Things to Take to College

**Bedding**
- A pillow
- A mattress pad
- One or two sets of twin-sized sheets and pillow cases
- One or two blankets or a comforter

**Shower/Bath Items**
- Shower caddy
- Bathrobe
- Shower shoes
- Bath towels
- Hand towels
- Wash cloths

**Personal Hygiene**
- Toothbrush and toothbrush holder
- Toothpaste
- Dental floss
- Tissues
- Mouthwash
- Shower soap
- Facial soap
- Deodorant
- Hair dryer
- Hairbrush
- Q-tips
- Nail trimmers and nail file
- Tweezers
- Razors
- Shaving cream
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Feminine hygiene products
- Personal toiletries such as makeup, hair gel, moisturizer, etc.

**Laundry**
- A laundry basket or laundry bag
- Laundry detergent
- Fabric softener
- Stain remover
- Rolls of quarters
- An iron/ironing board if the dorm doesn't have one available
- Hangers
- Drying rack (for drying fine washables)

**Cleaning Supplies**
- Cleaning wipes
- Window cleaner
- Paper towels or reusable cloths
- Small bagless vacuum or hand vacuum
- Dish soap
- Trash can liners
- Other cleaning products

**Health and Safety Supplies**
- Assorted bandages
- Hydrogen peroxide
- Antibiotic ointment
- Anti-inflammatory medication
- Cold medication
- Hand sanitizer
- Sun block
- Prescriptions
- Proof of health insurance card
- Flashlight and batteries
- Locks or safe storage for valuables

**Electronics and Computing**
- Computer or laptop
- Computer cables
- Ethernet cables (if dorm doesn't have WiFi)
- Cell phone and charger
- Extension cords
- Power extenders and surge protectors
- Alarm clock

**Optional Items**

While you can get by without the following items, having them may make your time in the dorms more enjoyable.

**Food Storage and Preparation**
- Dorm refrigerator
- Small microwave
- Plastic food storage containers
- A set or two of dishes and silverware
- Travel mug
- Water bottle
- Chip clips
- Can opener

**Entertainment**
- Small television or TV/DVD combo
- Digital music player and small speakers
- Electronic tablet such as an iPad for playing games and reading books
- Deck of cards

**Comfort**
- Soft mattress topper
- Comfortable desk chair
- Task lighting such as desk and bedside lamps
- Small fan
- Beanbag chair

**Storage**
- Under bed storage boxes
- Storage cubes
- Desk caddies
- Stackable storage bins
- Hanging storage
- Roll away storage carts
- Closet door organizers

**Decor**
- Decorative comforter and sham
- Colorful throw pillows
- Message board
- Bulletin boards
- Throw rug
- Wall decor
- Decorative task lighting