



# Living at Westminster College!

## GENERAL HOUSING INFORMATION: What to Bring

In addition to the handy "College Checklist" we have included for you, we offer the following suggestions to prepare for life at Westminster:

- The weather in Fulton varies a great deal, so we recommend you pack both lightweight and heavier clothing. Daily campus dress is casual, but there are some times you will need dress attire. For instance, at the Columns Ceremony, and during Greek Formal recruitment, new students are expected to be in business-casual/dress attire. Recreation/sportswear is essential for participation in seminar teambuilding, intramurals, or our HealthTrek program.
- The weather could change as early as October 1<sup>st</sup>, so make sure you have a fall coat or heavy jacket if you do not plan on bringing more clothes to campus until after that date. It is not uncommon for students to need a light fleece jacket this early in the semester!

## Room Appliances

The college does not lease or sell refrigerators or microwave ovens to students. However, the college does provide a refrigerator and microwave oven in each residence hall in the Quad and Triangle lounge areas. Small refrigerators and microwave ovens which use 120 volts are permitted in the college residence halls. However, we limit refrigerators to one per student, and recommend only one microwave in each room.

## Sound Systems and Televisions

The use of sound systems and televisions is permitted in College residence halls. Their use may be denied if they are an annoyance to other residents. It is not recommended that students bring personal musical instruments or amplified sound systems for use in college housing (i.e. drum sets, horn instruments, or electrical guitars). Students may practice their musical instruments in Champ Auditorium or in the Glass Music Room in Hunter Activity Center (HAC).

## Nails, Adhesives and Room Decorations

Because of the damage caused to walls, woodwork and doors, care must be taken in hanging decorations in a student's room. Any adhesives, nails, decals or other similar items which damage the walls are prohibited. The College recommends the **3M Command products** which are available at the bookstore. (Please note that 3M Command products need to be used as their instructions indicate, or they will also cause damage.) Any damages beyond normal wear and tear will be the student's financial responsibility.

Students are not permitted to display any offensive or suggestive material in their windows at any time. The College reserves the right to ask a student to remove decorations from their windows if they are deemed offensive to others.

For students wishing to purchase carpeting for their rooms, the majority of our residence hall spaces will accommodate a 9 x 12 foot carpet remnant or rug. All of our rooms have window blinds, but if you wish to purchase curtains, the windows in the Quad are 72 inches wide and 63 inches long. Windows in the Triangle are 48 x 60, and Emerson Hall windows measure 70 x 51. We encourage students to use a tension rod to hang all window decorations.

## Bed Lofting

Westminster College does not permit any sort of bed lofting kits or homemade lofts. Students are not permitted to use cinder blocks to raise their bed height. Students may request to have their beds bunked by Plant Operations staff, and they will provide bunking pegs and a safety rail for the top bunk. It is also not recommended that students tape their bed ends together in any way.

The College has approved the use of bed risers for the sake of lifting a bed. These can be purchased at Wal-Mart (or a similar store), and cost \$10 or less for a set of four (4). You may also purchase adjustable risers (at our own bookstore for approximately \$20!) which have multiple height options for an additional cost. If you are wondering if you have purchased the correct risers, the approved ones have a hollowed out square in the top for each bed end to snugly fit inside.

## Additional Campus Policies

Effective July 1, 2010, all of Westminster College is smoke free, inside and out. Your support in our smoke-free initiative is much appreciated. Additional campus policies and procedures are available on the Student Life webpage (<http://www.westminster-mo.edu/studentlife/Pages/default.aspx>). We recommend you make yourself familiar with all of our campus housing policies and expectations.

# College Checklist: Must-Haves For Your Move

## Eat

cookware	dinnerware	coffee maker	food storage containers
utensils	flatware	water bottle	'chip clips'
travel mug	cups/mugs	can/bottle opener	dish soap

## Sleep

sheet set (Twin XL)	mattress pad	comforter/quilt
bed pillows	blanket	
body pillows/covers	alarm clock	

## Wash

towels/wash cloths	toothbrush	hair dryer	Clorox Wipes
sponge	curling iron	shower shoes	Swifter/duster
soap holder	flat iron	shower caddy	
toothbrush holder	"loofah"	laundry detergent	

## Chill

lounge chair	window panels	wall art	over-the-door mirror
tension rods	headphones	floor lamp	TV/Video gaming systems
picture frames	mp3/ipod accessories	9 x 12 area rug	

## Study

computer	laptop lap desk	desk accessories	surge protector(s)
laptop case	bulletin board	desk lamp	waste basket
laptop accessories	USB flash drive	book light	

## Organize

under-bed storage	laundry bag	iron/steamer	first aid kit
closet organizers	shoe storage	drying rack	"Welcome" door mat
hangers/3M hooks	clothes hamper	assorted batteries	

## **\*Leave this stuff at home\***

Halogen Lamps	Incense/Candles	Petroleum distillates
Fireworks	Pets (including fish)	Illegal Drugs
Space Heaters	Toasters/toaster ovens	Anything with an open flame
Coiled Cooking Units	Extension Cords	
Weapons/Guns	Amps	