

## INSTRUCTIONS:

Complete Section A independently. If you have a different answer than that is listed, write your own response. After completion of Section A, sit down with your roommate to discuss your responses and then complete the roommate contract, Section B.

## Your Room

Your room is a place to sleep and study, and a whole lot more. It is a place for you to live and experience university as fully as you can. Your room could be the gathering place for your floor, it could be the haven for intellectual thought, or it could be simply a place of relaxation. The quality of life that you choose to have in your room will depend on you, your roommate, and your relationship with each other.

**REMEMBER, IT IS THE SMALL THINGS THAT ADD UP TO ROOMMATE PROBLEMS. OPEN COMMUNICATION IS THE KEY TO ROOMMATE SUCCESS**



# Section A

11. *... ..*

- a. Lend it to the person
- b. Never lend out anything of mine
- c. Loan it to the person only if I have previously stated that it is okay to do so
- d. ... ..

12. *... ..*

- a. Never
- b. Weekly
- c. Multiple days per week
- d. ... ..

13. *... ..*

- a. ... ..
- b. ... ..
- c. ... ..
- d. ... ..

14. *... ..*

- a. Should never be left alone in the room
- b. Can be left alone in the room for a short period of time
- c. Should be able to stay in the room with my roommate or myself present
- d. ... ..

15. *... ..*

- a. A few hours a day
- b. A few hours each week
- c. ... ..
- d. ... ..

16. *... ..*

- a. Let my roommate know I would return
- b. Wait to see if it is a big deal or not
- c. Prefer to not worry about letting my roommate know
- d. ... ..

17. *... ..*

- a. Tell me right away and talk about it with me
- b. Wait to see if it's really a big deal or not
- c. Not be so sensitive and demanding
- d. ... ..

18. *... ..*

- a. To talk things out
- b. Space and time to deal with it on my own
- c. To blow off steam, then I am okay
- d. ... ..

19. *... ..*

- a. I tend to trust until someone proves they are trustworthy
- b. I don't trust ever easily
- c. Someone has to work hard to earn my trust
- d. ... ..

20. *... ..*

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21. *... ..*

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22. *... ..*

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# Section B

You and your roommate are individuals with particular interests, goals, likes, and dislikes. You may not find it necessary to share every aspect of university life with your roommate. Learning to accept each other's differences without infringing upon one another's freedom is a valuable part of your total education. Learning how to be part of a community is an essential life skill.

If conflicts arise, speak with your roommate first. Talk the problem through before it becomes a major issue. Communication is the key before, during, and after conflicts or situations come up. If this step is not successful, then contact your Resident Life Manager (RLM). Your RLM's is experienced in dealing with problems that arise and should be able to assist you in conflict resolution.

Remember that you owe your roommate the courtesy of speaking to them first before seeking help from the Residence Life Staff. Spending the time now to thoroughly discuss these and other issues will prevent problems from occurring throughout the year.

This is a tool for you and your roommate to use throughout the year. Feel free to attach additional sheets and add other rights, responsibilities, and agreements as necessary. Contact your RLM with questions.

ROOMMATES:

BUILDING:

ROOM:

PHONE:

The basic rights of a roommate included, but are not limited to:

1. *(faded text)* ( , , , )

5. \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ (.)

- a. Men are allowed until:
- b. Women are allowed until:
- c. Two-Spirit, trans, non-binary, and other gender nonconforming people are allowed until:
- d. Guests' access to men's (side of the) room:
- e. Other arrangements made by roommates in following visitation:

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10. \_\_\_\_\_

(Residence Life Staff members are available for assistance in settling conflicts, but roommates should attempt to work out issues among themselves first.)

11. \_\_\_\_\_

12. \_\_\_\_\_

- a. Other agreements are as follows

NOTE: If my roommate or I have any concerns with the rights and agreements stated above or regarding our roommate relationship, we will:

1. First, talk with each other and try to work the problems out between us, or
2. Second, Re-establish the terms in the Roommate Agreement to create a conducive environment to our well-beings.
3. Third, consult with our RLM to work with us on a resolution of our problems.

Ultimately, each roommate needs to be a responsible individual who is respectful of the rights and preferences of those around them. A little courtesy goes a long way - respect to both give and receive it. Communicating, especially in one-on-one, is an essential life skill.

We, the undersigned, agree to the above stated rights and behavior decisions. Additionally, we agree that specific stipulations may be adjusted by the mutual agreement of all roommates.

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Signature

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Date

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