FIRST YEAR PACKING LIST

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The Dartmouth Sustainability Office’s First Year Program managers created this packing list for all you 24’s perplexed on what to bring to campus. We encourage you to be intentional about both the item you are bringing to campus and the way you are bringing it. Consider your carbon footprint when deciding to order items instead of just buying those items from local stores in Hanover! Check out our website and Instagram @sustainabledartmouth for more information about our exciting first year internship program!

WHAT YOU’LL HAVE in Your Residence Hall/Dorm:

• Bed frame and mattress
• Desk and chair
• Trash can and recycling bin
• Closet/drawers
• Shared fridge in residence hall
• Vacuum and broom in residence hall
• Toilet paper, paper towels, trash bags
• Showers (no baths), hand soap
• Window and shades
• Wireless Internet
• Temperature regulated room

WHAT TO BRING:

** You'll be here just for fall term so no need to bring heavy winter stuff or excessive anything! Everything you unpack, you'll have to pack again, so don't go overboard if you can. Also, local stores do exist and you can get school supplies/toiletries/most everything
here if you don’t have room to bring it. There’s a CVS, somewhat expensive supermarket, school minimart all within walkable distance! Then there’s also a Walmart and other big box stores within a drivable/busable distance. Finally, refrain from copious online orders on small items like toiletries/food – why do that when you can simply walk to the store?

*** ASK YOURSELF, DOES THIS ITEM SPARK JOY?

Bedroom Items:
- Bedding - Twin Size - Extra Long (if you’re flying in, you can order these)
  - Sheets
- Pillow
- Blanket/comforter
- Sleeping bag (could be useful though not necessary)

Clothes and Shoes:
*You definitely do not need that many clothes as you’ll be (hopefully) packing up in 10 weeks anyways and 2 of those weeks are spent alone in your room!
- Shorts/long/warm pants (fall temps range from 50-70°F in Sept. to 30-50°F in Nov.)
- Short sleeves and long sleeve shirts
- Sweater/sweatshirt
- Athletic sneakers
- Rain boots/duck boots/waterproof type shoe (not totally necessary either, wet feet are not the worst thing in the world!)
- Casual shoes
- Flip flops/sandals (you’ll want them for shower shoes/swimming in river)
- Medium-warmth jacket (NOT a full winter parka because you’ll be leaving before winter hits)
- Flair! (something wacky and fun to wear during your Zooms)

Bathroom Items:
- Toiletries *You can buy these in Hanover stores!
• Toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, hair care, skin care, personal hygiene products (up to you!)

• Towels (hand towel and body towel - that way you can cut down on single use towels!)

Miscellaneous:
• Backpack
• Laundry detergent
• Hamper/laundry basket
• Quarters for laundry
• Surge protector (stop those pesky phantom loads and charge your devices responsibly!)

• School supplies *You can buy these also when you get here and see if you need them first.*
  • Pens/pencils/highlighters/scissors
  • Notebooks/binders/folders
  • Calendar or day planner

• Reusable eating tools
  • Reusable water bottle (hydrate or diehard!, stickers on Nalgenes are fun)
  • Reusable mug (coffee never tasted better out of a reusable mug!)
  • Reusable utensils (sporks are cool!, never know when you need to eat)
  • Tupperware (leftovers are real!)

• Entertainment
  • Books/card games/board games/video games

• A *few* pictures/posters to decorate your room (just enough to help you feel at home but not enough that it looks like a pinterest post since you gotta take that down in 10 weeks!)
• Laptop/case/charger/mouse
• Cell phone/charger
• Bike/scooter/skateboard (affordable rentals bikes are also available through the Sustainability Office! walking is fun too!)

Don't Forget:
• Driver’s license/state ID
• Social security card
• Health insurance information
• Medical information

COVID-19 Related Items:
• Facemasks (bring some reusable/washable masks, it'll make your life easier, you'll look cooler, and you won't be contributing to the ocean’s mask garbage patch)
• Hand soap/sanitizer
• Thermometer

Do Not Bring:
• Candles/incense
• Printer
• Vacuums (will be available in hall)
• Toilet paper
• Fan/heater (dorms are heated and weather is mild enough during fall)

• Too much stuff (you'll be moving out at the end of the fall! It's only 10 weeks)