

Things to Bring Checklist



The following is Campus Life's recommended checklist of items students should bring when living on campus. This list does not encompass all items students are permitted to bring. If you have questions whether or not an item not listed on this document is permitted on campus, please contact RLIF@plu.edu.

Essential Items

Linens

- Twin XL sheets
- Twin XL mattress pad
- Twin XL Bedspread
- Pillows
- Blankets
- Bath and hand towels

Toiletries

- Personal hygiene products (toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, etc.)
- Brush and comb
- Shaving equipment
- Prescription medications
- Hair dryer/hair curler/flat iron
- Basket or bag to carry toiletries

Laundry/Clothing Care

- Laundry soap/detergent/fabric softener
- Laundry basket or bag
- Clothes hangers
- Dryer sheets/balls

Recommended

- Cleaning supplies (wipes, sanitizer, gloves)
- First aid supplies
- Battery-powered flashlight
- Sewing kit

Optional Items

Decorations

- Posters, photos and art work
(please note that Command Strips are the only approved method of hanging items)
- Lamps, decorative lights
- Message board with dry erase markers
- Small area rug or carpet
- Chair, small sofa, or futon
- Lap desk
- Full length mirror

Electrical Equipment

- Television
- Video Game
- Streaming Devices
- Laptop/tablet/computer
- Surge protector
- Chargers
- Small refrigerator (5.0 cubic ft or less)

Please visit www.plu.edu/helpdesk for detailed information about computer connections and cable services

Campus Life Approved Appliances that are Allowed to be Used in Rooms

- Electric fans
- Water kettles
- Coffee Makers
- Rice Cooker

Items including irons and toasters may be stored in student rooms but are not permitted to be used in personal rooms. These items must be used in the designated common area locations such as lounges or kitchens.

Talk to your roommate before move in!

We advise coordinating with your roommate prior to arriving on campus and discussing any items students may want/need to share with your roommate. Once roommate information has been shared out by our office, we encourage students to compare checklists.

Optional for Students who plan to cook in community kitchens or live in South Hall

Cooking Supplies and Utensils

- Plates/Bowls
- Cups and Mugs
- Knives, forks, spoons
- Utility knife/serving spoon/spatula
- Cutting board
- Pots/pans
- Crockpot
- Cookie sheet/cake pan
- Vegetable peeler
- Can opener
- Mixing Bowl

Kitchen Linens

- Dish towel
- Hot pads

Cleaning Supplies

- Dish soap
- Sponges, dish scrubbers

Kitchen Appliances (South Hall approved ONLY)

- Toaster/toaster oven
- Hand mixer/stand mixer
- Small microwave
- Griddles/hot plates

Things NOT to Bring

The following items are not approved for students to have in their room and will be confiscated if found (including South Hall)

- Candles
- Air Conditioning units
- Space Heater units
- Extension cords
- Wireless routers
- Pets
- Nail picture hangers

Tip: If in doubt, leave it at home!

Once you have arrived on campus and settled in, you'll have a much better idea of what your room really needs. PLU has several stores located near campus that students can shop at for big or small items to fill their room.

Hall front desks will also have items available (during operating desk hours) to checkout with their LuteCard, including:

- Pots/Pans
- Cooking utensils
- Brooms
- Mops
- Dusters
- Vacuums

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Residence Hall Decoration Guidelines

In an effort to help maintain the physical condition of our living communities and in order to be in compliance with safety guidelines and regulations, the following decoration guidelines have been compiled. The intention of these guidelines is to provide guidance and support in advance of a decoration project.

This is not an exhaustive list. Clarification about these guidelines, or questions regarding areas not mentioned on this sheet should be directed to your Community Director or Residential Life (rlif@plu.edu or 253-535-7200).

GENERAL

- Decorations must be kept away from exit signs, fire alarm devices (pull stations, smoke/heat detectors, sprinkler heads and piping, etc.), fire extinguishers, and emergency or normal-use light fixtures.
- Decorations must not block any exits. Nothing should be located in front of doors or in hallways that would impede residents from making an emergency exit or safety personnel from entering.
- No personal items can be stored in the hallway. This includes wet items, shoes, sports equipment, etc.
- Decorations can be displayed on the exterior of a resident room door, but not on the floor or in the hallway. Decorations must be in compliance with all University and Residential Life Policies.

WALLS & CEILINGS

- Nothing should be placed over or around light fixtures (i.e. cloth, colored plastic wrap, etc.).
- Do not use duct or masking tape on painted surfaces or doors. When possible, use painter's tape.
- Do not string items across hallways, across resident rooms or over heaters.
- Do not hang items from the ceiling, sprinkler heads or sprinkler piping.
- A 24 inch clearance must be maintained between the ceiling and any items. This includes bookshelves, lights, wall hangings, etc. The only exception to this is built in university furniture.

WINDOWS

- Windows may not be entirely covered with paint or paper.
- Do not hang curtains or drapes in front of windows directly over heaters, unless a 12 inch clearance from the top of the heater is maintained.

LIGHTS & EXTENSION CORDS

- Inspect all light cords and extension cords before using. No multi-plug adapters may be used. We recommend power strips with a fuse or circuit breaker.
- Do not "daisy chain" extension cords (plugging one extension cord into another extension cord).
- Electrical cords may not be routed through doorways or under throw rugs or carpeting.
- Strings of lights may not be hung so that they span the width of a resident room.

FURNITURE

- All PLU issued furniture must remain in resident rooms.
- Lounge furniture and study room furniture must remain in their original spaces.
- Do not remove from its original location window screens, closet doors or any built in residence hall furniture or equipment.
- Only PLU issued loft kits are permitted to raise or bunk beds in resident rooms