

Alverno College Residence Life

Making Packing Easy Peasy

We are eager for you to join our Alverno College Residence Life community, and we hope you are too! While the transition from living at home to living on campus is exciting, we know there is quite a bit to remember to bring as you begin packing. For your convenience, we have created a list of some items that you may want to consider bringing to Alverno. Not everything is necessary, but students in the past have found them useful.

We suggest contacting your roommate to determine and coordinate what each of you will bring. This will prevent the two of you from bringing the same items. However, if you forget something, it's not the end of the world! Remember that Alverno is conveniently located minutes from 27th Street, where you can purchase any items that you may have forgotten from stores such as Target, Wal-Mart, and Kohl's.

Personal Items

- Bedding – blankets, pillow, standard twin sheets
- Band-Aids/First Aid Kit
- Hair Dryer, Straightener, or Curling Iron
- Prescriptions & other over-the-counter medications (Benadryl, Ibuprofen, etc)
- Shower Caddy
- Toiletries
- Bathrobe – for ‘traveling’ to the showers
- Hangers

Laundry Items

- Laundry Basket
- Laundry Detergent
- Stain Remover
- Fabric Softener

** Alverno College Residence Life offers washers and dryers for student use free of charge. In addition, irons and ironing boards are available for check out for the hall front desk.

Miscellaneous Items

- Batteries
- Whiteboard (for your door)
- Your insurance card/health insurance information
- Social Security Card – if you are interested in working on campus
- Anything to decorate your room – photos, posters, etc.
- Removable tape, wall putty, or command strips to hang decorations
- Organizer or planner
- Backpack

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Electronic Items

- Alarm Clock
- Power strip – with surge protectors
- Computer
 - Both residence halls have computer labs and printers available for students; however, if you bring your own computer, free wireless internet is available throughout the halls.
- Television
- Fan – AC units are prohibited.
- Cell Phone
 - All cell phone companies working on campus, but some work better in the residence halls than others. Here is a list of providers that work well in the residence halls:
 - T-Mobile (they have a tower on campus), US Cellular, Sprint
 - Please note: we are not suggesting you switch carriers if you already have an existing line. This information is based on feedback from students in past years. All students have access to wireless internet for their cell phones.

What you should leave at home

- Pets (except fish in a bowl or maximum 10 gallon aquarium)
- Microwave & refrigerator – these are provided free of charge by Alverno Residence Life
- All flammable and combustible liquids, including art supplies such as thinner
- Weapons – including but not limited to firearms, ammunition, knives, or electric weapons
- Candles – Candles are a fire hazard, so we cannot allow them even for decoration
- Incense, fireworks, sparklers, smoke bombs
- Air conditioners and dehumidifiers
- Water beds or personal mattresses
- Halogen lamps
- Light dimmers and ceiling fans
- Cooking and heating devices such as toasters, broilers, skillets, hot plates, space heaters, kerosene or oil lamps – anything with an open coil will be confiscated.