

## THINGS TO PACK

### Clothes

- Favorite things that you cannot imagine living without
- One traditional outfit for cultural events
- A good, sturdy coat (if you already have one)
- A wind-breaker/raincoat/waterproof outerwear
- Something to work out in + sneakers
- Versatile clothing, meaning you can wear it for as much of the year as possible (mostly cold weather!)
- One formal outfit (a dress, a decked-out suit, shoes)
- Interview clothes/Professional attire (it is recommended to bring some from home as these clothing items are rather expensive here in the United States)
- Shoes (try and limit it to five pairs)
- Glasses, both prescription and sunglasses
- Winter boots (if you already have a set)

### Useful Items

- The U.S. is 110v; power converter and power adapters for your items
- A compact umbrella if you already have one
- All the portable electronic things you might need and REMEMBER THE CHARGERS AND CABLES
- ADAPTERS!!!
- Past papers/notes that may be helpful in the classes you'll take here
- Calculator
- Medicine/prescriptions (can be very expensive in U.S.)

### Miscellaneous Items

- Small sentimental things that remind you of home/friends/loved ones (pictures)
- Spices and snacks that you either cannot buy in the United States or may be very expensive in the United States

## THINGS TO PACK IN YOUR CARRY-ON BAG

### Travel Documents

- I-20
- Passport + other forms of ID
- Photo-copy of your passport + other travel documents
- Insurance card (travel insurance, too)

### Other things

- Chargers for your phone and computer
- Neck pillow
- Snacks
- Gum (helps with air pressure and popping your ears)
- Medication if you get travel sickness
- Headphones/ear buds
- A light jacket (it can get cold on the plane)
- Glasses (if you wear contacts) + contact solution for taking them out
- Some cash for food or souvenirs (\$100-200)

## THINGS TO BUY AFTER ARRIVAL

### Clothes

- Flip flops (shower shoes) \*
- A good, sturdy coat (if you don't have one at home)
- Winter boots (if you didn't have any at home)

### Useful Items

- A compact umbrella (you can find some for cheap if you didn't have one at home)
- A coffee/tea tumbler (another reminder that it's cold here for most of the school year)
- Pillow
- Towels
- A minifridge \* (make sure to talk to your roommate before buying one)
- Shower tote \*
- Laundry basket, laundry detergent, dryer sheets
- Vacuum, swiffer, broom, something to clean the floors with
- Hangers for your clothes
- Command hooks and painter's tape \*
- Textbooks (excessive weight for someone with limited baggage)

**\*Recommended for on campus-housing**