

WHAT TO BRING?

It is not uncommon to arrive at Central and realize that something was left behind, especially since, for most students, coming to college is their first real taste of independent living. Weeks of careful planning and packing definitely help, but it's also advantageous to hear advice from others who have already been through the experience. The following list is compiled for your reference.



Clothing

- ___ Winter gear — gloves, hat, mittens, boots, scarf, thermals, sweaters
- ___ Rain gear — umbrella, raincoat
- ___ Day-to-day clothing
- ___ Shoes
- ___ Slippers

Desk Items

- ___ Calendar
- ___ Calculator
- ___ Stationery, envelopes, stamps
- ___ Ruler, rubber bands, hole puncher
- ___ Paper clips, glue, pencils, pens
- ___ Tape — masking, Scotch, etc.
- ___ School supplies — notebooks, folders, etc.
- ___ Stapler and remover
- ___ Dictionary and thesaurus
- ___ Magic markers, scissors, push pins
- ___ Computer, accessories, disks
- ___ Personal planner
- ___ Highlighters

Food Related Items

- ___ Dishware, silverware, cups
- ___ Bottle opener, can opener
- ___ Water jug
- ___ Dish cloth, towels and soap
- ___ One dozen homemade cookies
- ___ Snack Food

Don't Forget Your CWU Connection Card!

Room Furnishings

- (Coordinate with your roommate)*
- ___ Television, television cable, VCR, DVD player
 - ___ Stereo equipment, CDs
 - ___ Plants
 - ___ Telephone and answering machine
 - ___ Crates for storage
 - ___ Surge protector extension outlets
 - ___ Desk lamp (No halogen)

Recreational Equipment

- ___ Tennis racket
- ___ Golf clubs
- ___ Basketball, softball
- ___ Frisbee
- ___ Bicycle and lock
- ___ Deck of cards
- ___ Musical instruments and music
- ___ Rollerblades
- ___ Games and hobbies
- ___ Hiking boots
- ___ Swimsuit

Toiletries

- ___ Comb, brush, nail care, tweezers
- ___ Toothbrush, toothpaste, floss
- ___ Deodorant, shampoo, conditioner
- ___ Lotion, soap
- ___ Shaving cream, razor
- ___ Hair dryer, curling iron
- ___ Bath and hand towels, wash cloth
- ___ Container to carry toiletries to and from shower
- ___ Shower shoes and bathrobe

Bed Articles

- ___ Alarm clock
- ___ Pillow and pillow cases
- ___ Sheets, blankets and bedspread
- ___ Mattress cover

Miscellaneous

- ___ First aid materials
- ___ Aspirin, Kleenex
- ___ Money, checkbook, credit card, bank card
- ___ Sunglasses
- ___ Camera, film, flash
- ___ Watch
- ___ Address and telephone directory
- ___ Hangers
- ___ Padlocks
- ___ Backpack for books
- ___ Extra set of home or car keys
- ___ Iron
- ___ Reading material
- ___ Sewing kit
- ___ Flashlight
- ___ Tools — screwdriver, hammer
- ___ Laundry basket, money and supplies
- ___ Pictures from home

University Housing and Dining Services welcome you to Central Washington University. While these items are appropriate, all are not necessary and the priority of these items is left up to the individual. Keep in mind that your personal style and tastes are probably the most important considerations when you are packing for college.

By all means, consult your parents, friends and the above list for advice, but you are the one who is going to have to live with what you bring or don't bring. It would also be a good idea to talk with your roommate and coordinate with them so that you don't end up with two of everything. For example, you won't have much use for two telephones since there is only one telephone jack in your room. Plan ahead and choose wisely, but don't panic. You can find almost anything you need on campus or in Ellensburg if you do happen to forget something. We also encourage you to create a list of serial numbers for your valuable items and keep that list at home in the event something is lost or stolen.

PLEASE CAREFULLY READ all materials sent to you concerning CWU housing. If you have further questions, feel free to call **509-963-1831**, toll-free **1-888-298-4663 (CWU-HOME)**, or visit our Web site at **www.cwu.edu/~housing** for more information.