HMI Semester On-Campus Packing List

**As a reminder, HMI students cannot receive any packages during the semester. Please be thoughtful about what items you bring**

Pro Tip: Put your name initials on all your belongings as everyone will be bringing similar equipment

**THINGS TO BRING**

☐ Clothes to wear on campus (we encourage students to bring a range of outfits to wear during classes, weekends, indoor/outdoor activities, exercising, cold and warm weather)

Clothing guidelines:

- **Dress code:** Our emphasis is on comfortable, practical, appropriate clothing that demonstrates respect for the various learning environments (both on and off campus). All clothes should be clean, neat and in good repair, and we will ask you not to wear T-shirts and the like with offensive expressions, alcohol companies, or drug references. Some people wear khakis and dress shirts to class, while others wear sweatshirts and sweatpants. We do have optional semiformal events a couple of times each semester, so you might want to bring one such outfit (no pressure!). Some people prefer to wear costumes or other flare to these events instead of dressing up — you do you! Usually, students end up trading these around a bit for variety so plan to do that rather than bringing your entire collection of ball gowns or tuxedos.

- **Weather conditions:** We will experience a range of weather conditions that could look like anywhere between -10°F to 70°F, so please bring weather-appropriate clothing for this range of condition.

- **Laundry machines:** We have laundry machines that students can use as desired. That said, most students bring about 2 weeks worth of clothes to limit their necessary laundry time.

- **Costumes and flare:** As stated above, we love costumes and flare, so bring fun items that you have!

- **Long-term living:** Lastly, we spend a lot of time during the semester living out of our backpacks. We are able to carry everything we need for weeks at a time. As a result, when we return to campus, a few additional items feel like real luxuries. So in the spirit of "simple in means, rich in ends," please limit the quantity of stuff you bring. Bring things you love and embrace living simply.

- **Past experience:** Past semester students have emphasized the importance of packing comfortable clothes that you would wear back home during your average day. As one student said, “I only brought athletic clothing because I thought we would primarily be outside, but we have plenty of normal indoor days, too!”

Specific clothing items to make sure you bring:

☐ Running shoes

☐ Snow boots (you can also wear your hiking boots to double as snow boots)

☐ Shower shoes (flip-flops, crocs, something that can get wet and dry quickly)

☐ Socks (athletic socks for running and wool tall socks for wilderness expeditions)

☐ Swimsuit (we sometimes take a trip to natural hot springs)

☐ Athletic clothes for running in warm and cold weather (running tights, shorts, warm headband, etc.)

☐ Everything on the wilderness packing list

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Bedding
- Pillow/s (1-2) with pillowcases
- Extra long twin-size sheets (bottom and top sheets)
- Warm duvet/blanket — the cabins can get chilly at night!
- 1-2 towels and washcloths
- Laundry bag
- Luggage bags for travel (duffle bag, suitcase, trunk, etc.) — you will have shelves in the cabin for your clothes

Toiletries: HMI provides all basic toiletries including toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, soap, face wash, body wash, lotion, sunscreen, shampoo, conditioner, razors, pads/tampons. *If you have additional toiletries or specific types/brands that you use/need, please bring enough of these items for the semester. Some examples of specialty items might include dry shampoo, shaving cream, electric facial hair trimmer, contact lenses/solution, etc.* We would also advise you to bring your own hairbrush, nail clippers, deodorant, and mouthwash.

School Supplies:
- We will provide you with a set of 3-ring binders, lined paper, graph paper, notebooks (per required by each teacher), mechanical pencils, blue/black pens, highlighter, and an organizational planner. *If you would like to bring your own school supplies, please feel free to do so.*
- School backpack/shoulder bag
- Headphones (with standard 3.5 mm jack plug)
- Graphing calculator, TI-83 or similar for PSAT/SAT test taking only

Optional Items:
- Acoustic musical instrument
- Camera
- Portable music player (mp3 player without internet connection)
- Speaker
- E-reader (without internet browsing capability)

Prohibited Items:
- Internet-enabled electronic devices (music player, e-reader, watch, etc.)
- Game consoles
- Skis, bikes, skateboards, rollerblades, etc. (we prefer to use recreational equipment we all can access)
- Hammocks
- Pocket knives, blades
- Fire starters