OUTSIDE ENTRANCES

- ☐ Sidewalks in Good Repair
- ☐ Porch / Railing: Solid, Clean?
- ☐ Mailbox?
- ☐ Doorbell - working?
- ☐ Trash Receptacles - Clean, Well-Lit?
- ☐ Parking - Adequate? Autos/Bikes - Safe?

HALLWAYS & CLOSETS

- ☐ Floors Clean
- ☐ Walls Clean / No Holes?
- ☐ Clothes Bar - Tight? Solid?
- ☐ Stairways Clean / Damaged? Well-lit?
- ☐ Other?

LIVING ROOM

- ☐ Walls Clean / No holes
- ☐ Floor Clean / No scratches
- ☐ Furnished? If so, List Condition
- ☐ Outlets - working?
- ☐ Windows. Clean? Intact? Functioning?

DINING ROOM

- ☐ Walls Clean / No holes
- ☐ Floor / Carpet Clean
- ☐ Outlets - working?
- ☐ Windows. Clean? Intact? Functioning?

KITCHEN

- ☐ Walls Clean / No holes?
- ☐ Floor Clean? Damaged?
- ☐ Oven - Clean? Working? Interior / Overhead Light Working? Exhaust Fan Clean / Working?
- ☐ Sink Clean / Drains Free? Cabinet Dry Below? Water Pressure - Good?
- ☐ Disposal Operational?
- ☐ Refrigerator - Clean / Dry? Interior Lights Working? Tight Seal?
- ☐ Dishwasher - Clean / Dry? Working? Turn it on while you are there

BATHROOM

- ☐ Walls / Tile Clean / No damage
- ☐ Floor Clean? Solid?
- ☐ Toilet - Clean? Working?
- ☐ Sink Clean / Drains Free? Cabinet Dry Below? Water Pressure - Good?
- ☐ Shower Clean / Drains Free? Water Clean? Water Pressure - Good? Shower Curtain / Door Clean? Rod / Door - No Damage
- ☐ Towel Bars, Other Fixtures - All Secure?
- ☐ Outlets / Over head Lights Ceiling Fan - all Working?

BEDROOM(S)

- ☐ Walls Clean / No holes
- ☐ Floor / Carpet Clean
- ☐ Outlets - working?
- ☐ Windows. Clean? Intact? Functioning?
- ☐ Curtains / Blinds Clean? Damaged?
- ☐ Closet Doors Run on Tracks?

OTHER

- ☐ Electric or Gas? Average Bill for Unit
- ☐ Cable / Internet, Included?
- ☐ Garbage Service Included?
- ☐ Application Fees / Deposits How Much? Refundable? - Under what circumstances? - Bank or Agency holding deposit funds?
- ☐ Joint Lease? - or will each roommate sign their own lease?
- ☐ Pets - Are they allowed? Who wants them? Who will pay for them?

KEEPING IT REAL -

Living on campus truly offers you advantages that you won't find off campus. But if you decide that off campus is indeed where you belong, then arm yourself with information.

- **You are playing for keeps. Pay your bills on time.** You will be juggling multiple bills with different due dates. Don't be late. **Your credit and rental history will be affected later by your actions now.**
- **Be Respectful.** Just like on campus, you should respect your neighbors as well as the property that you are renting. **Treat your neighbors well & chances are they will treat you well.** Having said that, if you find you are having trouble with either your roommate(s) or your community, **use available resources to help you work through conflict.** (Local authorities, WOU Student Health & Counseling Center).
  Be Neat. Take out your trash & recycle. Park only in designated spaces - and see that your guests do as well. **Speaking of guests . . . You are now responsible for yours.**
- **The Company you Keep.** Your roommate(s) can make or literally BREAK you. **Figure this stuff out ahead of time:**
  Parties, Dirty Dishes, Bathrooms, Cleaning, Drug Use, Habits like Smoking, Pets, Food, Cooking and Guests for starters. **"NO Roommates for me!" you say. Great. Are you ready to eat all of your meals alone? Are you good at texting friends to make plans on Friday night?**

Can you AFFORD it?

RENTERS RESOURCES:

https://www.wou.edu/wp/mitu/

https://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/overview-landlord-tenant-laws-oregon.html

http://www.osbar.org/public/legalinfo/tenant.html

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