Packing Tips

Unsure what to bring with you? Here are some ideas to help you pack for university.

To save space whilst travelling, you may prefer to buy larger items once you have arrived. There are places on or close to campus, including the Rootes Grocery Store, which stock a selection of kitchen utensils, cutlery, crockery and glassware.

Please see the Warwick Accommodation website for details of what is provided in our halls of residence (undergraduate and postgraduate).

Bed linen

If you will be living on campus, a bed sheet, duvet, duvet cover, pillow and pillowcase are provided but you are welcome to bring your own bed linen and duvet if you prefer.

If you are living off campus, please note that you will need to supply all bedding:

- Duvet
- Bed sheet
- Pillow
- Pillowcases
- Blanket

For your room

- Clock/alarm
- Phone and charger
- Chargers
- Adaptors (if coming from overseas)
- Hairbrush
- Ear plugs
- Laundry basket
- Torch
- Plasters
- Tissues
- Hairdryer
- Photos of friends and family
- Door stop

For your studies

- Laptop/tablet device and charger
- Notepad
• Pens
• Highlighters
• Scissors
• Stapler
• Post-it notes
• Hole punch
• A4 ring binders
• Paper/plastic wallets
• File dividers
• Student planner/diary

For the bathroom

• Hand towels
• Bath towels
• Toothbrush and toothpaste
• Toothbrush holder
• Toiletries (shampoo, soap, deodorant, body wash etc). If you are travelling to the UK, you may prefer to buy these when you arrive.
• Razor

Kitchen items

• Cutlery (knives, forks, spoons)
• Crockery (plates, mugs, bowls)
• Pots and pans (wok, saucepan)
• Baking tray
• Kitchen Scissors
• Chopping board
• Sieve/colander
• Tin opener
• Bottle opener
• Vegetable peeler
• Wooden spoon
• Washing-up liquid
• Dishcloths
• Tea towels
• Washing up gloves
• Oven gloves
• Cling film
• Kitchen roll
• Tin foil
• Student recipe book
Clothing
- Warm clothes
- Layers
- Dressing gown
- Clothes hangers
- Swimming costume
- Sport or gym clothes

Additional items
- Washing powder
- Laundry bag
- Reusable shopping bags
- Personal medication
- Umbrella
- Playing cards
- A bag for your things

Documents
- Driving licence or passport (useful ID)
- National Insurance number
- NHS medical card
- Details of your vaccination history
- Insurance documents
- Confirmation letters of your scholarship or bursary if appropriate
- Any information from your Local Education Authority, the SLC (Student Loans Company) or Student Finance Direct
- Arrivals instructions for your accommodation
- Cheque book
- Bank debit card
- Travel discount cards (16-25 Railcard etc). Great for cheap travel home
- CV and references
- DBS check - applicant's copy (if required by your course)
- Relevant exam certificates or results slips

If you are not an EEA citizen, you may also need to bring these with you:
- Your passport (or Identity Card if relevant) containing your visa
- Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) (if applicable)
- Offer letter from the University (if applicable)
• CAS email (if this is returned to you after your visa application)
• Evidence of financial support e.g. bank statements or sponsorship letter
• Evidence of accommodation (if available)
• Evidence of TB examination (if available)
• Police Registration Certificate (if you have previously studied in the UK)
• Documents used to support your visa application as mentioned in your CAS
• Certificate of Good Conduct or Police Check if you’re thinking of volunteering