**Do I need Renter’s Insurance?**
All students should carry renter’s insurance for personal belongings. Whether in your room, in storage or even during a storm, accidents happen. It’s always better to be prepared. The University cannot replace or reimburse for items lost or damaged.

**Do I need a personal computer?**
It would be great if everyone owned a personal computer, but you don’t have to have one. Eastern University has computers in the library, the residence halls and in the McInnis computer labs for students to use for email, Internet and writing papers. If you do have your own PC, you can bring it with you to use in your room. If you want to use the University network or server, more information will be available from Academic Computing. We guarantee one computer hook-up per room. Hubs may be used to run multiple computers on one connection. Don’t forget your surge protector!

**Do I need to bring a phone/answering machine?**
Each room at Eastern is equipped with a telephone and individual, private voice mail that can be accessed from any phone in the world. To set up your personal voice mail you must fill out a brief form available on move in day or in Student Development. Each student is given a personal account. Students are billed for all non-local calls.

**May I bring a car?**
First year resident students are not permitted to have cars on campus. Transfer students, with 28 credits or more accepted, may apply for a permit by completing the permit application included with their bill. Those who feel they have special circumstances that necessitate the need for a car on campus can follow the directions on the parking form included in this packet. Do NOT bring a car to campus without a permit. There are plenty of public transportation opportunities near campus. Local shopping is within walking distance. Parking space is very limited and not guaranteed.

**May I come to see my room?**
The residence halls are not available for tours during the summer because they are used for conference groups. We do not have access to the rooms during the summer months.

**Will the new bed sheets I got as a graduation gift fit my bed?**
Maybe. The beds and mattresses in the residence halls differ and we cannot keep track of sizes. However, most mattresses are standard sized. If you purchase sheets, we suggest extra long sheets to ensure they fit. Better to have a little extra to tuck in than to be short and not fit at all!

**Do I need curtains?**
Each window has mini-blinds. It is not necessary to have curtains in the rooms. However, one can purchase an adjustable spring curtain rod and curtains to spice up the decor if desired. Wait until you arrive and talk to your roommate. Since many windows differ, specific window measurements are not available.

**Do I need a TV/VCR?**
You may bring these items with you, but we suggest one per room. Please talk with your roommate regarding the sharing of these items. It is not necessary to have a TV because at least one lounge in the residence hall is equipped with one. The TVs in the lounges have
cable access, but the rooms do not. Who has time to watch TV when there is so much to
learn and so many new people to meet?! (We recommend that you purchase surge
protectors for these items!)

**What furniture is in my room?**
Each room has closet space (or a wardrobe unit), a bed, a desk, a chair, and a dresser for each student. We
have very limited storage space so furniture **cannot be removed** from the room. We discourage the use of
lofts. Do not bring one unless you have received written permission in advance from Resident Services.

**May I bring small appliances? Which ones can I bring?**
We permit the use of small appliances in the residence halls. Appliances must be in good working condition
and may not have an open coil. Permitted appliances are: small microwave, small refrigerator (no larger than
4 cubic feet), toaster or toaster oven, and hot pot. All appliances must be in good working order—no frayed
cords, exposed wires, etc. No hot plates, space heaters or halogen lamps/bulbs are permitted. Contact your
roommate(s) to decide who will bring which item. (We recommend that you purchase surge protectors for
these items too!)

**Helpful Hint:**
Call your roommate(s). Find out what each other has so you don’t end up bringing too much of everything.