

General Information

You may have never shared your living space with someone else. Listening, communicating, and compromising are all important aspects of successful roommate relationships. This workbook will help you begin thinking about initial conversations that you need to have with your roommate(s) and help you decide what you need to include on your Roommate Agreement. Please complete this workbook individually and be honest with yourself about your habits, preferences, and expectations. After completing the workbook, you and your roommate(s) should complete the Roommate Agreement. As always, your RA is available as a resource during this process. **Your Roommate Agreement must adhere to all policies set forth in the Loyola Community Standards.**

Visitation and Guests

- What times do I prefer to have visitors? What times do I not want visitors at all? _____
- Are visitors of the opposite sex allowed? _____
- Are groups of friends allowed? _____
- How much advance notice would I like for overnight guests? (Opposite gender guests are not permitted to stay overnight.) _____
- How do I feel about my roommate being intimate with his/her significant other in our room? _____
- If visitors are bothering me, how will I tell them? _____
- How do I want to be told? _____
- How do I feel about visitors being left in the room when my roommate or I aren't present? _____
- When I'm gone, can guests sleep in my bed? _____

Housekeeping

- Am I very neat, messy, or in-between? _____
- If a roommate is neater or less neat than I am, how will we compromise? _____
- Have we set up a cleaning schedule? _____
- Do I prefer certain tasks? Are there some things that I can't stand to do? _____
- Do I like the set-up of the room? _____
- Do I like the room cool or warm? _____

Personal Property

- Do I mind sharing my personal items with roommates? If it is OK, which items are for common use? Which items are off limits?
- Do I want to be asked before others use/borrow my things?
- How will the CDs, DVDs, TV, etc. be shared?

Study Time

- When do I study (day or night)?
- Does music/TV bother me when studying?
- Do I study in the common space, my room, or the library?
- Do I study a little each day or cram?
- If I cram, do I expect the world to stop and be quiet for me?
- Would I prefer to set study times with my roommates?

Personal Habits

- When do I usually go to sleep? Wake up?
- Can I sleep with other things going on (lights, music, guests, talking, etc.)?
- How late is “too late” for phone calls, texts/Instant Messages, and typing in the room?
- What amount of noise is acceptable if my roommate comes in late? Gets ready in the morning?
- Am I comfortable having or using alcohol in the room knowing that it is not permitted for students under 21?
- What if my roommate wants to have or use Drugs/paraphernalia in the room?
- How will I inform/confront my roommate on these things?
- How do I want to be confronted?
