I’ll Be There for You
Communication!

• Basis for any relationship.
• Keep it positive by talking to your roommate(s) before things get unbearable.
• If you feel like you need help starting the conversation, see your RA.
• Don’t forget to talk anything and everything, not just when there might be a problem—remember— they are your friends!
Keepin’ it Classy

- When a room smells more like a dumpster than a living area, it’s a bad sign.
- Try to avoid dirty clothes everywhere. Nothing is less exciting than stepping on dirty underwear.
- If you want to be messy, try to keep it on your side of the room.
- Devise a plan to switch trash duties, then stick to it.
- Don’t let one person get stuck with the dirty deed, whether it’s taking out the trash and recycling or vacuuming the room, etc.
True to You

• No one likes a faker- be honest about who you are
• Be yourself no matter what. It will make addressing the issues easier in the end.
• Learn to appreciate the differences in your personalities. Opposites attract, right?
• Every roommate has some awesome stuff, but remember to ask before touching.
• It’s important to actually abide by equitable division of goods if you’re splitting the expense.
R-E-S-P-E-C-T

• Need a roommate agreement? Work with your RA- already have one? Revisit it for 2^{nd} semester!
• Respect each other’s sleep schedules- if you wake up early- don’t slam drawers as you get ready, if you go to bed late- don’t throw the light on if your roommate is already sleeping
• Respect your roommates’ boundaries, both within the room and in lifestyle.