



Department of Residential Life and Housing

ROOMMATE AGREEMENT

This agreement is designed to help roommates get to know each other and to start opening the lines of communication on topics that we know are important for successful roommate relationships. Please read the Roommate Success Guide at <http://www.desu.edu/housing>

Roommate Names: _____

Address: _____ Date: _____

BREAKING THE ICE

1. Have you ever shared a room before? If so, what was it like for you?	
2. My hobbies/interests include:	
3. What is your major? What do you hope to do with it?	
4. My ethnic, racial and national origin is...	
5. The things I value are...	
6. My faith/spiritual life involves...	
7. My lifestyle choices include... (i.e. choice to abstain from alcohol use, vegetarianism, etc.)	

COMMUNICATION

1. Where and how will phone messages be left?	
2. Where and how will messages be left if someone stops by?	
3. How late is it okay for friends/family to call?	
4. How will we communicate when something is bothering one of us?	
5. Are you comfortable discussing personal differences? If not, how would you like to be approached if someone has a question for you? (i.e. cultural differences, religious differences, lifestyle differences, etc.)	

GUESTS/VISITORS/ROOM USE

1. What will you do if friends want to visit when one of you is studying?	
2. How will each of you get enough time for yourself in the room without others, including your roommate (s)?	
3. How will you confront your roommate if he/she is violating a policy in the room?	
4. Will you keep the door locked when you are down the hall in the bathroom, study lounge, visiting friends? What about when you are out of the building? What happens if someone loses his/her keys?	
5. If one of you is away for the weekend, may a guest use your bed?	

STUDY/SLEEP TIME

1. Are you a morning or night person? When do you typically go to bed? Wake up? How will we work things out if our sleeping patterns are different?	
2. What type of environment helps you concentrate on your studies most effectively (music or no music, others in the room, etc.)?	
3. If one person is sleeping, what activities are acceptable in the room?	

USE OF BELONGINGS

1. Will you both have equal access to the computer, stereo, TV, etc. regardless of who brought them?	
2. What is your agreement on borrowing each other's belongings? Are there specific items that are exceptions?	

CLEANLINESS & CLIMATE OF ROOM

1. Is neatness important to one or both of you?	
2. Is the room configuration comfortable for both of you?	
3. Who will clean what and when?	
4. How often will we take out the trash?	
5. How do you prefer to keep the temperature of the room?	
6. Are there particular things that one or both of you are allergic to (i.e. dust, latex, etc.)	

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