



My Space – Decorating your room!

Room Decorating

Your room gives you the opportunity to create a new living environment. This is your home away from home, so decorating and personalizing your room is strongly encouraged. You will be able to talk to, write to, or email your roommate before you move to campus. This will help you plan what to bring so you avoid duplicating non-personal items. Any furniture that is in your room when you arrive must stay in your room. Storing residence hall furniture outside of its original room is strictly prohibited and may result in fines.

Adhesives, such as glue, duct tape, or anything that may remove paint may not be used on the walls. Any damage to the room including walls, furniture, ceilings, doors, and windows will be charged to the resident(s) at checkout. Students may not paint or wallpaper your rooms. Due to fire and safety concerns students may not hang signs or decorations on the hallway wall around their door. Decorations should not block lights or windows and must be fire retardant if hung near any heat source. In addition, beanbags made with polyethylene materials may not be used in the residence halls.

Since Truman is a dry campus, we do not allow any alcohol beverage containers (empty or full), boxes, bottles, or cans in the residence hall rooms. If you have an empty champagne bottle that holds sentimental value to you, please leave it at home.

Temperature Control

When decorating your room, please take care to not place any items in ways that they block the ventilation system in your room. If blocked, air cannot circulate through it to heat your room the cold season. If your room is not heating, check the area around the ventilator first before calling the Facilities Fix-It Line (660-785-4687). Due to fire safety policies, students are not allowed to have space heaters; however, if the temperature in a student room is less than 65 degrees Fahrenheit, as determined by Facilities, you may temporarily be issued one with a paid security deposit. (West Campus Suites, BNB, Campbell and Randolph Apts., Dobson, Missouri and Ryle Hall have individual air conditioning and heat control within resident rooms.)

WELCOME HOME!

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Room Sizes

Room sizes and shapes vary between each residence hall because of the building's unique design and room types. Because so many rooms differ in size, Residence Life does not have exact room, window, or closet measurements for each specific room on campus. Approximate room sizes are listed on a chart in the handbook section of our Web site (reslife.truman.edu/information/handbook/) and it is highly recommended that you measure your room after you arrive before you purchase items that require specific dimensions (carpet, curtains, etc.).

Room Furnishings

The University furnishes rooms with:

- ❖ bunkable/loftable beds with bed rails
- ❖ standard **twin-sized** mattresses (36" x 76")
- ❖ a dresser or drawers to share between residents
- ❖ closets or wardrobes
- ❖ window miniblinds
- ❖ desk with drawer space (per resident)

Beds may be bunked or lofted (extra pieces are included to form a loft, which allows desks and chairs to be placed underneath). Homemade lofts are not allowed. **For taller students:** If you are 6'4" or taller, you may request an extra long bed and mattress by calling the Facilities Department at (660) 785-5253. (A limited number are available.)

You Should Bring

For your room...

- a mattress pad and liner
- bed linens (**standard twin**), pillow, blanket and bedspread
- towels and washcloths
- shower curtain (except for Dobson, Missouri and Ryle Hall rooms 3301-09, 4301-09, 5301-09)
- alarm clock or clock radio
- toiletries
- hair dryer, curling iron
- cleaning products
- air freshener
- toilet paper (except for students placed in Dobson, Missouri and Ryle Hall rooms 3301-09, 4301-09, 5301-09)

- UL extension cords not to exceed 6' in length, 15 AMP minimum
- non-halogen desk lamp, floor, or bedside lamp for reading and studying
- wastebasket
- organizer/storage units or boxes, such as under-the-bed boxes
- lockable safe
- computer (computer work stations are also available for use)

For your wardrobe...

- clothes hangers
- laundry basket
- ironing board and iron
- detergent and dryer sheets

For mishaps, emergencies, and general "fix-its"...

- first-aid kit or sewing kit
- flashlight
- small tool kit (screw driver, hammer, pliers, etc.)
- extra batteries

For getting around the area...

- bicycle
- in-line skates
- umbrella
- backpack
- good walking shoes
- boots for wet or snowy weather
- light jacket and a warm coat

For study breaks and general relaxing...

- radio, stereo, ipod, or portable CD player
- small television
- DVD player & movies
- game stations & video games
- sports equipment (balls, sports shoes, bat, etc.)

To make your new room feel more like home...

- posters
- photos of family and friends
- indoor plants
- fan
- utensils for snacks
- favorite coffee or tea mug

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YOU COULD ALSO BRING:

- rugs
 - small couch/futon
 - chair
- Remember that space is limited, and that any University furniture that is in your room when you arrive must stay in your room. Storing residence hall furniture outside of its original room is prohibited.

DO NOT BRING:

Pets except for fish or small amphibians as long as they are nonpoisonous and live in a tank that is less than 30 gallons.

Microwaves are not allowed in resident rooms in Grim or Centennial Halls unless they are a part of the Microfridge units that may be reserved through the Residence Life Office.

Air Conditioners are not permitted unless the student presents a new prescriptive letter every academic year from a medical family practice physician or allergist (M.D. or D.O.) by January 23. See back of "Roommate Relations" for more information. Missouri, West Campus Suites, BNB, Dobson, Ryle Hall, Randolph and Campbell Apartments have air conditioning.