What to Bring and What to Leave at Home

All four-, five- and six-person suites at Dutchess Community College feature a kitchenette (with dining counter/chairs, sink, microwave and 18 cu. ft. refrigerator); living room with two loveseats and coffee table; bedrooms with armoire, small dresser, desk and desk chair; and two bathrooms. Two-person suites have one bathroom and no living room.

College Living Checklist

**Kitchen**
- Mugs & glasses
- Dishes and cookware that are microwave safe (microwave is provided)
- Dishcloths or sponges, dish drainer, dish towels, dish soap
- Eating utensils
- Single-serve coffeemaker with automatic shutoff
- Food and snacks
- Paper products
- Food storage containers and wraps
- Cleaning supplies
- Garbage bags

**Bedroom**
- Alarm clock
- Bedding, extra-long twin-sized bed sheets
- Comforter, mattress pad, pillows
- Plastic crates, metal shelf, or storage boxes for under the bed
- Clothes hangers (mirror is provided)
- Fall and winter clothing

**Bathroom**
- Bath rug (shower curtain provided)
- Toilet paper
- Toiletries
- Toilet cleaner/scrub
- Small trash can
- Towels and washcloths
- Storage shelf

**Other Suggestions**
- Computer or laptop with a wireless card and printer (printers are available on campus)
- TV and coaxial cable (basic cable provided in bedrooms and living room)
- UL-approved surge protector power strips (it must say surge protector and that it has a built in circuit breaker; First Alert or Fire Shield brand are recommended). Others – including regular extension cords – will be confiscated and not returned.
- Cleaning supplies (vacuums, brooms and mops will be available to borrow)
- Band-Aids/first aid kit
- Iron and small ironing board
- Laundry supplies-laundry basket or bag, laundry detergent, etc.
- Room decorations that do not obstruct or damage the walls, floors, or structure of the room (for example, area rugs and posters are acceptable, wall decals are not recommended as they damage the walls).
- White 3M Command Picture-Hanging Strips or White Loctite Fun-Tak Mounting Putty for affixing items to walls.
- Flashlight and emergency kit
- Personal safe
- Combination lock for your desk drawer
What to Leave at Home

To ensure the health, safety, comfort and well-being of students, the following are prohibited in the Dutchess Community College Residence Hall. The College reserves the right to confiscate these and additional items as necessary, and to take disciplinary action against the student, as appropriate. (See Housing Handbook for more information.)

- Halogen lamps; clamp-on, clip-on or upward-facing bowl lamps; black lights; lava lamps; cloth shades
- Toasters, toaster ovens; all indoor grilling devices (such as George Forman grills); all open coil burning devices; all hot plates; rice cookers, hot pots, portable ranges, electric fry pans, woks, waffle, sandwich and quesadilla makers; open-element popcorn poppers; oil fryers
- Candles/incense or any open flame device;
- Air conditioners; ceiling fans; space heaters (the Residence Hall is air conditioned)
- Cinderblocks *(the beds adjust in height to allow for storage, and plastic, store-bought bed risers are permissible)*; lofts of any kind
- Sand; inflatable pools; liquid-filled furniture; air mattresses
- Upholstered furniture
- Extension cords or multi-prong outlets; appliances in need of electrical repair or which may be considered hazardous
- Electrically amplified instruments, including DJ equipment and drum sets
- Live-cut Christmas trees and flammable decorations
- Neon signs and traffic, construction or other public/street signs
- Weightlifting apparatus (barbells, free weights, exercise machines, pull-up bars etc.)
- Pets of any kind
- Tapestries
- Curtains and other window coverings
- Exterior television, radio antennas, or satellite dishes or any object that protrudes from a window or attaches to the exterior of the residence hall.
- Weapons of any kind – including for decorative purposes.
- Drugs and/or drug paraphernalia.
- Alcohol advertisements, signs and/or potentially offensive material in public viewing areas (including windows, hallways, and doors).
- Liquor and related items, including kegs and beer balls, alcohol cans/bottles (full or empty), beer pong tables, funnels, shot glasses or any other item affiliated with the consumption or possession of alcohol (including beers designated “non-alcoholic”).