INFORMATION YOU’LL NEED TO COMPLETE THE ACTIVE CITIZEN APPLICATION

BASICS - Your name, room number, net ID, class year, who your GRF or SA is and the number of semesters you’ve lived in Becker House.

CORE HOUSE INITIATIVE - Each Active Citizen is required to register and participate fully in one of the core House initiatives (see below) for the next three semesters (Spring 2017, Fall 2017 and Spring 2018). You may choose the same initiative for multiple semesters or you may register for a different initiative each semester.

You will be expected to remain active in Becker House. In addition to the core House initiative, your involvement will include the ways you outline on your application, and organizing and hosting (or co-hosting) one floor social each semester. Also, the House leadership may consult you informally in order to gain additional perspectives on ideas, issues, and programs.

*Core House Initiatives include the following:

- Stand in Solidarity – an initiative that will challenge people to think critically about issues of diversity in an environment open to all perspectives. Meets roughly every other week.
- Cornell University Becker in Service (CUBS) – 1 credit course in Fall, 4 credit course in Spring (incl Spring Break trip to Jamaica)
- Becker House Café – 1 credit course, offered in the Fall and Spring.
- House Council – meets weekly, requirements will include leading programs and assisting others in running programs, offered in the Fall and Spring.
- Becker Resilience Initiative (BRI) – weekly meditation sessions, monthly programs related to building resilience, wellness and mental health. Offered in the Fall and Spring.
- Becker Ultimate Fitness (BUF) - wellness initiative intended to promote a healthy lifestyle, exercise classes, nutrition, etc.

FLOOR SOCIALS

Each Active Citizen is expected to (individually or with another Active Citizen) organize and lead at least one floor social on his/her floor each semester. The purpose of the floor social is to engage residents on the floor and assist in building a sense of community. The GRF/SA will work with the Active Citizens regarding budget, purchasing supplies, etc.

ESSAY QUESTIONS – no more than 2 brief paragraphs

1. In what ways have you been active in Becker House?
2. In addition to registering and participating fully in one of the core House initiatives and organizing a floor social each semester, as required, list what you will do to live up to your Active Citizen status.
3. Please include a clear jpg photo of yourself in a location in or around Becker House that is meaningful to you, and briefly explain why the location is meaningful to you.

ROOM ASSIGNMENT

If you are offered a position as an Active Citizen, you will be ASSIGNED a room in Becker for 2017-18. On your application, you may identify your room preference, but understand that Active Citizens will be evenly distributed throughout the House. You are NOT guaranteed to be assigned one of the rooms you list as a preference.

HOUSING PREFERENCE
You may list three preferred rooms/suites (you are NOT guaranteed to get one of the rooms you preference). Your second preference MUST be on a different floor than your first choice. Your third choice MUST be in a different WING of Becker House than one of your first two choices. (Rooms in the SOUTH wing of Becker end in “36” or lower (e.g., 136, 236, 336, etc.). Rooms in the NORTH wing end in “40” or above (e.g., 140, 240, 340, etc.).)

**Blocking**
You will need to know the first name, last name and net ID of each of your blockmates to complete the application.

You and up to four other current Becker House residents will be able to block a suite or adjacent rooms on a corridor.

**Blocking adjacent rooms on a corridor**
- Up to 5 students total may block adjacent rooms on a corridor.
- If 5 students block together on a corridor, they MUST fill at least one double room.
- Your block may include different genders.

**Blocking in a suite**
- If you are blocking in a suite, we STRONGLY encourage you to fill the suite. We will allow a LIMITED number of Active Citizens to block in a suite and NOT fill the entire suite. If you do not fill the suite and we have reached our limit, you will be assigned rooms on the corridor. If you fill the suite you have a significantly better chance of being assigned to a suite.
- Your block may include different genders.

If chosen as an Active Citizen, you will NOT be allowed to make changes to your block after your application is submitted. If selected as an Active Citizen, it will be on the condition that there will be no changes to your block.

If you have a 5 person block, you will need to indicate who in your block will be living in the double room.

**Notes:**
- If you have a 5-person block and are assigned a suite, and one of your blockmates changes his/her mind and doesn’t sign the housing contract, we reserve the right to re-assign your entire block to corridor rooms.
- If you are assigned to one of the limited number of suites in which you do NOT have to fill the whole suite, we intend to assign new, incoming transfer students to live in the remaining rooms in the suite.

**You can NOT change your block after submitting your application.**

**Notes** - If selected as an Active Citizen you will be assigned a room in Becker House for 2017-18.