

Gender-Inclusive Housing Application

2020 -21Academic Year

Due to the Housing Office (SLTC 208)
on March 1, 2020

At Hendrix College, we strive to create a welcoming, inclusive, and safe residential experience. Offering gender-inclusive housing both accommodates and respects the complexities of gender identity.

Knowing that traditional, same-sex housing assignments are not always comfortable and/or appropriate for all students, gender-inclusive housing strives to create a welcoming space for all students and decisively demonstrates our college's commitment to diversity and inclusion.

Gender-Inclusive Housing is available to residents who are interested in rooming with another student regardless of their legal sex, gender, or gender identity. This housing option may be desirable to students who:

- Are in the process of discovering their gender identity
- May feel more comfortable living with someone of a different gender
- Choose not to be classified based on gender
- Identify with and/or ally for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ+) community
- Wish to participate in gender inclusive housing for other personal reasons

Gender-inclusive housing is not intended for romantic couples. We respect the privacy of our students, so current procedures do not require students to disclose their reason for roommate requests. However, please note that the Department of Residence Life strongly encourages students to reconsider living with a person with whom they are romantically involved, regardless of whether it is a same-gender or different-gender relationship.

First Name: _____ M.I. _____ Last Name: _____

Student ID: _____ DOB: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Entered Hendrix: _____
Month / Year

Email: _____@hendrix.edu Classification **Fall 2020:** Sr Jr So Fr

Accepted juniors and seniors will be placed at Huntington or they may select another option at their time Room Selection time. If you choose to go through Room Selection, and different apartment, Huntington or Miller Quad doubles are no longer available, then you will no longer have GIH status in the living space that you choose.

Accepted freshmen and sophomores will be placed into Miller Quad doubles ONLY or they may select an apartment at their time Room Selection time. If you choose to go through Room Selection, and an apartment or Miller Quad doubles are no longer available, then you will no longer have GIH status in the living space that you choose.

Ideally, students will sign up for GIH with a roommate in mind. However, if you do not have a roommate in mind, but would like to live in a GIH space, Residence Life will work to match you with an ideal roommate that is also selected to live in a GIH space. Students who elect this option must be open to living with a person of any gender. Keep in mind that there may not be another student to which you could be matched. It would be better to have a named and reciprocating roommate.

Do you have a roommate in mind? Yes. Please fill out the section below.
 No. I would like to be matched with a person approved for GIH.

Who would you like to room with?

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

(Requested roommate(s) must also complete a Gender-Inclusive Housing Application and name you as their roommate.)

Why are you interested in the gender-inclusive housing option?

What makes you a strong candidate for the GIH option?

Describe your understanding and/or comfort level exploring issues of gender and sexual orientation (examples include those related to academics, personal experiences, and/or community experiences).

How would you describe your ideal roommate?

The following questions will help us to gather overall data in hopes that it will support the GIH initiative. This information will be treated as confidential and will be kept only in Residence Life for a limited time. If you are uncomfortable answering the following questions, they are not required.

What is **your** gender identity? Male Female Transgender Non-binary
 Genderqueer/Gender Non-Conforming/Agender Other_____

What is **your** biological sex (sex assigned at birth)? Male Female Intersex

You prefer that your **roommate(s)** gender identity is: Male Female Transgender Non-binary
 Genderqueer/Gender Non-Conforming/Agender No Preference

You prefer that your **roommate(s)** biological sex is: Male Female Intersex No preference

Thank you for applying for Gender-Inclusive Housing!

We will announce the residents via email on March 15, 2020

Gender-Inclusive Housing Agreement

GIH Community Contract Terms

As part of Gender Inclusive Housing, I agree:

- ♦ To abide by all housing regulations as outlined in the Student Handbook.
- ♦ To remain in my GIH assignment for the entire academic year.
- ♦ To respect the purpose of Gender Inclusive Housing.
- ♦ To contribute positively to the community by offering support and encouragement for the living environment.
- ♦ To respect other GIH members' different motivations for choosing this living option.
- ♦ To use inclusive and socially just language within and outside the living space.
- ♦ To embrace and learn from experiences different from my own.

Community Expectations

The success of the GIH community and the fulfillment of its mission are dependent upon full participation of all members. Residence Life will ask students who violate these agreements to meet with their Area Coordinator to evaluate the student's impact on the GIH community.

I have read the above and understand my responsibilities as a member of the GIH community. I understand that noncompliance with this agreement may result in my relocation to another space on campus.

Printed Name

Signature

Date