

First-Year Student Move-In Day

Friday, August 26 - 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

We're glad that you will be living on Simpson's campus this academic year, and we're happy to assist you in that transition. We want to help make you aware of all the opportunities to participate, learn, and grow that come with living together on a small college campus. Although you'll learn a great deal about your major in the classroom, you will learn about people, including yourself, from your experience in the residence halls.

If you have questions, please check out our website at www.simpson.edu/reslife. If you can't find what you're looking for there, please feel free to contact the Department of Residence Life at (515) 961-1592. After you arrive on campus, get to know your Assistant Director (AD) and Community Advisor (CA) for sources of information and support. **We look forward to seeing you in August!**

Move-In Day Information

Move-In Day for first-year students is scheduled for Friday, August 26 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Each student will sign up for a 30 minute timeslot for move in. Students should check in at their assigned residence hall during their time slot. The link to sign up for a check-in time as well as other guidelines was included in this email.

- Early arrivals for fall athletics, CampusConnect, or bridge programs should check with their coach or group leader for information about check-in dates, times, and locations. Early arrivals are not permitted unless associated with a college program and approved by Residence Life. Students approved to arrive early are unlikely to have help available to move items.
- Keep it simple - bring only what you need.
- Please have someone stay with your vehicle while unloading. We'll help direct you to the best lot for parking once you've completed unloading your vehicle.
- Fill out your room condition report when you get into the room—check for a QR code to scan and complete
- All college-owned furniture, mattresses, etc. present upon arrival must remain in your room.

Quick Facts!

- All residence halls are carpeted, air conditioned, and smoke free!
- Room sizes can be found at simpson.edu/campus-life/residence-life/first-year-halls
- The space under a lofted bed is 38" (d) x 80"(w) x 58"(h).
- Room refrigerators must be no bigger than 4.6 cubic feet.
- Room microwaves must be 1500 watts or less.
- Barker and Kresge beds are usually already lofted.
- The rooms are furnished with a bed, desk, desk chair, dresser, and closet space for each resident and one bookshelf for roommates to share.

To Bring or Not To Bring...

Bring:

- Bed linens; most twin XL sheets fit the 80" mattresses
- 3M/Command hooks and strips
- Surge Protectors (the longer the better)

Don't bring:

- Candles/Incense
- Lofts
- Any open-element/coil appliances like toaster ovens, space heaters, etc.
- Animals (except fish in tanks less than 10 gallons)
- Extension Cords

A complete list can be found at:

<https://simpson.edu/campus-life/residence-life/bring-or-not-bring>

Talk to Your Roommate(s)!

Things to discuss:

- Who's bringing what?
- Do we need a refrigerator? (no bigger than 4.6 cubic feet!) Microwave?
- Room preferences?
- How do you feel about visitors and friends in the room?

COVID Safety Note

- While we anticipate entering into this fall semester being mask optional, this may change based on infection rates on campus and in the surrounding community. With that in mind, **please bring plenty of face masks.**
- Simpson COVID policies can be found [here](#).



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Helpful Information

Connecting to the Simpson Network

- If you have any problems configuring your computer or mobile device to the Simpson network Information Technology Services can help you connect! You can find Information Technology Services representatives in their offices in McNeill Hall. You can also ask your CA more about this if needed on move-in day.
- If you have any questions, please contact ITS by phone (515-961-1411) or email (helpdesk@simpson.edu).

Notes from Information Technology Services

- A free copy of anti-virus software will be available to you when you arrive on campus.
- Even though Simpson has completely wireless access, it is recommended that you bring an Ethernet patch cable for a faster connection, or for high stakes test taking. We recommend a 25' cable. Many devices will require that you know your Media Access Control (MAC) address in order to connect to Wi-Fi. During welcome week in August, we will provide a guide for finding this and connecting to the network. You may also look at this prior to your arrival by using your favorite internet search engine to research how to locate a MAC address for your specific device.

Mail

- Students keep the same address year to year: 701 North C Street, Unit XXXX, Indianola, IA 50125.
- Packages are received from the Post Office, UPS, Federal Express, and several other carriers.

Meal Plans

- All residential students are required to have a meal plan. Students living in a residence hall can choose a 200 block, 150 block or the 19 meals a week plan. Only students living in apartments, theme houses, and commuters are allowed to choose the 100 meal block plan.
- If you need to change your meal plan, fill out the Meal Plan Change Request form on SC Connect, Mary Ripperger (mary.ripperger@simpson.edu), or fill out a slip in the Student Development office located on the 2nd floor of the Kent Campus Center.

You & Your Roommate

Learning to live with someone can be a challenge! You will want to create an atmosphere that permits studying, relaxation and sleeping to occur, privacy needs to be met and perhaps allow a deep friendship to develop. All of the above are more likely to happen if you and your roommate communicate openly and listen willingly. Start by becoming acquainted with each other's background, attitudes, habits and moods so you know what to expect from each other. Keep in mind that your roommate is not going to be a carbon copy of you. You both need to adjust, accommodate and compromise.

[Here](#) is a link to some questions to help get you started!

Move-In Day and Where to Unload

Students living in Kresge

- Go to the intersection of Girard Avenue and North C Street and turn south. Drive down the paved roundabout area directly between Kresge and Kent Campus Center.
- For the main move-in day, the Kresge check-in tent is located just off the roundabout near the west entrance of the building.
- Please do not pull trailers into the roundabout area. If you must bring a trailer, you can park along Girard near the Kent parking lot.

Students living in Barker

- Go to the intersection of Buxton Street and Girard Avenue, then drive south along Buxton until you reach the Barker parking lot. Follow directions provided by staff or signs regarding traffic flow through the lot.
- For the main move-in day, the Barker check-in tent is located near the east entrance of the building off of Buxton street.

Important Dates

For the academic calendar,
visit

[www.simpson.edu/academics/
academic-calendar/](http://www.simpson.edu/academics/academic-calendar/)

For the full housing
calendar, visit

[https://simpson.edu/internal/
residence-life/important-dates-
2022-2023](https://simpson.edu/internal/residence-life/important-dates-2022-2023)

Important Dates for Housing

August

- 26 First-Year and Transfer Move-In; 8:00 am to 1:00 pm
- 28 Returning student Move-In; 8:00 am to 1:00 pm
- 30 Classes begin

October

- 15 Homecoming/Family weekend
- 20-21 Fall break, no classes; all housing remains open. Limited or no dining available.

November

- 23-25 Thanksgiving break, no classes; all housing remains open. Limited or no dining available.

December

- 9 24-hour quiet hours begins at midnight and runs through finals week
- 16 Winter break begins; halls and Greek houses close at noon. Housing contracts end for students not returning for spring.

January

- 8 Halls and Greek houses open for spring semester at 9:00 am

March

- 11-19 Spring break, no classes; all housing remains open. Limited or no dining available.

April

- 21 24-hour quiet hours begins at midnight and runs through finals week.
- 28 Campus housing closes at noon for students not staying for a May term course, travel course, athletics, or commencement.

May

- 19 May term classes end; all housing closes at 6:00 pm—no exceptions granted.

