Sharing a room and living in a community are learned skills. There are benefits to developing good relations. The relationship skills you build now will serve you later in life. College students are mature and capable of handling the responsibilities of these opportunities: responsibilities including confronting someone who is violating your rights, being accountable for your responsibilities and behaviors, and recognizing your own behavior, and be aware the compromises necessary for living with other people. In order to do this, communication is a necessity!

Differences are normal and are opportunities for growth and learning about different people and their styles. Some roommates will become close friends---some may never be close, but will live together respectfully. Each roommate owes the other the courtesy of speaking to him/her first.

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please read and consider the following questions, then mark and select the option you prefer. Be prepared to discuss your preferences with your roommate(s) in order to reach mutual understanding for your Roommate Agreement, which you will complete together when you move in. **Select multiple options where applicable.**

1. I prefer to go to bed between the hours of __________ and __________.

2. I sleep best when the room is
   a. completely silent and dark
   b. cool
   c. warm
   d. It doesn’t matter – nothing bothers me when I’m asleep
   e. other (please specify) ____________________________

3. I prefer to wake up between the hours of __________ and __________.

4. The time of day I prefer to study is
   a. during the morning
   b. during the afternoon
   c. during the evening
   d. late at night

5. The atmosphere conducive for my studying is
   a. in complete silence
   b. with the stereo or TV on
   c. alone
   d. with others
   e. outside of the room

6. In regard to my personal property (i.e. food, electronic equipment), I prefer
   a. to share everything
   b. to allow my roommate(s) to use specified items without permission
   c. to allow my roommate(s) to use items only after asking for permission
   d. not to share any of it

7. If someone wants to borrow my property, I would prefer that my roommate(s)
   a. lend it to the person
   b. lend it to the person only if I previously granted permission to that specific person
   c. never lend out anything of mine

8. Regarding appearance of the room, I prefer that it be
   a. usually orderly and clean
   b. sometimes orderly and clean
   c. disorderly (i.e. no preference)
9. When cleaning the room (& bathroom, kitchen, living room where applicable), I feel that
a. my roommate(s) and I should take turns cleaning the entire room
b. my roommate(s) and I should each clean up our own mess
c. my roommate(s) and I should clean the room together

*** Note: Resident is allowed no more than three guests in his/her room at any given time (two in VA and Cuicacalli). Overnight guests must be housed only in the hosting student’s room. An overnight guest may not stay more than two nights per calendar month. ***

10. I would prefer that visitors, guests, and significant others
a. be welcome anytime
b. leave when I sleep or study
c. leave when I sleep or study, unless previously discussed on an individual basis
d. leave when I am in the room

11. I believe my roommate should inform me if he or she plan to have overnight guests or significant others staying in the room
a. one week in advance
b. 24 hours in advance
c. I don’t need notification

12. If my roommate(s) is frustrated or angry with me, I would want my roommate(s) to
a. tell me right away and talk about it with me
b. wait to see if the feeling subsides
c. talk to me about it later
d. tell our RA

13. When I am upset, I need
a. to talk about things
b. space and time to deal with it on my own
c. my own space unless the feelings are directed toward my roommate(s)

14. If I were going to be gone for a weekend or longer, I would
a. want my roommate(s) to know where I am
b. let my roommate(s) know when I would return
c. want my roommate(s) to know where I am and let my roommate(s) know when I would return
d. prefer not to let my roommate(s) know my whereabouts

15. When I receive mail, I would prefer that my roommate(s)
  a. leave it in the mailbox for me to pick up
  b. bring the mail to the room if my roommate(s) checks the box, first and leave it

16. For safety and security reasons, I would prefer that the room
a. be locked at all times
b. be locked when we are not in the room
c. be locked only when we are not in the room
d. be locked when I go to bed or am asleep

17. I would like to have private time in the room
a. during certain set hours to be arranged (specify)
b. to be determined on a situational basis

18. Is it acceptable for your roommate(s) to be intimate with his/her partner in the room when you aren’t present? Is it acceptable while you are in the room?
   a. yes
   b. no

*** Note: Alcohol is not permitted in the Residence Halls. No drugs, narcotics, controlled substances or drug paraphernalia may be possessed, used, sold nor distributed at the University or in the Residence Halls. ***

19. How would you feel if your roommate(s) used alcohol outside the room/suite?

20. How would you feel if drugs/alcohol were in the room/suite?