

WHAT TO BRING

- ⇒ linens
- ⇒ power strip(s)
- ⇒ pens & pencils
- ⇒ alarm clock
- ⇒ flashlight
- ⇒ wastebasket
- ⇒ window coverings
- ⇒ masking tape
- ⇒ umbrella
- ⇒ towels
- ⇒ pillow(s)
- ⇒ laundry basket
- ⇒ laundry soap
- ⇒ bucket of toiletries
- ⇒ hair dryer
- ⇒ iron



There is limited storage provided in the room, so wait and see how much space you will actually have before moving in too many belongings. There is no storage available outside the room.

All university furnishings must remain in the room, including bed frames, mattresses, etc.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- ⇒ double-sided foam tape
- ⇒ pets (other than fish)
- ⇒ electric skillet
- ⇒ toaster/toaster oven
- ⇒ halogen lamps
- ⇒ household extension cords
- ⇒ nails
- ⇒ candles

Electrical items with an open coil (glows red) are **not** allowed in campus residence halls. You must use a power strip equipped with a surge protector or an industrial extension cord rather than typical brown or white household extension cords. Also, for fire safety, halogen lamps are strictly prohibited. Call if you have any questions.

MOVE-IN

First-years move in on Thursday, August 24th. Northwest schedules the arrival of students throughout the day. This information will be included in your Advantage information provided by the Admissions Office. We ask families to arrive as close to their assigned time as possible to alleviate the congestion of 1,200 first-years moving in at the same time. Upperclassmen are scheduled to return to campus starting Friday, August 25th. Forest Village Apartment residents can move in starting Sunday, August 13th.



RESIDENTIAL LIFE

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WANT MORE INFO?

You can learn more about room sizes, specific hall features, job information, policies, campus dining and more at our website:

www.nwmissouri.edu/reslife



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WELCOME TO YOUR CAMPUS HOME!



LEARNING CENTERS/LIVING ENVIRONMENTS

Whether a student is new to the residence halls or returning for their senior year, opportunities await. Residential Life continues to provide an excellent living and learning environment for students. In the fall, students can maximize the integration of living and learning. With these environments, the majority of first-years are housed separately from upperclassmen. A few of the programs available include:

FIRST-YEAR LEARNING CENTERS

These communities (Hudson-Perrin, Dieterich, Millikan and first-year floors in Franken, Tower Suites, and South Complex) are designed to meet the needs of the first-year learner. Students will be encouraged to participate in programs focused on college adjustment and first-year student issues, academic success (study skills, note-taking, survival skills, etc.). They will benefit from a higher staff-to-student ratio and opportunities for various group activities, interactions and required programs. Policies in these areas are designed to assist first-year students in their transition to Northwest.

UPPERCLASSMEN LIVING ENVIRONMENTS

These communities provide upperclassmen with experiences focused on long-term success, career choices, major selection, and individual interactions. Upperclassmen will share common academic goals and enjoy opportunities to live an autonomous lifestyle with special amenities and relaxed policies.



LIVING/LEARNING ADVANTAGES

All residents enjoy the traditional benefits of on-campus housing. In addition to convenience and economic value, students benefit from the growth experiences on campus. Research has shown that students who live on campus:

- ⇒ Are more satisfied with their college experience
- ⇒ Earn higher grades
- ⇒ Have a more satisfying social life
- ⇒ Report less conflict with parents
- ⇒ Are less likely to drop out
- ⇒ Participate in more student activities
- ⇒ Have higher educational aspirations
- ⇒ Have greater self-esteem

The on-campus experience is designed to be an enhancement of the college experience. Whether having lived on their own for three years or if this is their first experience leaving home, students will find opportunities to learn, socialize, and grow in the residence halls. Residential Life is excited about all of the opportunities students will have this fall. We continually strive to enhance the halls as living-learning environments. As the summer progresses, we look forward to meeting families at our SOAR sessions, and we hope you will call our office at 660.562.1214 if any questions arise.

TALK TO YOUR ROOMMATE(S)

Whether your roommate is someone you've known all your life or a complete stranger, some advance planning will make your time together go much more smoothly. Email or call one another before you arrive and talk about things such as who is bringing the stereo/TV, microwave or refrigerator. Talk about how you feel regarding sharing clothing and other personal belongings. Talk about favorite colors and room decor. Get an idea about sleep patterns and study habits. You will have time and support in working through some of these issues and more once you arrive on campus, but some chatting in advance will go a long way.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can residents have a refrigerator and/or microwave?

Yes. Students may bring their own, provided the refrigerator does not exceed five cubic feet and 2.5 amps. Residents can have one microwave per room that is 700 watts or less and plugged into a power strip with a circuit breaker.

What is the difference among meal plans?

The Silver, Gold, Platinum and 5-day meal plans give students different spending power over the trimester. The Silver, Gold and Platinum plans offer unlimited access to the *Bearcat Commons* 7 days a week, and the 5-day meal plan offers unlimited access to Bearcat Commons Monday-Friday. The Gold plan also comes with \$150 Resident/Flex Dollars and five guest passes. The Platinum plan comes with \$300 Resident/Flex Dollars and eight guest passes. Resident/Flex Dollars can be used at any of the dining locations on campus, vending machines, concession stands, and Northwest tailgates.

Can residents construct lofts?

Only students living in the high rises (Franken, Dieterich, Millikan and Phillips) may construct a loft in their room if they follow the loft guidelines: http://www.nwmissouri.edu/reslife/Fine_Print/MyLivingSpace.htm

Because of various sizes of the rooms, roommate change, etc., it is normally best to wait until you arrive on campus before constructing a loft. Hudson-Perrin, Roberta, and Tower Suites have loftable and/or integrated loft kits. South Complex has bunkable beds.

What about cable service?

Each room or apartment has an active cable jack with basic local service provided. This service is included in your room and board cost.

What are the specifications on the computer?

All computer questions should be directed to the Academic Computing Help Desk at 660.562.1634 or by emailing helpdesk@nwmissouri.edu.

Residential Life policies can be found at
http://www.nwmissouri.edu/reslife/Fine_Print