



ROOMMATE AGREEMENT

Roommate relationships are a critical aspect of the college experience. Developing a positive relationship is a process; it does not happen overnight and takes effort. Though this agreement is not meant to be a comprehensive guide to roommate relationships, it is a great place to begin conversations around your roommate relationship and will hopefully serve as a solid foundation for a meaningful, productive and mutually beneficial relationship between all roommates. This is also intended to facilitate discussion about how roommates will interact and use their bedroom safely during the COVID-19 pandemic. Turn in the completed agreement to your house director or house manager/director of facility operations.

FOUNDATION PRINCIPLES

Roommates should work together to define these principles specifically. These principles create an environment where residents:

1. Feel safe from harm
2. Have a clean and well-maintained space
3. Are able to prioritize academic success
4. Have respect for personal space and belongings
5. Have an environment conducive to sleep
6. Are able to communicate and resolve grievances

PERSONAL PREFERENCES

Are **personal belongings** (think about items such as electronics, food/drinks, clothes, toiletries) shareable?

If so, what items are

Always okay to share:

Never okay to share:

Okay to share with permission:

After using the items, will you return them to their original condition (aside from food/drink)?

In general, are we comfortable sharing things back and forth?

What is the preferred **temperature** of the room?

Do you prefer the **windows** open or closed?

I would like **private time** in the room alone

- (a) a few days a week
- (b) a few hours each week

SOCIAL DISTANCING

How do we plan to move about the room to feel safe and keep appropriate social distance?

How will we position ourselves in our individual beds to accommodate for appropriate social distancing?

Are there any other considerations or measures we want to put in place to be comfortable or that support us taking our health seriously while living together?

CLEANING

When **cleaning** the room, do you prefer the room to be:

- (a) always orderly and clean
- (b) sometimes orderly and clean
- (c) never orderly and clean

When **cleaning** the room, I feel that:

- (a) we should take turns cleaning the entire room
 - (b) we should clean our own sides weekly
 - (c) we should clean our sides of the room when we see fit
 - (d) we should clean the entire room together
- *consider creating a schedule!

When **cleaning** the room, how often will we:

Disinfect high touch surfaces (think doorknobs, light switches, desks, etc.):

Take out the trash:

Clean the floors:

Do our laundry:

Make our beds:

Pick up our belongings:

*Review CDC guidance for [cleaning and disinfection](#) together

SLEEPING

School night **sleeping** hours are between:

If different, non-school sleeping hours are between:

What activities are not okay while **sleeping** (think TV, music, hairdryer, guests, lights, open door):

If we are being disturbed, how will we communicate?

Do you consider yourself a light, heavy or neutral sleeper?

STUDYING

Where do you prefer to **study**?

General **study** times in the room are between:

When **studying**, I prefer:

- (a) low music
- (b) silence
- (c) TV off
- (e) no talking on the phone
- (f) door closed

VISITORS

Do we feel comfortable having **other residents** in our room?

If so, do they need to wear a mask?

Wash/sanitize their hands?

Touch or use our personal belongings?

Is there a time limit on their visit?

Can they be left alone?

COMMUNICATION AND RELATIONSHIP

Preferred means of **communication** when conflict arises:

- (a) face to face
- (b) group text/message
- (c) notes in room
- (d) phone conversation

What kind of **relationship** are you looking for from a roommate?

When I am upset, angry, experiencing failure, or experiencing success, how do you want your roommate to react?

How do we plan to interact with each other?