

# SHARED SPACE CONNECTION [SUITEMATE - 2 PERSON]

Carleton Housing & Residence Life



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## Remember!

You do not have to be best friends with your suitemates, but you do have to:

- Respect each other
- Communicate honestly and effectively and in a timely fashion
- Seek assistance when needed to work through conflicts

Suite Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Names:

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## Discuss

- What was your living situation like before this?
- What are your priorities (school, socializing, physical activities)?
- What are your pet peeves?
- What are your personal habits (smoking, drinking, music, meditation, exercising, hobbies etc)
- Any medical information I should know about you? (Allergies, medical conditions, etc.)

Blank space for discussion notes.



***I believe that being a good suitemate means the following: (i.e. keeping a good sense of humour, being considerate of roommate's privacy, sharing space equally):***

Jot down your thoughts. Note your differences.

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***What do you need from your roommates to live in a productive and positive environment in your shared space?***

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**Activity:** Order the following topics from 1 to 7 (1 to 8 if you add an "other" category). Note the differences and similarities between you and your suitemates!

Topic	Ranking (1 most important to you, 7 least important to you)
Cleanliness	
Quiet	
Temperature of room	
Guests in room	
Sharing items (cleaning supplies, fridge, soap, etc.)	
Substance use (alcohol/cannabis/etc.)	
Sleep	
Other:	

**Coping with stress: Outline how you should approach each other if you have a concern come up in the future. How do you like to be communicated with? Do you tend to address issues directly, or avoid them?**

**Studying, Sleeping, and Quiet Time**

When is noise okay/not okay and how much? Remember everyone always has a **responsibility** of upholding **Reasonable Quiet** in residence: at any given time, it is expected that noise volume should be limited to a level in which it cannot be heard clearly outside of a residence room, pod, or suite.

**Cleanliness:** You have the responsibility in residence to maintain a clean and sanitary space, free from all pests and assist in the upkeep of your room.

Will you have a cleaning schedule? Who will be responsible for the following and when:

- Garbage/Recycling
- Vacuuming
- Kitchen: counters, sink, fridge, microwave, cupboards, dishes, etc.
- Bathroom: counters, toilet, shower, floor, garbage, etc.

**Sharing:** What are we okay to share? What are we **not** okay to share? (Ex: appliances, utensils, food, cleaning supplies, etc.)

**Guests & Visitors**

In according with the guest policy in the Residence Standards, discuss

- Are you comfortable with guests?
- When are guests allowed?

**\*\*Note: Guests privileges in response to COVID-19 have been restricted. Until otherwise directed by Housing and Residence Life Services, no overnight guests, and no off-campus guests, are permitted in Residence.**

**Agreement:** By signing this agreement, we as suitemates complete this exercise in good faith and fully intend to abide by all the terms we have made together.

**Room Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date (dd/mm/yyyy)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Signature** \_\_\_\_\_