

# LGBTQIA+ Program Housing Contract

**2023 - 2024**

## **What to Expect**

The LGBTQIA+ Housing Community is designed to benefit both students that identify as LGBTQIA+ and allies that wish to support these students. This Housing community provides a safe housing option as well as an opportunity to meet, learn from, and befriend others in the community. The residential experience emphasizes the importance of diversity, safety and education for LGBTQIA+ topics in society and will team with both faculty and staff to create programming that supports this.

## **Who will live in the LGBTQIA+ Housing Community?**

Students who want to live in a dynamic, fun and vibrant space with peers from all over campus that identify as or support the LGBTQIA+ community.

## **Programs and experiences to expect**

- ❖ Passive programming will be used to educate, inform and encourage our students to engage in our community.
- ❖ Educational Programming will be used to advance students' cultural competence through a variety of methods. Exposing them to faculty members outside of the classroom and staff from many parts of campus as well as peer to peer educational efforts which will help create a well-rounded view of the LGBTQIA+ community both on campus and around the world.

## **Examples of LGBTQIA+ Educational Programming include:**

- ❖ Faculty, discussions, and presentations
- ❖ LGBTQIA+ film series
- ❖ Trips to the Flynn and more
- ❖ Peer to Peer communication and experience exchange activities
- ❖ Cooking classes, sharing food and stories
- ❖ Skill sharing activities
- ❖ Anonymous Q+A Sessions
- ❖ Sexual education discussions and presentations
- ❖ Trips to the Pride Center including walking in the Burlington Pride Parade
- ❖ Collaboration with the CWG, DEC, DC, SDAA, and Common Ground to showcase the intersectionality of the LGBTQIA+ experience
- ❖ A conversation with crisis hotline members

Social Programming will provide opportunities for students to grow and learn from each other and develop an inclusive healthy community.

**Examples of social programming include:**

- ❖ Holiday celebrations from different cultures, food, music, and sharing
- ❖ Movie/TV show nights
- ❖ Relaxation activities/ study break sessions
- ❖ Game nights and game tournament
- ❖ Drag Nights
- ❖ Other Community Enrichment
- ❖ Peer-to-peer informal discussions and exchanges

**Expectations**

- ❖ Each student recognizes that they are a valuable resource for the LGBTQIA+ Housing community and they will donate their time and talents by participating in community programs
- ❖ Each student holds the responsibility of treating others in their community with respect, compassion and kindness. Furthermore, if conflicts arise each student understands that they can reach out to a member of the Residence Life staff for assistance.
- ❖ Each student is responsible for their guests. they will ensure that they abide by the LGBTQIA+ Housing Living Contract and the student code of conduct, as well as understanding that they will be held accountable for guests' actions.
- ❖ Each student understands that floor / hall meetings and floor / hall programs are important to successful community interaction and development, and they agree to be a regular part of this community.
- ❖ Each student understands that additional terms of agreement may be determined by each individual community as the need arises.

I accept the responsibility of these terms and will uphold these standards while a resident in the LGBTQIA+ Housing Program. Not to do so would be a violation of this contract and may result in my removal from the LGBTQIA+ Housing Program.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to live by the terms above.

*(Signature)*

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Pronouns:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Room Assignment:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_