



CLAREMONT
MCKENNA
— COLLEGE —

Dorm Room Suggestions 2025

For the Desk

- Laptop
- Desk chair (basic ones are provided)
- 20 ft. Ethernet cord (campus wi-fi is available)
- Desk lamp (non-halogen type)
- Calendar (First-year students will receive an academic planner during orientation)
- Book bag/backpack
- Erasable message board, dry erase markers
- Calculator
- Stapler and staples
- Fun-tac (removable and non-staining)
- Pens, pencils, highlighters
- Post-its, notebooks, folders
- Flash drive
- Tape (blue tape, clear tape)

For the Closet

- Clothes hangers
- Clothes drying rack
- Laundry basket/bag
- Laundry detergent, fabric softener sheets, stain remover
- A few small plastic bins for storage (a bigger wooden dresser is provided)
- Iron and a small ironing board

For the Bathroom

- Bath caddy/basket (no wider than 10")
- Soap
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Shaving supplies
- Brush/comb
- Other toiletries/nail clippers
- Hair dryer
- Contact lens supplies/spare pair of eyeglasses
- Towels, washcloths
- Tissues
- Shower shoes/flip flops

For Around the Room

- Comforter/blanket/throw blankets
- Sheets (**twin extra long**)
- Pillows and pillowcases
- Mattress cover and/or pad
- Bath towels
- Disinfecting wipes
- Speakers/headphones
- Decorations, posters, pictures
- Small free-standing shelves, bookshelves, or storage bins
- Fan(s) (especially for North Quad)

NOTE: air conditioning units are not allowed

Miscellaneous Items

- Lint roller
- Extra batteries
- Earplugs
- Lamp (non-halogen) and light bulbs
- Surge protectors/power strip (three-prong and grounded). You may want more than one.
- Extension cords
- Plates, cups, silverware
- Dish soap
- Coffee mug
- Flashlight
- Bicycle and lock (Kryptonite U-locks work well)
- Umbrella or rain jacket (it actually does rain in California!)
- Credit card
- Water filter pitcher, water bottle
- First aid kit (cold remedies, painkillers, bandages, cough drops, antibiotic creams, necessary medications)
- Sunglasses, sunblock
- Bathing suit, beach towel

If you plan to have an on-campus job, you will need a copy of the following documents:

- Passport or state-issued ID
- Birth certificate
- Social Security card
- Health insurance card

A microfridge (microwave/refrigerator combo) is placed in each room on campus. No need to bring additional refrigerators or microwaves. Remember, large items can be shipped and many stores are within a short distance from the College. Limited dollies/carts are available during orientation, at no charge, through the mailroom at Story House. First-year Guides will be on hand at Orientation to help you unload your vehicle!