

# ROOMMATE AGREEMENT



Building/Room: \_\_\_\_\_

RA: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Roommate Name #1 \_\_\_\_\_

Print Roommate Name #2 \_\_\_\_\_

## SHARING PERSONAL BELONGINGS

For each item listed, check **Yes**, **No**, or **Ask**. Share your answers with each other and discuss your reasoning. Add your own items at the end of the list.

	Roommate #1			Roommate #2			Suitemate #1			Suitemate #2		
	Yes	No	Ask	Yes	No	Ask	Yes	No	Ask	Yes	No	Ask
Hygiene Products												
Cleaning Products												
Stereo/MP3 Player												
Television												
Game System												
Computer												
Printer												
Movies												
Cell Phone												
Food/Beverages												
Books/Supplies												
Clothing												
Furniture/Bed												
Cooking Utensils												
Money												
Other:												

Building/Room: \_\_\_\_\_

## RESPONSIBILITIES

### SECURITY

I agree to lock the door of our shared space each time I leave. I also understand that failure to do so could constitute negligence. If theft or vandalism to property in our shared space results from my negligence, I understand that I may be liable for the loss. Furthermore, I understand that I cannot give my keys and/or TigerCard to anyone.

Roommate #1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate #2 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### ROOM CLEANING

The cleanliness of the shared space is our responsibility and will be managed as indicated below. Choose an option from each column:

	Who does it?		How often?		
	On a rotating basis	A specific person	Daily	Weekly	Other
Trash/Recycling Removal					
Vacuuming/mopping shared floor space					
Cleaning the fridge and removing expired food					
Cleaning the sink/shower					

Should we disagree on the amount of cleanliness/tidiness each can tolerate, we will resolve our concerns in this manner:

\_\_\_\_\_

Roommate #1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate #2 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Suitemate #1 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Suitemate #2 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### QUIET HOURS/STUDY/SLEEP

I understand that the residence hall has set quiet hours (10pm-10am) and that 24-hours a day are courtesy hours where I must be respectful of my community. I also understand that I need to be aware of how much noise I produce in my space.

When we study in our shared space... (circle all that apply)

Our environment should have:

The time is likely:

<b>NoTV</b>	<b>No Music</b>	<b>No Guests</b>
<b>During the day</b>	<b>During the night</b>	<b>Depends</b>

During weeknights (Sun-Thurs), our space will be used for sleeping from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

During weekends (Fri & Sat), our space will be used for sleeping from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

These behaviors will **not** happen when a roommate is sleeping:

\_\_\_\_\_

Do the same rules apply to naps?    **Yes**    **No**    If no, what are the rules? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If I use the audible snooze option on my alarm, how many times is acceptable? \_\_\_\_\_

How loud is it appropriate to play music in our shared space? \_\_\_\_\_

If I am making too much noise or my music is too loud (for studying, sleeping, or other activities), how do I want my roommate to tell me?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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## GUESTS

How many visiting guests are allowed in our space at one time? \_\_\_\_\_

Is overnight okay? Roommate #1 Roommate #2

**Yes No Yes No**

Is there a time that is too late to have visitors/guests in the room?

**If the consensus is yes, roommates must ask for permission each time guest(s) visit.**

Where will opposite gender overnight guests stay while visiting?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Guests can visit      On the weekends      On the weeknights  
**Yes      No      Yes      No**

The following advance notice will normally be given for overnight guests: \_\_\_\_\_ days.

Guests can stay **two** nights in a row.

Guests can stay \_\_\_\_\_ times a month (not more than 8 nights per semester).

## COMMUNICATION

What restrictions are there for taking calls from a cell phone in the shared space (or other communication such as Skype)?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Discuss how your roommate will know when you are stressed.

Discuss any actions that could be avoided to reduce stress in the space.

What do we need from each other when we are stressed/upset? \_\_\_\_\_

If there is a problem between us we will resolve it in this way: \_\_\_\_\_

## STRATEGIES FOR RESOLVING ROOMMATE CONFLICTS

### 1. Discuss the concern with your roommate.

Your roommate(s) may not be aware that you have a concern. Make sure that you raise your concerns in a timely manner. Be specific about your concerns.

### 2. Compromise.

Discuss the concern(s). Determine if the original agreement needs to be revised.

How can you compromise to reach a new agreement or reinforce the original agreement?

### 3. If compromise does not work, consult a residence life staff member.

If you are unable to agree on an issue, contact a Resident Assistant (RA), Graduate Area Coordinator (GAC) to assist with the mediation process. The mediation will consist of you and your roommate meeting with an RA and/or GAC to discuss the concern. The goal of the mediation is to develop an agreement to enable everyone to live together.

## OTHER AREA(S) FOR DISCUSSION

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## FINAL AGREEMENT

We agree to the guidelines created in this roommate agreement on (date): \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate #1 Signature

\_\_\_\_\_

Roommate #2 Signature

\_\_\_\_\_