

# Suggested Packing List



The following information will help you pack for your time at Young Harris College. We strongly encourage you to coordinate with your roommate or suitemates (if applicable) in order to reduce duplication when appropriate and to maximize the space in your room. If you have questions that are not addressed here, visit the Residence Life YHC Connect page ([connect.yhc.edu](http://connect.yhc.edu) → Campus Resources → Residence Life) to ensure that you have the most recent version of this document; otherwise, please contact [reslife@yhc.edu](mailto:reslife@yhc.edu).

## **Essential items**

You should plan to bring the following items:

- Weather-appropriate clothes
- Hangers, laundry bag and detergent for high efficiency (HE) machines
- Twin extra-long bed linens, blankets, bedspread and pillow (mattresses are all 80")
- Cell phone and chargers (include extra chargers if possible; also note that there are no phone jacks on campus and so there is no way to use a landline)
- Alarm clock (battery backup is helpful)
- Personal computer that is wireless ready and printer (see <https://www.yhc.edu/information-technology/get-connected> for system requirements)
- A backpack to carry your books, notebooks and any other provisions for class each day (if you bring a laptop computer, make sure your backpack can carry the computer)
- Toilet paper, toilet brush and plunger (for all residence halls except for Towers)
- Cleaning supplies (broom, dust pan, rags, glass cleaner, mop, disinfecting wipes, etc.)
- Bath towels and wash rags
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shower caddy, etc.)
- Health/medical insurance card
- Prescription medication
- Basic medical supplies (bandages, ointments, aspirin, antacids, cough drops, etc.)
- List of important telephone numbers (like your family physician and insurance company)
- Driver's license, state ID card or passport for identification purposes or to complete employment paperwork for on- or off-campus jobs (if you have your original Social Security Card, birth certificate or US passport, you can complete that paperwork; other documents can work but are less often used)

## **Useful items**

You may find the following items convenient or helpful in personalizing your space:

- Study lamp with extra light bulbs

- Small microwave oven (750 watts maximum/1 cubic foot maximum)
- Small compact refrigerator (6 cubic feet or smaller)
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Iron, ironing board and sewing equipment
- Sports equipment, board games, cards, a Frisbee, etc.
- UL-approved surge protector power strips with circuit breaker (2 or 3 are helpful)
- Umbrella, rain coat and rain boots
- Posters, photos of family and friends and other decorative items
- Curtains and tension rods (all windows have blinds for privacy)
- Area rugs
- Personal electronics (stereo, television, DVD player, headphones, game systems, etc.)
- Tower or box fan
- Plates, cups and silverware
- Sleeping bag or air mattress for retreats
- Tissues or paper towels
- Slippers or shower shoes
- Old clothes and shoes that can be used for outdoor service work
- Snacks and hard plastic or metal containers for storing snacks
- Bulletin board / cork board and push pins
- Bed risers and tubs for extra storage

### **Items to leave at home**

The following items are prohibited and cannot be brought into the residence halls:

- Halogen lamps (they get very hot and are an extreme fire hazard)
- Pets (except fish in a 10 gallon or less aquarium)
- Candles or any open flame
- Spider lamps and other lamps with plastic lampshades (plastic shades melt after long periods of use and catch fire quickly)
- Air conditioners
- Toaster ovens/toasters (Village residents are allowed to have 1 toaster per unit)
- Woks, deep fryers, hot plates or anything with open coils or exposed heating elements (including George Foreman grills)
- Oil-based popcorn poppers
- Live Christmas trees/garland
- Flammable decorations made of cotton batting straw, vines, leaves, shrubbery or foam plastic
- Hookahs or other smoking devices
- Firearms or other weapons
- Lofts (no outside lofting units or constructed lofts are allowed in any residence halls)
- Drain cleaning products (Drano, Liquid Plumber, etc.) – those chemicals react with the cleaning products YHC uses and so students with clogged drains should submit a work order to have Facilities resolve the issue