

AFFINITY COMMUNITY HOUSING APPLICATION FOR 2018-2019

The Affinity Community Housing (ACH) program promotes the infusion of intellectual life into the residential setting by providing opportunities for individuals to live among others who express similar interests. Thus, it brings the “life of the mind” into the residential spaces. Students choosing to be a member of an Affinity Community will have the opportunity to develop and maintain a community that emphasizes the integration of academic, leadership, and/or personal interests with a residential environment.

Affinity Communities are made up of 15 or 17 residents who:

- organize around a common shared intellectual or thematic interest
- practice self-governance (coordinated by a resident student Affinity Community Facilitator)
- manage their own, extensive programming budget
- maintain a relationship with a faculty mentor or mentors and Residential Life professionals
- develop their own practices and traditions and strive for community building
- set annual goals for programming and outreach consistent with the mission and purpose of the community

Application Deadline: Wednesday, March 1, 2018.

Return completed proposal to: Residential Life Office, 1st Floor Rich Hall, Box 146.

1. Please identify the goals and objectives of the ACH for the 2018-2019 academic year.
2. How will the Community achieve these goals/objectives?
3. How will living together in an Affinity Community benefit the residents as a community?
4. Self-governance is defined as, “under the control and direction of the inhabitants of a residential unit rather than by an outside authority”. Therefore, Affinity Communities assume responsibility for self-governance. Briefly describe how the ACH will create and maintain a respectful, intellectual and productive environment for its residents. What will the Community’s structure of self-governance be?
5. Briefly describe ideas for programming that the ACH will develop over the course of the academic year that benefit the floor, the campus, and the broader community. What do you hope the community will learn and gain from your programs?
6. How will the Community try to build community among residents?

- 7. What steps will be taken to ensure that the floor maintains capacity (15 or 17 residents) through the academic year?

- 8. Please provide a brief, signed statement written by the Faculty Mentor(s) for the proposed Community explaining the role the Faculty Mentor(s) will play in facilitating the programming and intellectual interests of ACH.

Faculty Mentor: _____
(print) (signature)

2nd Faculty Mentor (optional): _____
(print) (signature)

Please indicate the total size of the proposed ACH (15 or 17 residents) and provide a roster of students who will commit to participation in the proposed ACH if approved. Names of alternates may also be listed if available. Participants may not be on student conduct code or academic probation.

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ALTERNATES:

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Total ACH size (including Affinity Community Facilitator): **15 or 17**

Affinity Community Facilitator: _____
(Print) (Signature)