

Bedroom Allowable Furnishings

Students are not permitted to alter their residence bedroom in any way, including but not limited to: painting, wallpapering, installing shelves, hooks or mounts, or removing window treatments. Students are not permitted to repair their own drywall or install additional window treatments.

Students are not permitted to raise their bed frames on blocks, milk crates, etc. Students who cause damage to their bedroom, unit, or common space due to these alterations will be responsible for the costs associated with the damages incurred. More information related to cleaning and repair charges can be found on the Brock Housing Services website.

When changing the height of beds within adjustable frames (including un-bunking bunk beds), students must ensure that they are following the guidelines as directed on their specific building Room Condition & Inventory forms and maintaining the room layout specifics to avoid year end charges. You can view your room layout online at brocku.ca/housing.

This document contains pictures and descriptions of examples of acceptable furnishings for all residence bedrooms.

Why am I only allowed to bring certain items?

- Your room/unit is already fully furnished. This means you don't have the costs associated with buying new furniture and the hassle of trying to figure out what will fit in the space you have. Furniture can also be heavy and difficult to move with the potential to cause damage.

- Bringing in additional furniture or oversized items furniture can clutter the space and become a fire hazard. It increases the fire load and can pose difficulties with evacuation in emergencies.
- Bringing in used or found furniture can result in pest control issues in residence.
- These proactive steps help us to keep our residences safe, clean, and pest-free.

Why don't we allow wood or fabric furnishings brought in from outside Residence?

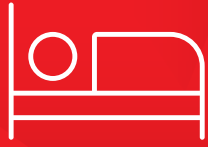
Wood and fabric furniture is often difficult to keep clean. They also have many seams and joints that can hide unwanted pests such as bed bugs. We maintain our Brock furniture and sanitize all mattresses and fabrics (like couches and carpets) to ensure there are no pest issues and furniture is properly cleaned prior to your arrival.

What is considered "wood"?

When we say wood, we are also referring to laminates, pressboard and MDF. Their designs and uses are similar to that of wood. Flat pack furniture, such as that sold at IKEA, is often made of pressboard/MDF and would be considered a wood product.

What happens if a non-allowable item is found in my room/unit?

Infractions are dealt with through a variety of mechanisms depending on the severity of the incident. Refer to the Residence Community Standards RCS under Administration & Enforcement of Residence Community Standards.



Mattress Pads and Toppers

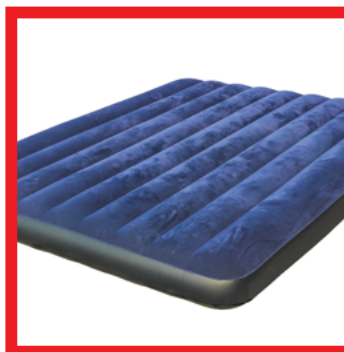
The following mattress pads and toppers are permitted in Traditional, Semi-Suite and Townhouse style residence bedrooms.

Additional Information

- Maximum thickness of 3 inches. Anything greater than 3 inches in thickness is considered a mattress and is not permitted.
- Only one mattress topper/pad is permitted per student
- Air mattresses, lounge cushions and sleeping pads are not permitted
- If a special mattress or mattress pad is required for medical reasons, students must complete the Medical & Special Consideration Form on the residence website and receive approval before bringing the item to residence



Too thick





Desk/Study Chairs

Vinyl, Plastic, Leather or Mesh

The following chairs are permitted in Traditional, Semi-Suite and Townhouse style residence bedrooms.

Additional Information

- Students are allowed to bring one personal chair for their bedroom
- The Brock provided desk chair must be kept in the room
- Chairs must be vinyl, plastic, leather, mesh or metal. Fabric and wood of any kind is not permitted



Vinyl



Plastic



Leather





Shoe Racks

Metal or Plastic

The following shoe racks/organizers are permitted in Traditional, Semi-Suite and Townhouse style residence bedrooms.

Additional Information

- Metal or plastic only. No wood or fabric.
- Organizers cannot be affixed to a surface or wall, or placed over bedroom doors or fire doors
- Over-the-door hanging shoe organizers **can only be hung in closets**



Plastic



Metal

In closet only



No wood



No pressboard





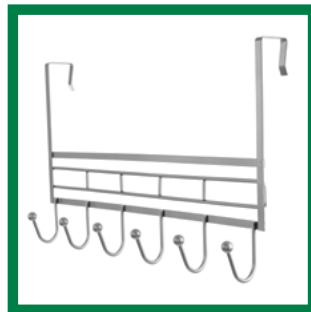
Coat Racks and Non-Adhesive Hooks

Metal or Plastic

The following coat racks and non-adhesive hooks are permitted in Traditional, Semi-Suite and Townhouse style residence bedrooms.

Additional Information

- Cannot be affixed to a surface (bedroom doors included)
- Must be made of plastic or metal
- Plastic adhesive hooks and mounts such as Command Strips are **not permitted** as they result in billable damage to the walls. **Please use poster mounts provided by Brock to avoid damage.**
- Metal or plastic over-the-door hangers can only be used on closet or bathroom doors



Cannot be affixed to the walls or doors





Shelf Units, Storage Drawers and File Cabinets

Metal or Plastic

The following shelf units, storage drawers and file cabinets are permitted in Traditional, Semi-Suite and Townhouse style residence bedrooms.

Additional Information

- **Maximum size:**
15.25 in. L x 21.88 in. W x 31.88 in. H
- Units cannot be affixed to the walls or other surfaces in the room
- Units should be assembled in a secure manner and pose no risk of tipping
- No wood, laminate, pressboard, MDF or wicker permitted
- Bedroom space is limited so compact furniture is highly recommended



Plastic



Plastic and metal



Metal





Ottomans

No fabric

The following ottomans are permitted in Traditional, Semi-Suite and Townhouse style residence bedrooms.

Additional Information

- **Maximum size:**
15.63 in. L x 15.63 in. W x 15.63 in. H
- No fabric, wood or wicker permitted
- Bedroom space is limited so compact, movable furniture is highly recommended



Vinyl



Leather



No fabric



No wicker





Bedside and End Tables

Metal or Plastic

The following tables are permitted in Traditional, Semi-Suite and Townhouse style residence bedrooms.

Additional Information

- **Maximum size:**
22 in. L x 22 in. W x 22 in. H
- No wood, laminate, pressboard, MDF or wicker
- Some rooms come with a bedside table. Review your building's floor plan online at brocku.ca/housing
- Bedroom space is limited so compact and/or foldable furniture is highly recommended



Metal



Plastic



No laminate



No wood elements



No wicker

