GENERAL INFORMATION
College of Liberal Arts

1. **SEMINARIAN ROOM**: All seminarians will have a 9’ x 14’ room furnished with desk, chair, bookshelves; mini-blinds for the window and ample closet space. All furniture must remain in each room. Please do not remove furniture from other seminarians’ rooms or from any of the community lounges. Use of self-adhesive materials are forbidden as this pulls the paint off the walls when removed. Please bring Command Strips to hang up your wall hangings. There is a connecting half-bath to be shared with another seminarian next door. Showers are located at the end of each residential hall. Please bring shower shoes (flip flops) to use in the showers.

2. **SEMINARIAN ATTIRE**: The usual attire for daily activities consists of dress slacks, a shirt with a collar, comfortable dress shoes (black or brown) and dress socks. Sandals (not flip flops) are permitted for classes and the Dining Room provided that socks are worn. Please have a suit or sport coat and tie for special occasions and Sunday Mass. All seminarians will be given, or have purchased for them, a pontifical cassock in the fall semester. Pope Leo XIII granted this privilege since the Josephinum is a pontifical seminary. The pontifical cassock will be worn on some formal occasions as designated by the administration. Please bring athletic clothing and equipment for sports. Swimming, softball, tennis, basketball, handball/racquetball, soccer, and golf are all available on campus or within easy driving distance. There are washers and dryers available. Please bring your own laundry supplies and hangers.

3. **SEMINARIAN BEDDING**: Please bring all necessary bedding, except mattress cover. Suggested are pillow, blanket, two sets of sheets (twin bed size, extra long) and two pillowcases, bedspread, towels, washcloths and bathrobe.

4. **SEMINARIAN APPLIANCES**: Heat-producing appliances (irons, coffeepots, space heaters, etc.) are NOT ALLOWED as they can overload circuits easily. Electric alarm clocks, desk lamps, stereos, razors, and small refrigerators are permitted in each seminarian’s room. All electrical devices must be plugged directly into an outlet or a surge suppressor issued by the maintenance department. Televisions are not permitted in seminarians’ rooms. Because of the nature of the academic program, and to ensure an atmosphere conducive to study, rest, and reflection, seminarians are not permitted to watch movies or TV programs on personally owned TV’s, computers, or other electronic devices in their private rooms and are not permitted to play video games in their rooms on personally owned computers or other electronic devices. These policies are also meant to encourage the practice of common recreation times and fraternal occasions of relaxation. We suggest that you bring a fan: August and September in Central Ohio can be really warm. Only fish and plants are allowed in seminarians’ rooms. No other pets are allowed.

5. **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**: As a new seminarian attending the Pontifical College Josephinum, unless you are part of an order that restricts ownership, you will be required to bring with you a laptop computer.
This computer should have the following basic hardware and software configuration:

- RAM: minimum 6 GB
- Processor: minimum Intel Core 2 Duo Processor or 2.4 GHz, Intel Core i5 Processor
- Windows 7 or 10 operating system – PC
- Mac OS X 10.6 Snow Leopard – Apple
- MS Office 365 will be provided to seminarians if they choose.
- Wireless: Integrated 802 b, g, n wireless adapter
- Integrated Ethernet port

Seminarians **SHOULD NOT** bring wireless access points, routers, or gaming systems. You may bring a tablet or portable notepad computer. However, they may not be used as your primary PC as they will not meet the above requirements. All laptops, tablets and computers must be registered with the IT department before being connected to our network.

6. **OTHER SUGGESTED SEMINARIAN ITEMS:** We suggest that you bring your own Bible, a four volume breviary, (i.e. four volume of the Liturgy of the Hours) and personal prayer books. If you play a musical instrument, please feel free to bring this item with you.

7. **SEMINARIAN MEDICAL INFORMATION:** A coordinator of Health Services is available on campus Monday through Friday. Please refer to the coordinator of health services letter in this packet of information. **You must have medical insurance**, either by being included on your family’s policy or by taking out your own policy while you are away at college. **Bring your medical insurance information with you to indicate how you are covered.** The Josephinum has seminarian health insurance that you may purchase during orientation, if you wish. If you need more information, please phone Mr. John Erwin, Treasurer, at 614-985-2230.

8. **SEMINARIAN VEHICLE:** Seminarians may have a vehicle on campus, subject to norms set down in the seminarian handbook. You will need to provide proof of insurance, vehicle registration, and a valid driver’s license during orientation in order to get a campus parking sticker.

9. **VARIOUS SEMINARIAN INITIAL EXPENSES:**

   1. Tuition/room/board/computer/technology fees* (annually) ........................................... $31,942.00
   2. A one-time matriculation fee (new seminarians only) ........................................... $25.00
   3. Books (per semester) ................................................................. approximately $300.00
   4. Student Council fees (activities) ................................................................. $100.00
   5. Room deposit (refundable at the end of graduation if the seminarian leaves the room in good condition) ................................................................. $ 50.00
   7. Personal spending money.

   **Tuition/Room/Board Payment** is due at the beginning of the semester. Be sure you have applied for all possible form(s) of financial aid, and be sure you know what aid your diocese/community may make available to you. If you cannot meet the total obligation at the beginning of the semester, you should indicate in writing to the Treasurer how this charge is to be met. A **Penalty** of 1% per month may be assessed on any balance unpaid by the end of the semester.

10. **SEMINARIANS WITH MILITARY BACKGROUND:** Seminarians who have served in the MILITARY or who are eligible for funds through the VA or Social Security should see the Registrar within a few days after arriving on campus for all questions in these areas.