



# STUDENT WELCOME GUIDE

## USCB HOUSING SPRING 2025



# Our Core Values

## **Community**

We are committed to providing a shared residential experience that fosters positive relationship building and embraces a spirit of collaboration and togetherness.

## **Sense of belonging**

Our commitment to inclusion will help our students feel a deeper sense of belonging and empower them to take an active part in their learning and to grow as individuals. It is our responsibility to provide a place where our students feel they are respected, valued, safe and treated fairly.

## **Engagement**

We support residential engagement by providing intentional experiences and by fostering an atmosphere that challenges residential students and staff to interact with each other in a purposeful way.

## **Accountability**

We, as a community, understand the importance of accepting responsibility. Therefore, students and staff are expected to do their part in respecting and holding themselves and others accountable for their actions.



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**Keep an eye out for Finnegan's Fin in the guide for tips from current Sand Sharks, our Resident Assistant Team & USCB Faculty & Staff!**

# Important Dates

## SPRING 2025

- December 17** Priority Payment Deadline
- January 7** All tuition & fees must be paid by **5:00 pm**.
- January 11** Noon: Residence Halls Open
- January 13** First Day of Class
- March 10 - 14** Spring Break, No Classes,  
Residence Halls remain open
- May 8** 10am: Residence Halls Close for Summer

USCB Offices will be closed  
December 24 - January 2 for Winter Break.

**USCB Housing Office will be open**  
Saturday, January 11th & Sunday January 12th  
noon - 5:00pm

**USCB Housing Office regular hours**  
**Monday - Friday**  
8:30 am - 5:00 pm



# Room Amenities

## INCLUDED IN ALL APARTMENTS:

- Wireless Internet (USCB Public)
- Utilities (Water, Electric, Internet)
- Blinds on all Windows
- Emergency Use Land-Line Phone
- Energy Efficient Stacked Washer & Dryer
- Furnished Living Room:
  - Couch, Upholstered Chair, End Tables, Entertainment Center
- Full Size Kitchen Appliances
  - Refrigerator, Oven, Stove, Microwave, Dishwasher
- Kitchen Stools or Dining Table with Stools

## DECORATING YOUR APARTMENT:

You, your roommates and guests are responsible for any damages to your bedroom and common areas of your apartment. You may decorate their room in a way that does not cause damage. Do not paint the room or decorate door frames, doors, floors, hallways or walls using stickers, tape or any other products that would cause marring, chipping, holes or other damage. Use of any adhesive or tape besides painters' tape could result in damage or excessive cleaning charges. The application of strip lights to residence hall facilities is prohibited.

Note that you can be held financially responsible for any damages or alterations made to your bedroom and apartment.



89% of residents don't use cable television

-2024 Quality of Life Survey

**Starting Fall 2024: cable television will no longer be offered on campus.**



## BEDROOM FURNITURE DIMENSIONS:

**Bed with Twin mattress**  
(Requires regular twin size sheets)  
32" under bed at highest level  
18" under lower bed at bunked level

**Dresser with 3 Drawers**  
34" W x 24" D x 30" H;  
Drawer 21.5" W x 17" D

### Desk & Desk Chair

Desk: 48" W x 24" D x 30" H;  
Drawer: 12" W x 15" D

### At least 1 window

26" W x 57.5" H

### Closet Area

No Doors, Includes closet rod and 1 shelf  
59" W x 27 3/4" D x 94.5" H

# Things to Bring

## Bedroom:

- Bedspread/Comforter
- Blankets
- Clothes Hangers
- Desk Lamp
- Iron & Ironing Board
- Laundry Basket
- Mattress Pad
- Mirror
- Pillow & Pillowcases
- Sheets (Twin Size)
- Wastebasket

## Bathroom:

- Bathmat
- Hand Soap
- Shower Curtain
- Shower Curtain Rings
- Toilet Paper
- Towels
- Trash Can

## Kitchen:

- Can Opener
- Cups, Mugs
- Cutting Board
- Oven Mitt
- Plates & Utensils
- Pots, Pans
- Cooking Utensils
- Towels
- Trash Can
- Water Bottle

## Electronics:

- Cell Phone & Charger
- Computer/Laptop
- Gaming Consoles
- Surge Protector or Power Strip
- Television

## Toiletries:

- Bath & Face Soap
- Deodorant
- Eyeglasses/Contacts
- First Aid Kit
- Hairbrush/Comb
- Haircare Products
- Nail Clippers
- Prescription Medication
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Shaving Supplies
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Washcloths

## School Supplies:

- Backpack
- Broom & Dust Pan
- Desk Organizer
- Notebooks/Folders
- Pens/Pencils/Highlighters
- Planner
- Scissors
- Sticky Notes
- Tape
- USB Flash Drive

## Cleaning Supplies:

- Bathroom Cleaner
- Broom & Dust Pan
- Dish Soap
- Dishwasher Detergent
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Dryer Sheets
- Laundry Detergent
- Paper Towels
- Shower Scrubber
- Toilet Brush
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Trash Bags
- Vacuum/Mop

