

What Do I Need to Bring?

At Colby-Sawyer, we encourage students to think about creating a greener campus from the start, by reducing unnecessary purchases, reusing the thing you already have, and recycling the things you're not using when you are here.

We want you to bring what you need, but not more than you need. It may be a good idea to make purchases after you've been here for a week or two. Once you're settled into your room and your schedule, you'll have a better sense of what you really need. Below is a list of items that we think you might need. We hope you'll find it helpful.

Important Documents

- Insurance information
- Social Security Number (if work-study student, two forms of ID are required)
- Important contact numbers and addresses

Personal Items & Bedding

- Shower tote or caddy
- Shower shoes
- Toiletries
- First aid kit (band aids, pain reliever, etc.)
- Extra-long twin sheets (80 inches)
- Pillow and pillow cases
- Blanket and spread or comforter (washable)
- Mattress pad
- Bath and hand towels, wash cloths

Desk & Study Items

- Computer and surge protector
- Printer and printer paper and an ink cartridge
- USB storage device (flash drive)
- USB cord for printer
- Daily Planner
- Scissors
- Tape
- Stapler & staples
- Desk lamp

Miscellaneous Items

- Wastebasket
- Alarm clock
- Umbrella/rain gear
- Command strips
- Extension cords
- Phone charger
- Power strip with surge protector
- Flashlight and batteries (in case of power outage)
- Small tool kit
- Large sealable totes to store any open food
- Shovel (for vehicle)
- Bed risers (if you plan to elevate your bed)

Laundry & Cleaning Items

- Laundry bag
- Laundry detergent
- Cleaning supplies

Shared Items

Check with your roommate(s) before purchasing these to avoid duplication.

- Small Refrigerator (1200 watts/15 amps or lower, energy star rated)
- Small microwave (1200 watts/15 amps or lower, energy star rated)
- Small floor fan
- Television (streaming in rooms through smart tv or devices like Apple TV, Amazon FireStick, ChromeCast, Roku, Gaming devices, etc.)
- HDMI cable
- Area Rug
- Broom and dustpan
- Small vacuum cleaner
- Floor lamp (overhead fluorescent lights are provided)
- Dry-erase board/markers

What *NOT* To Bring

The following violate college policy and are prohibited:

- Candles
- Incense and incense burners
- Cooking appliances with exposed heating elements, such as hotpots and coffee pots
- Flammable light covers
- Halogen lamps
- Any pets other than fish
- Large furniture that you won't be able to take home at the end of the year (there is no storage on campus)

Note: Generally, any electrical appliance is prohibited if it is rated over 1200 watts or 15 amps, or if it has an exposed heating element.

Note: We receive many questions about curtains. All residence hall rooms are equipped with shades or blinds on windows; curtains are not required