

Hey incoming River Otters! 🦦

I'm so excited for you all to join the Lewis & Clark community! To help you get ready for life in the PNW woods, I've put together a curated checklist of some of my favorite college essentials. These are some of the exact items I find myself needing, and they are my top recommendations for keeping your space functional and incredibly cozy.

That being said, every residence hall room is a little different! Definitely coordinate with your future roommate first to see what you'll be sharing, and check in on your own personal daily routines to tailor the list to your exact needs. Happy packing, and see you at [New Student Orientation](#)!

Bedding & Sleep Prep ☐ Mattress Topper 3inch or more ☐ Mattress Protector or Encasement ☐ Twin XL Sheets ☐ Comforter ☐ Pillows ☐ Blankets ☐ Desk fan Storage & Organization ☐ Utility Cart ☐ Bins ☐ Shoe Organizer ☐ Hangers ☐ Move-In Bags ☐ Water-resistant Backpack Extras ☐ Rain Jacket ☐ Umbrella ☐ Water-resistant Laptop case	Dorm Décor & Lighting ☐ Atmosphere warm Lighting ☐ Bedside/Desk Lighting ☐ Low-Maintenance Plants ☐ Wall Art ☐ Calendar Tech, Appliances & Extras ☐ Bluetooth speaker ☐ Noise-cancelling headphones ☐ Alarm Clock ☐ Power strips ☐ Water filter ☐ Comanstrips ☐ Double-sided tape ☐ Vacuum (coordinate with roommate) ☐ Air refreshers
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Skip the Hard Suitcases: I highly recommend leaving large, hard-shell suitcases at home. They are usually bulky and occupy a ton of valuable space in your room after you've unpacked. Instead, use collapsible [Move-In Bags](#) or duffels that can be easily folded up and slid right under your bed!