Freshie Journey: Packing List

An Expert Guide to Packing for Constructor University
What to Pack

Packing can seem like a hassle, especially having to pack for university. But never fear! Here is a list that our students put together to help you pack what you will need, and hopefully make your life a bit simpler. Keep in mind that this list may differ slightly for some students who are local to Germany or the EU.

Must haves:

- Passport(s)
- Insurance information (ex: travel insurance, confirmation from German insurance company, insurance card)
- Other forms of identification (ex: driver’s license, residence permit.)
- Emergency contact information
- Medical documents/ records
- Final school transcripts and high school diploma
- Banking information
- Copies of ALL aforementioned important documents (bring at least 2 copies of your passport)
- Cell phone and laptop with chargers (plug adapters for plug types C and F and voltage adapters if necessary)
- Some cash (Euros) for when you arrive or emergencies
What to Pack (cont’d.)

Items to bring with you:

• Everyday attire (jeans, t-shirts, shorts, shoes)
• Winter clothes like sweaters, hoodies, winter jackets, boots, scarves, sweatpants, cardigans, etc.
• Socks and underwear
• Some formal outfits (blazers, formal dresses)
• Some form of traditional attire or favorite outfits
• “Going-Out” / Party clothing
• Workout clothing
• Rain Jacket or umbrella and rain boots or waterproof shoes
• Your favorite books and/or eBooks
• Sentimental items that remind you of home whether you are 5 or 10,000km away.
What you get once you arrive in Bremen

While packing you will also probably be wondering what comes in every campus dorm, what you should get and where in Bremen you can find it. Here's a list of what comes with your on-campus housing:

What you get on arrival:

• Study table and chair
• Bed
• Wardrobe
• Shelves and storage space
• Fully-equipped bathroom with a sink, mirror, shower, and toilet
• Shared kitchen on each floor with a fridge, stove top, and oven (soon after your arrival you will be notified on how you can get access to use the kitchen)
• Shared laundry room with washing machines and dryers (available as soon as you pick up your room transponder and key. Accessible in the basement of each college block)
• Basement locker (extra storage space for items, such as empty suitcases, that you do not want to keep in your room and accessible in the basement of each college block)
What to Get in Bremen

Recommended dorm essentials to buy:

- Furniture & Others (sofa, small table, carpets, chairs, hangers, etc)
- Appliances (extension cords, LAN cable, **LAN cable adapter – very important!**) – no additional electric appliances are allowed in your room
- Kitchenware (pots, pans, cutlery, plates, cups)
- Bathroom & Bedding (Bathroom mats, bedding, towels, cleaning supplies, toiletries, laundry detergent and fabric softener)
- Decorations (entirely up to your preference, but some good ideas could include posters, plants, and many more)
- Office supplies (Pens, pencils, stationary, etc...)
Below is a list of stores and places in Bremen that you can visit when looking to purchase items for your room, including a brief description of the place, the location, items sold, and affordability from the perspective of a new university student.

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| Second-hand (student sales)                     | Many graduating students at the end of the semester will send out an email with affordable items that they’re looking to sell second-hand. I would recommend scouting this first before buying something new and expensive for your room (like a sofa). | Online, typically sent to your university email via Outlook | - Furniture  
- Appliances  
- Decorations  
- Many other useful things (Storage boxes, laundry baskets, etc.) | €             |
| Amazon/ eBay                                    | Reliable, fast delivery. You can pick up your package from the package center on campus, located behind the security office at the university’s main entrance                                                                 | Online                                                                                       | - Furniture  
- Appliances  
- Kitchenware  
- Decorations                                                                 | €€ - €€€      |
| IKEA                                            | New furniture is quite expensive, but otherwise they have affordable essential items such as kitchenware and decorations                                                                                       | Brinkum, Henleinstrasse 1a, 28816 Stuhr                                                      | - Furniture  
- Appliances  
- Kitchenware  
- Decorations                                                                 | €€ - €€€      |
| Saturn/ MediaMarkt                              | Both specialise in appliances and are relatively affordable                                                                                                                                                  | Saturn: Papenstraße 5, 28195 Bremen  
MediaM: AG-Weser-Straße 3, 28237 Bremen                                                      | - Appliances  
- Kitchenware  
- Appliances  
- Decorations                                                                 | €             |
| Müller/Kaufland/ most other chain grocery stores| Ther is a Müller and Kaufland located very close to campus, and a variety of other large grocery stores across Bremen. Quite affordable and very useful for picking up knicks-knacks, kitchenware, and basic appliances. | Zum Alten Speicher 1, 28759 Bremen                                                        | - Kitchenware  
- Appliances  
- Decorations                                                                 | € - €€        |

These are some of the most convenient places to get your dorm essentials from and are all accessible by bus or tram. We hope this brief guide has been helpful in planning what to bring to Bremen and what is worth getting here instead! We can’t wait to welcome you to Constructor University!
A view of the colleges
Roommates in the common area of their appartment
Krupp in Wintertime
Room in Nordmetal College
We look forward to seeing you!