Roommate Tips

As mentioned before, once you’ve found your roommate/flatmate we highly encourage you to complete a written living agreement which clearly states expectations regarding the house including who is to be in charge of rent and utility payment.

Note making a room or roommate switch becomes a bit more complicated once you’ve signed a lease. Although it is possible to move typically this will come with a set of financial consequences. Therefore we want you to make your roommate experience work.

One key is open communication and respect for one another. If you’re not doing either you are bound to have issues, which will make your experience difficult. If you are in need of help contact OCSS to discuss our mediation and conflict resolution services.

Being a good roommate is pretty easy just follow the rules for being a good human being: BE: respectful, kind, generous, flexible, honest. Although this is great advice for interacting with others we also want you to follow this advice towards yourself. Know and respect your values and be honest with what bothers you and what does not. Be flexible and generous with yourself in tough situations and know you are doing your best.