## Other:

- Alarm Clock
- Batteries
- Fan
- Flashlight
- Important Documents (Social Security Card, Birth Certificate, or Passport - to have for employment)
- Mini Fridge (2.7 cubic ft limit)
- Rugs
- Storage Bins
- Tailgate Lawn Chair
- Umbrella/Rain Jacket



## MUST PACK ITEMS:

**Deodorant • Fans • Flash Drive For Saving Work • Headphones • Photos of family and friends or something that brings you joy • Scissors • Step Stool • Sunscreen • Throw blankets for Living Room • Toothbrush • Umbrella/Rain Jacket • Water Bottle**

**Don't forget to chat with your roommates about bringing shared items!**

# Things to Leave Home:

- Adhesive Strip Lights
- Air Conditioners
- Alcohol/Drug Paraphernalia: includes posters, signs, empty bottles, etc.
- Candles, Torches
- Ceiling Fans
- Darts or Dartboards
- Deep Fryers
- Dimmer Switches
- Electric Frying Pan
- Extension Cords
- Freezers
- Gas/Charcoal Grills
- Halogen Lamps
- Hanging Lights
- Hotplates
- Incense
- Lava Lamps
- Loft Kits
- Oversized Furniture
- Pets
- Space Heaters
- Toaster Ovens
- Wall Paint
- Wallpaper
- Waterbeds
- Weapons
- Weights
- Wireless Routers



AVOID  
BEING  
CHARGED:

## Most Common Residence Hall Damages:

- Nail Holes in Walls
- Repainting Apartment Walls
- Stains on Carpet/Flooring
- Excessive Cleaning

## Move Out Costs:

- Replace Bedroom Key: \$110
- Remove Trash Bag/Item: \$25 each
- Extra Housekeeping: \$25+
- Improper Check Out: \$150

# Mail & Packages

All residents can receive mail and parcels shipped via USPS, UPS, FedEx, DHL or Amazon. Make sure all mail is addressed properly with your full name. Students will receive an email and text notification when packages have arrived. Students will need to show their USCB ID card.

## BEAUFORT HONORS CAMPUS MAIL ROOM

### Mailing Address:

Resident's Name  
Resident's Room Assignment  
1100 Boundary Street  
Beaufort, SC 29902

### Mail Room Info:

1100 Boundary Street Lobby  
M - F, noon - 4:00pm

## BLUFFTON CAMPUS MAIL ROOM

### Mailing Address:

Resident's Name  
Resident's Room Assignment  
29 E. Campus Dr.  
Bluffton, SC 29909

### Mail Room Info:

Broad River Building  
M - F, 9:00am - 4:00pm

## CONTACT INFO

### Email:

[uscbmailroom@uscb.edu](mailto:uscbmailroom@uscb.edu)

### Phone Number:

(843) 208 - 8388



# Move In Prep:

## Packing Boxes & Car

- Label your boxes & any loose items like bedding with your name on it—if anything gets misplaced we'll know who it belongs to.
- Be smart about how you pack your car—what you put in first, may be what you take out last.
- Don't over pack a box, if you can't lift it, don't bring it. Carts will be available on move in day, but not elevators!

## Insurance

- All students are encouraged to purchase Renter's insurance. Check with your parents about adding your valuables on their Homeowner's policy or contact an insurance carrier about getting an individual policy.
- USCB partners with GradGuard for renter's insurance - learn more at [www.gradguard.com](http://www.gradguard.com).
- The University's insurance covers only those items belonging to the University.

## Trash

- From moving boxes to the packaging of new items, moving into your new room can generate a lot of waste. Please plan to flatten your corrugated cardboard boxes and take all trash to the dumpsters located in the parking lots.
- No trash or boxes will be allowed to remain in the breezeway at anytime.

## Review/Action Items

- Start checking your USCB email on a regular basis. Many offices and your faculty members will only communicate with you through email.
- Review the Housing Policies and Student Code of Conduct to stay up to date on your rights and responsibilities as a Sand Shark.
- Check the Housing Portal for updates on your room assignment or roommates. You'll also find roommate contact information on the Housing Portal.
- Make sure you have paid your bill or set up a payment plan!





# Move In Prep:

## To Get Checked In:

You'll need your USCB ID Card to get checked in & to access your apartment. Make sure to submit your picture or be prepared to have your picture taken.



To pick up your USCB ID, you will need to provide one of the following original government-issued documents:  
US Drivers License, Military ID, or Passport

You'll to have paid your USCB bill or set up a Payment Plan before move in:

- View your bill will be available on my.sc.edu.

## We'll provide you your bedroom key and directions to your building's unloading zone.

In the Unloading Zones, we'll have carts to get your items inside and staff pointing you to the right direction, please only stay parked for 30 minutes so other Sand Sharks and families can get moved in!

## Meet your Resident Assistant who will be around your building ready to help out!

They can help with questions you about your room, can show you how to enter a maintenance request and will let you know when and where your first hall meeting is!

## Complete your Room Inspection

Within 24 hours after checking in, you will be able to complete your room inspection on the Housing Portal. This is your chance to add any notes about the condition of your apartment (walls, furniture, appliances). Failure to complete a thorough inspection may result in charges at move out.

