

# SMU PACKING LIST

## Residential Commons

### Bedding (Twin XL)

- ☐ Twin XL bed sheets
- ☐ Comforter or blanket
- ☐ Pillows
- ☐ Mattress pad or topper

### Cleaning & Laundry

- ☐ Disinfecting wipes
- ☐ Vacuum
- ☐ Air freshener (non-aerosol)
- ☐ HE laundry detergent
- ☐ Fabric softener or dryer sheets
- ☐ Stain remover

### Organization

- ☐ Storage bins or freestanding shelves
- ☐ Door/Closet hanging organizers
- ☐ Hangers
- ☐ Laundry basket

### Healthy Living

- ☐ Hand sanitizer
- ☐ Thermometer
- ☐ Air purifier (optional, but helpful)
- ☐ Over-the-counter medicines
- ☐ First aid kit

### Insurance

- ☐ Renters or home-owners insurance

*Typically your families renters/home-owners insurance will cover you, but make sure! This way your items are protected against damage. Renters Insurance Recommendation.*

### Bathroom & Toiletries

- ☐ Towels (2-3) and wash cloths
- ☐ Personal toiletries & hygiene products
- ☐ Shower shoes
- ☐ Shower caddy
- ☐ Hair dryer or styling tools

### Devices & Electronics

- ☐ Laptop and charger
- ☐ Desk or clip on lamp
- ☐ UL approved surge protector with on/off switch
- ☐ Small fridge (under 4.5 cubic feet)
- ☐ Microwave (under 800 watts)
- ☐ Small fan
- ☐ Optional: Printer (available in each commons and library)

*Note: Only one fridge and microwave allowed per room - coordinate with your roommate!*

### Clothing

- ☐ Summer and fall clothes (layers for AC buildings)
- ☐ Athletic/gym clothing for Dedman Center
- ☐ Red & blue SMU spirit gear, nice white attire for Rotunda and first football game
- ☐ Comfortable walking shoes
- ☐ Rain jacket, umbrella, and boots
- ☐ Business casual outfits (for class presentations or interviews)

### Decorations

- ☐ Personal photos/posters
- ☐ RLSH Community compliant decor (see below)

# Not This!

—no need to include these items in your packing

*We work hard to keep our residence halls clean and safe. You can help by avoiding items that may damage rooms or pose fire hazards. Relying on SMU-provided furniture and amenities can also help you avoid overpacking and reduce clutter. See **SMU-provided furniture and amenities example** [here](#).*

## **Fire Hazards - these items violate safety regulations**

- ❌ Electric scooters, bikes, hoverboards, etc.
- ❌ Cooking appliances such as a hot plate, toaster oven, rice cooker, slow cooker or a coffee pot with open coils
- ❌ Candles, incense, reed diffusers
- ❌ Halogen and incandescent light bulbs (only bring LED lightbulbs)
- ❌ Extension cords and non-UL approved surge protectors
- ❌ Full-size or large fridge nor a large microwave
- ❌ Fireworks, firearms, or weapons

NOTE: For more information on items which violate fire safety - [click here](#)

## **Items That May Damage Rooms – These often lead to damage charges, so it's best to avoid them.**

- ❌ Anything that requires screws or nails to adhere to the wall (use push pin instead - 10 or less per room)
- ❌ Command strips, LED light strips, or removable wallpaper that use adhesive (opt for blue painter's tape or sticky tack instead)
- ❌ Electric scooter, skateboard or bike (these scratch the floors and will not be allowed in the building even just for charging)
- ❌ Pets (residents are allowed fish in a 10 gallon or less fish tank)