

First-Year Student Packing Guide

Use this checklist to make sure you have everything you need for your first year at Boston College. Students are encouraged to pack lightly for the fall semester, bringing essential items only. The bare minimum, you should adapt this list to your own situation. To ease packing and shipping, it might make sense to buy some of the items after you arrive. Additionally, consider packing for one season at a time and ditch items during semester break.

TAKE IT

(Personal items to pack)

Extra toilet paper
 Bed sheets, Laundry, Towels
 Extra socks, athletic pads
 (Electronics/Accessories are listed below)

Toiletries
 Student ID card
 Medication and first aid kit
 Medication and allergy prescriptions
 Bus stop/ticket, student ID
 Insurance, policy, license
 Laundry detergent
 Canteen supplies
 Soap, shampoo
 Calendar/paper
 Soap
 Dish soap
 Tissues
 Sun protection (sunscreen, hat)
 Hairbrush
 Bus pass, transit pass
 Underwear, socks
 Headphones
 Toilet paper and LED/UL
 Headphones
 Rubbing Alcohol
 Tissues

LEAVE IT

(Personal items to leave behind)

Newspapers, textbooks
 Canteen, laundry, cleaning, and other supplies
 Space heaters
 Hairbrush
 Antidotes, supplements
 Extra food
 Bathroom
 Laundry, toiletries, and other supplies
 Home loans
 Hair, toiletries, canteen
 Mailbox, 800 number
 Furniture, student
 Hot water
 Tea, coffee, tea, coffee
 Electronic devices
 Socks, shoes, accessories
 Cell phone
 Receipts
 Accessories, and other supplies
 Personal items
 Toiletries
 Bottles, containers, accessories
 Canteen

For a complete list of items to leave behind, visit: www.bc.edu/first-year



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