

## What to Bring to College

*These are suggestions only and many of these items can be purchased in Three Hills.*

### Must Haves

- A warm sleeping bag – All freshmen will need this for our freshmen retreat.
- Safe or lockbox for valuables: jewellery, watches, etc – This isn't a must have really but while we are a Christian college we sometimes do have things stolen out of rooms so it is nice to have a place to put your valuables or important paperwork like your passport.

### What to Wear

- Comfortable clothes and shoes you can go to class in
- One or two semi-formal/formal outfits and shoes for more formal affairs – there is at least 1 semi formal/formal banquet each year. Please be careful to consider modesty as you dress for this occasion.
- Work-out clothes and shoes – we have a workout gym on campus
- Bathing suit – the town pool (with hot tub!) is just across the street and they have a great toonie swim! Please be particularly sensitive to modesty in your swimming suit choice.
- Light jacket – the start of the year is often cool
- Heavy coat, mittens, hat and scarf – we get some lovely cold weather and snow here so you will want to be able to bundle up!
- Slippers
- Robe – don't forget this! We often have cleaning people or workmen in the residence during office hours.
- Shower shoes (flip-flops) – these are really important when you are using public shower rooms.

### Room Accessories

- Blanket, Sheets for a single bed, Pillows. Eggshell pad or mattress pad or mattress foam is a really good addition as well.
- Alarm clock: very important!
- Clothes hangers
- Dishes – you won't need much but having a bowl, plate, fork, knife, spoon, coffee mug, glass, and a travel mug is helpful
- Plastic containers with tight lids for storing snacks, detergent, etc.
- Cell phone and charger (dorm phones are very often busy).
- Power bar
- Mini-fridge or Micro-fridge – it is nice to have a very small fridge that you can put in your room for drinks or milk for cereal in the morning.
- Bulletin board/white board with dry-erase markers – something small that you can put up on your door for messages.
- Calendar: to keep track of the date and days; dry-erase calendars are awesome for scrawling in important events and then erasing for the next month
- Chair: a comfortable one, not a desk chair as these are provided, but more of a reading/relaxing chair. If you have a roommate there will only be room for 1 of these but it is nice to have.
- Curtains – Many of the rooms have blinds in them but curtains make it much cosier and block out more light.
- Desk lamp: each room is equipped with an overhead fluorescent light only

- Lights: like Christmas lights you put on your tree or around your house—small strings of white-light bulbs can be lovely strung around the edges of your ceiling.
- Step stool (if you're vertically challenged) – one that can fold up and be put in the closet is best.
- Flashlight – for those times when the power goes out
- Headphones – very important – both to block out annoying sounds from your roommate or keep music your roommate doesn't like to yourself.
- Electric kettle with an automatic shut off.
- Rug - to add attractiveness to your room.
- Removable tape or Plasti-tak that won't leave holes or stains on the walls
- Water bottle or a Britta water filter jug

### **Keep It Clean**

- Towels, washcloths
- Toiletries
- Small bucket or plastic tote for carrying shower things because the showers are located outside of your room
- Laundry basket/bag – laundry facilities are located on the first floor of the dorm
- Laundry detergent – we have high-efficiency washers. Please bring appropriate laundry detergent if at all possible as it is best for these machines.
- Dryer sheets
- Rolls of quarters for Laundry
- Drying rack
- Small First-Aid kit and any medication you may require as our staff cannot administer any medication
- Lysol wipes – these are nice to have so you can wipe down your room, especially when everyone gets sick and you don't want to share what they have!

### **Good Things to Have**

- Key ring
- Batteries
- Sports/recreation equipment
- Pre-paid calling card – if you don't have a cell phone
- Snack foods and cereals – its nice to have some things in your room for between meals or on those days you don't want to get up for breakfast in the Dining Hall.
- Cell Phone – there are phones on each hallway but they are often very busy.
- Bicycle, helmet, LOCK – this is handy for getting around town or going out to the airport if you are an aviation student.
- Lotion, lotion, lotion (our climate is cold in the winter and quite dry so you will need it!)
- Camera – it is nice to have a little digital to record all your favourite memories
- Computer with printer – There are computers on campus but they are only open certain hours so it is more convenient to have your own.