Packing List

Each student will be provided with a bed, a desk and chair, a dresser, and a closet or wardrobe. Laundry facilities are located in each dormitory. Students living locally with their parents will be staying on campus during orientation, and will need to pack many of the following items for their stay on campus. Those items recommended for off campus students are marked with an asterisk (*).

- Alarm clock (*or watch)
- Appliances- i.e. irons, coffee makers, etc.- with automatic shut-off
- Power strip
- Desk lamp
- Small trash can
- Bedding sheets, blankets, pillows. Beds are standard twin size. (*Off campus students please bring bedding or a sleeping bag for Writing & Thinking Workshop)
- Towels and toiletries (*)
- Sewing kit
- Laundry bag & detergent
- Cold weather clothing for winter & wet weather clothing for spring
- Prepaid phone cards
- Computer
- Cleaning supplies (dust pan and brush, broom or small hand vacuum, for example)
- Items that will make your room feel like home, such as posters, plants, curtains (windows are 50” x 80” and have shades), an area rug.
- Telephone - each room has one phone jack. You should discuss with your roommate which one of you will bring a phone.
- Refrigerator no more than 2 cubic feet in size--only one is permitted per room. Check with your roommate to make sure only one of you brings one.

Prohibited Items

While the list below is fairly comprehensive, we encourage all incoming students to refer to the Student Handbook for a complete list. When in doubt as to whether an item is permitted, students should seek advance written permission from the director of Residence Life prior to bringing the item to campus.

- Simon’s Rock is a dry campus - drugs, alcohol and associated paraphernalia cannot be brought to campus.

- Because of fire and safety concerns, microwaves, toaster ovens, electric blankets and other electric bedding, space heaters, immersion heaters, hot plates, open-coil appliances, fuel-run appliances, halogen lamps, and other potentially dangerous appliances are not allowed in the residence halls; open flames are also prohibited, thus candles, incense and related material are not permitted.

- Weapons, including guns, firearms, ammunition, knives, swords, slingshots, martial arts paraphernalia, explosives and projectile firing devices of any kind are not allowed or permitted. Articles used for class (such as fencing foils, bows for archery, etc.) must be registered with security and students will be referred to the athletic center for storage of such items; small utility or pocket knives are allowed.

- Pets, aside from fish, are not allowed. Freshwater fish may be kept by occupants of double rooms, with agreement of both roommates. Tanks should be made of Plexiglas and be no larger than 10 gallons.
Mail
All students will be assigned a mailbox in the Livingston Hall Student Union. If you do not receive your mailbox number in advance, you will receive additional information when you arrive on campus. All students receive mail at the college using the following address:

Student name
Bard College at Simon’s Rock
SR Box #___
84 Alford Road
Great Barrington, MA 01230-1978, USA

You may ship belongings ahead of your arrival, provided that they arrive after August 1 for the fall semester, or January 2 for the spring semester. Your boxes will be catalogued and stored until you arrive. If you would like to ship anything in advance, please use this temporary address:

Student Name, First Year Student Bard College at Simon’s Rock
84 Alford Road
Great Barrington, MA 01230-1978, USA

Please note:
- "First Year Student" is required, as this will assist the mailroom staff in sorting shipments intended for students arriving in time for Orientation.
- This address should only be used to ship items in advance of your arrival on campus. Once you have moved in, you will receive a permanent address which you can give out in order to receive mail and parcels.
- If you have any questions about what can and cannot be shipped or what address to use, please contact the mailroom at (413) 644-4127.