INFORMATION YOU’LL NEED TO COMPLETE THE ACTIVE CITIZEN APPLICATION

BASICS - Your name, room number, net ID, class year, and the number of semesters you’ve lived in Becker House.

HOUSE INITIATIVE You have to register and participate fully in one of the House initiatives listed below for the next two semesters (Spring 2020, Fall 2020). You may choose the same initiative for both semesters or you may register for different initiatives. NOTE: House Initiatives offerings may change. If your choice isn’t available in a given semester, you will be expected to participate in another House initiative that semester. We hope to offer the following House Initiatives:

- **Cornell University Becker in Service (CUBS) – Volunteer for Service Projects.** Requirements include leading and participating in various service projects at Becker, Cornell or in the local community. Can be taken as a one credit p/f course.
- **Becker House Café – Conversations over Coffee and Cookies.** Requirements include attending and participating in a weekly discussion with visiting speakers every Wednesday following House Dinner. Can be taken as a one credit p/f course.
- **Becker House Council – Help Govern Your Home Away from Home.** Meets weekly and is led by an executive board. Requirements include planning, participating and implementing community programs and facilitating resident participation in governing Becker.
- **Other Weekly House Initiative TBD**

ORGANIZE AND LEAD A FLOOR SOCIAL You must organize and lead at least one social activity that will help build community on your floor each semester (individually or with another active citizen). Your floor GRF/SA will work with you on budget and logistics.

PHOTO A clear jpg photo of yourself (showing your face so we can recognize you) at Becker House that is meaningful to you (100mg max). If other people are in the photo be sure to identify who you are in the photo.

ESSAY QUESTIONS

250 word maximum answers to the following questions:

1. In what ways have you been active in Becker House?
2. Why is being an active citizen at Becker House important to you?
3. What do you plan to do to live up to your Active Citizen status?

ROOM ASSIGNMENT

If you are offered a position as an Active Citizen, you will be ASSIGNED a room in Becker for 2020-21. 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 and up to four other current Becker House residents will be able to block adjacent rooms on a corridor or a suite.

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.
- **You may NOT change your block after your application is submitted.**

**BLOCKING 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.
- You MUST identify who is in your block when you apply to be an Active Citizen.
- **You may NOT change your block after your application is submitted.**

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. As Active Citizens, we expect you to welcome and help these transfer students acclimate to Cornell.
- If selected as an Active Citizen you will be *assigned* a room in Becker House for 2020-21.

**You CAN’T change your block after submitting your application.**