short walking distance. Laundry machines on campus require quarters. No linen service is provided. However, there is an outside laundry service that comes to the Bertelsmann Campus Center weekly and students can pay to have their laundry cleaned.

Pets: You will also want to talk to your roommate(s) if you are planning on bringing a pet with you. Fish and small caged animals are the only pets that may be approved to live in a residence hall room. The pet must be in good health. A student who wishes to keep a pet must obtain approval from the Office of Residence Life **prior** to bringing the pet to campus.