Suitemate Contract

NB: The following contract is meant to supplement the Residence Community Living Standards and the Community Agreement as set by the suite, your RA and Student Housing Services. Please consult the student handbook while filling out this contract to ensure that you are not in violation of SHS policy.

**Please! I need quiet!**
What is our definition of noise? When is it okay to make appropriate levels of noise? Is silence important for sleep and/or study? When do we like to sleep?

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**This place looks (and smells) like a pigsty!**
How will we ensure that the common areas remain clean? Will we have a cleaning schedule? What is our definition of clean?

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**Safety First!**
How will we keep things safe in our suite? How will we ensure that the exterior doors always remain locked? Who will be responsible if something goes missing or something gets broken?

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**Sharing a bathroom...**
What are the bathroom ground rules? Do we leave stuff in there? Do we share shampoo or other toiletries? What times do we shower? Should we have co-ed bathrooms?

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**Kitchen Stuff!**
How will we keep dirty dishes from piling up? Do we have a schedule? Is it okay to borrow one another’s dishes/appliances? Is food something that should be shared or kept separate? How will we know who owns what food?

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**Approachability, what?**
- How will we approach one another if we have concerns or problems? How will you know when I am ready to talk or when is a good time for me to be able to listen? Can we call suite meetings if necessary?
What else do we need to cover?
  • Are there any other areas we need to work out? How are we going to handle a situation in which a housemate doesn’t follow through with this agreement? How are we going to make changes to this contract if need be?

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I have read, discussed, and agreed to abide by the standards set out in this community contract. I understand that it is important to invest the time and energy needed to resolve any issues that arise.

Date: _____________________

Signed:

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