Gender Flexible Housing Agreement

Overview
Students desiring to live in a suite or apartment in which three or four upper-class students live together regardless of sex, gender identity, or gender expression may apply for the GFH Option by February 15, 2019. As a reminder, the annual housing deposit deadline is March 4, 2019.

GFH applies to whole suites or apartments. The GFH option is available to students through a preassigned housing process. The residence hall/apartment options available for GFH will generally match the housing students would most likely receive during the general housing selection process based on social year; as such the same group priority that is used for room selection will apply.

GFH is completely optional, and no student will be assigned to GFH unless they request it. GFH is intended to foster a more inclusive residential experience for friends to live together regardless of their gender. GFH is highly discouraged for romantic couples.

As with all housing options, Gender Flexible Housing is not guaranteed.

Eligibility
- All room/suite/apartment mates must be at least 18 years of age at the time of the request.
- All apartment mates must be upper-class students (juniors or seniors) and be eligible for campus housing; all upper-class students who meet the age criterion are eligible for GFH suites.
- All GFH applicants must be eligible for the Room Selection Process, which includes having paid the housing deposit or waiver accepted by the specified deadline date.

Flexible Housing Procedures
- Groups must have the correct number of eligible students for a suite or apartment (i.e. fill all the beds within the assigned suite or apartment), if applicable.
- Each student in the group will be required to sign the Gender Flexible Housing Agreement as an addendum to their current housing contract.
- If a vacancy occurs within a GFH suite, students will have a specified period of time (48 hours) to select a new room/suite/apartment mate, when able as the University reserves the right to make and change assignments of any student should a need arise to do so as outlined in the Housing Contract. Requests for a new room/suite/apartment mate must be made by contacting the Office of Residence Life and Undergraduate Student Housing. The requested student will be contacted to confirm that they would like to be reassigned and to confirm moving dates. If no one is selected, the University reserves the right to fill the vacancy with a student of the same gender or another students who has indicated an interest in or openness to GFH. Split semester roommates will not be permitted (i.e. study abroad, re-admits).
- It is the student’s choice to tell their parents or guardians about a decision to live in GFH. Housing and Residence Life encourages students to have this conversation with their parents or guardians before committing to GFH since re-assignment may be difficult after Flexible Housing is selected.