*Jeffrey’s Gear*

* Rainpants - Wool Ibex Knickers or Showers Pass Rain Pants
* Raincoat - Wool Ibex Long-Sleeve Jersey, a light Marmot shell, or Showers Pass Tour Jacket (Overkill 9 times out of 10)
* Gloves - Either cheap neoprene gloves or Heavy duty lobster claw winter gloves w/ removeable liner (rarely overkill once things actually get cold)
* Panniers - Ortlieb Back-Roller Classic (x2 w/ a bike-back attachment) or Chrome Backbone Messenger Pack (for when I ditch the heavy law books)
* Shoe Covers - Castelli Neoprene (cheap and as good as the rest)
* Lights - Planet Bike Blinkey on the rear and Cygolite ExpiliOn 250 up front (rechargeable and bright!!) and CatEye UNO for a front back-up
* Advice for Night/Cold/Rain - Wool. Wool. Wool. Dries quick. Stays warm when wet. Layers well.  Fights off odors.  Most importantly, keep your hands and feet warm (wool socks!! and good gloves) and everything else will work out just fine.  Oh, and take a few rides in a car and note how hard it is to see poorly lit bikes at night and in the rain.

*Liv’s Gear*

* Rainpants – North Face cheapos. If you get a hole in them, patch ‘em up with duct tape on the inside and outside and you’re good to go.
* Raincoat – LL Bean super lightweight, with pit zips
* Gloves – warm and waterproof. REI had a sale, I bought a pair. They’re really warm but can take a while to dry out, so make sure you set ‘em up somewhere they can breathe once you’re inside.
* Panniers/backpack – Ortlieb panniers. The top zip ones work really well if you make sure to condition the zippy a few times.
* Shoe covers – REI cheapos. Make sure you get a size that’s big enough for your shoe (i.e. won’t stretch and rip). The REI ones seem especially good at accommodating pedal shoes.
* Lights – Cat Eye both front and back, just bought a Light & Motion VIS 360 helmet front and tail light (on super sale, Amazon.com) for extra brightness.
* Advice for Night/Cold/Rain – layers! I usually wear a wool t-shirt, a capilene long-sleveeved shirt, and then my raincoat. Usually a tiny bit chilly at the outset but rockin by the end. Same with the bottom – capilene layer plus rainpants keeps you warm enough and dry. GLOVES are crucial, make sure they’re waterproof and breathable.

*Torie’s Gear*

* Rainpants – Cheapest REI rainpants, aren’t the greatest but they work almost all the time for Portland’s light rain
* Raincoat – Mountain Hardware coat with pit zips (highly recommended) from the Sellwood Columbia Outlet
* Gloves – waterproof and warm!
* Panniers/backpack – Ortlieb for both. I have a regular pannier for my clothes/ lunch; I shared the purchase with another 1L since they are sold in pairs.  Then I also have the computer carrying case that's Ortlieb that I use on campus all day.
* Shoe covers - Also bought the cheapest from REI.  So, they aren't super water-proof, but keep feet warm and semi-dry. On heavy rain days my tennis shoes are soaked, so I wear my old pair.
* Lights - Front, I have a cheap-y to be seen, and a GREAT rechargeable front light to see.  (super bright, an older model of this brand: [http://www.niterider.com/rechargeable-new/minewt-350-cordless-new/](http://www.niterider.com/rechargeable-new/minewt-350-cordless-new/" \t "_blank)).   Back light- Planet Bike Superflash.
* Advice for Night/Cold/Rain - GLOVES are awesome, especially for downhill sections of the ride.  Also a warm hat that is made to fit under a helmet (also the cheapest one from REI, works great).

*Claire’s Gear*

* Rainpants – REI rainpants, but I don’t use ‘em 99.999% of the time.
* Raincoat – Patagonia torrentshell rain jacket
* Gloves – waterproof/rain resistant. Very necessary.
* Panniers/backpack – Timbuktu messenger bag and Ortlieb panniers (mostly use the panniers for school) – all waterproof
* Shoe covers – REI cheapos
* Lights – Planet bike back light, knog front light, dreams of stealing Liv’s Light & Motion VIS 360 once it arrives in the mail
* Advice for Night/Cold/Rain – Layers! Padded shorts! Gloves gloves gloves!