

Packing Guide for International Students

Hand Luggage Checklist:

- Purse / Wallet with credit or debit card
- Passport or ID
- Driving Licence (if you plan to drive in the UK)
- Mobile / Cell
- Mobile / Cell charger
- iPad or laptop and cable
- Headphones 🎧
- USB stick
- Pounds Sterling (we don't recommend bringing large amounts of cash though)
- Offer letter from the University
- Accommodation letter / details of where you will be living
- Small wash bag (small toiletries bottles, toothbrush and toothpaste)
- A light change of clothes



Top tip from Kristen,
International Student Experience Manager:

“A word of warning: although your baggage is very unlikely to go missing, it has been known to happen. Make sure that any valuables (like laptops) are in your hand luggage!”

Check-In Luggage Checklist:

Clothes

- Warm weather clothes – t-shirts, shorts, dresses
- Cold weather clothes – jumpers / sweatshirts, warm jacket / coat (the weather in the UK is variable!)
- Waterproof / raincoat
- Swimming costume (there's a swimming pool 10 minutes' walk from campus)
- Flip flops
- Pyjamas
- Slippers
- Sports clothes

Accessories

- Umbrella ☂
- Sunglasses 🕶



Electrical items

- Selfie stick 😊

Study items

- Pens
- Notebook

Stuff for your room

- A favourite book or two (for a cosy night in)
- Towel
- A favourite pillow case or duvet set (if you're living on campus, you'll receive a bedding pack that includes a pillow, duvet, duvet set and sheets when you move into your room)
- Earplugs and eye mask
- Any medication you like to have to hand e.g. plasters, throat lozenges, pain relievers

Things you might buy when you get here:

- Books from your programme reading list
- Extension lead
- Speakers (if you like your music!) 🎵
- Hairdryer, straighteners or curlers (if you want to bring these with you from home, please be aware that UK wall sockets have their own plug style)
- Adaptor - to physically plug something from home into the wall, you'll need a plug adaptor. You can find a handy guide to plug and voltage information at: www.adaptelec.com/Country-Specific-Answers/Electrical-Plug-Outlet-and-Voltage-Information-for-United-Kingdom.
- Batteries
- Scarf and hat
- Dressing gown
- Evening dress or smart jacket (we do have some fancy events on campus – these are optional but fun!) 🎀
- Toiletries
- Some kitchen items of your own depending on where you live – glass, mug, bowl, plate, tin opener, bottle opener
- Stuff to do in your free time – books, frisbee, football ⚽

Top tip from Ola,
St Mary's international student:

"Be prepared for any kind of weather!"

