



New York State Summer Writers Institute Suggested Packing List 2026

Laptop or tablet (Wi-fi service is provided)

Notebook, journal or other writing materials

Water bottle

Umbrella/Rain Jacket

Sunscreen

Personal items and medications

PLEASE NOTE: [Student apartments](#) are furnished and have kitchens but will not have any other items stocked in the residences. It is important you plan to bring the items below and any other creature comforts you are able to pack.

Full-size bed sheets and towels for your stay on campus. A blanket and pillow will be provided. If you need to ship items in advance of your stay on campus, see below.

Laundry detergent (there are washers/dryers in the apartments)

Hangers

The [Skidmore Shop](#) (bookstore) on campus sells some of the items above (with the exception of linens). Target, Walmart and several grocery stores are a 10-minute drive from campus.

Please note: Items may be shipped to you on campus using the following postal address. Our campus Post Office is open Monday-Friday, 9 am–4 pm and mail cannot be retrieved on the weekend. Correspondence/packages may be sent to: Your name, c/o NYS Summer Writers Institute, Skidmore College, 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. The Post Office offers services from the United States Postal Service (USPS), United Parcel Service (UPS), Federal Express (FedEx), DHL and LaserShip and is located on the lower level of the [Case Student Center](#). Additionally, there is an Amazon Package Locker (Orli) located on campus, outdoors, on the South side of Case Center, near the postal loading dock. Students need the Amazon app to utilize the lockers.