

## Academic Year 2021 - 2022

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### Step 1: Access HMS & Application

- Begin at the HMS home screen and scroll down to the Academic Year. Select the Special Interest Housing Application.

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## Special Interest Housing Application

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### Step 2: Review Information

- Review the information and select I Agree to continue.

## Special Interest Housing Application

Welcome to the Special Interest Housing Application. This application will allow students to indicate their preference for any of the special interest options available in the Residence Halls.

**Please know that to be eligible to select a room as part of Special Interest Housing Selection, students must complete both this application and the On-Campus Housing application.**

Students wishing to select a double as part of Special Interest Housing Selection must complete 3 things:

- Indicate their roommate preference on the On-Campus Housing application
- Have their roommate indicate them as their roommate preference on their On-Campus Housing application
- Make sure their roommate completes the Special Interest Housing application and selects the same housing options.

Please click "I agree" below to proceed.

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### Step 2: Review Options

- Review your housing options and make choices. Select Next to continue.

#### Options

Listed below are the various Special Interest Housing options available to students. Each option is accompanied by a brief description of that option. Please read through this list and select all options you are interested in by selecting "Yes" from the respective drop down menu.

##### Honor's Forum

This housing option is only available to students in the Periclean Honors Forum. Students wishing to apply for this community should ensure that they are eligible by reaching out to Lisa Bradshaw.

Honors Forum housing will be located on the sixth floor of Jonsson Tower.

*Students who are not eligible will have their application for this community removed, and will not be able to select housing on the Honor's Forum floor.*

\* Are you interested in, and eligible for, the Honor's Forum floor?

##### Gender Inclusive Housing

It is the policy of Skidmore College to assign housing to students in the majority of our residence halls based on their legal sex (male or female). Floors are coed (except for 1 floor where only females are housed) with suites made up of, on average, seven students of the same legal sex who share a common bathroom amongst them.

In order to provide housing where neither legal sex nor gender is the basis for housing assignments, a Gender Inclusive Housing Option has been provided. Spaces falling under Gender Inclusive Housing are open to students without regard to legal sex and/or gender. Students in Gender Inclusive housing may share a suite or room with someone of a different gender identity.

Gender Inclusive Housing is available annually on the 3rd floor of Wiecking Hall and will be available on the 9th floor of Jonsson Tower.

\* Are you interested in living in Gender Inclusive Housing?

##### Global Community

The Global Community was created to foster a living environment for students who have the desire to develop a greater international awareness.

For the 2021-2022 academic year the Global Community will be located on the 11th floor of Jonsson Tower.

*Students applying to live within this community will be required to sign a supplemental agreement agreeing to the conditions of living in this community. This agreement will be made available to applicants at a later date.*

**\* Are you interested in living in the Global Community?**

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### Multicultural Community

The Multicultural Community is focused on creating an environment to encourage learning about, and celebration of, the various cultural backgrounds of students within this community and Skidmore College at large.

The Multicultural Community will be located on the 10th floor of Jonsson Tower.

*Students applying to live within this community will be required to sign a supplemental agreement agreeing to the conditions of living in this community. This agreement will be made available to applicants at a later date.*

**\* Are you interested in living in the Multicultural Community?**

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### PRISM Community

*Peers Representing Intersectional Identities and Sexuality Meaningfully.*

The PRISM community strives to celebrate the lives and experiences of students who identify within the LGBTQ+ community. We strive to acknowledge intersectionality of identity and create a space where LGBTQ+ individuals can feel valued, safe, and in community with one another through intentional programmatic efforts. Through discussion of LGBTQ+ history, activism, and current events, residents of this community can grow in their knowledge of and participation in the LGBTQ+ community at large.

The PRISM Community will be a gender inclusive housing option, as well as an intentional community with targeted programmatic efforts. Bathroom and Room spaces in this community will not be gendered, nor will students' roommate selection be limited by their legal sex.

While the Gender Inclusive housing option complements the PRISM Community, it is separate in that it is only a housing option, while this will include many additional opportunities.

For the 2021-2022 academic year, PRISM will be located on the 8th floor of Jonsson Tower.

**\* Are you interested in living in the PRISM Community?**

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### Quiet Floor

The Quiet Floor is a housing option provided to students who would prefer a quieter living environment than may otherwise be found in the Residence Halls. This floor observes 24 hour quiet hours for the entirety of the academic year.

Students living in this option agree to respect the 24 hour quiet hours during their stay on the floor. Students found to be violating quiet hours may be moved by the Office of Residential Life to other areas on campus.

The Quiet Floor is located on the 5th floor of Jonsson Tower.

*Students applying to live within this community will be required to sign a supplemental agreement agreeing to the conditions of living in this community. This agreement will be made available to applicants at a later date.*

**\* Are you interested in living on the Quiet Floor?**

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### Substance Free Community

The purpose of the Substance Free Community is to support all students in their decision to not allow alcohol or other drugs to negatively affect the community in which they live. Further, the Substance Free Community exists in order to provide students with a comfortable, safe, living environment free from the pressures associated with alcohol and other drugs. This community is closely-knit as students share this common bond. Students who are in substance abuse recovery programs are encouraged to apply.

The Substance Free community will encompass the entirety of Howe and Rounds Halls.

Students living within this community agree to three conditions:

- Not to physically bring drugs and/or alcohol into this community
- Not to enter this community under the influence of drugs and or alcohol
- Not bring guests into this area who are under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol

If a student who lives in this community is found responsible for a violation of any of these conditions, they may be removed from the community.

Repeated violations of the College's Alcohol and Other Drug Policy outside of the Substance Free Community may also impact a student's eligibility to remain in Substance Free housing

*Students applying to live within this community will be required to sign a supplemental agreement agreeing to the conditions of living in this community. This agreement will be made available to applicants at a later date.*

**\* Are you interested in living on the Substance Free floor?**

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### Substance Free - Gender Inclusive Community

This community is new as of the 2019 - 2020 Academic Year, and is a direct result of student interest. The purpose of this community is to open a space that combines the goals of Gender Inclusive housing and the Substance Free Community. Students living in this space will need to follow all of the expectations of both the Substance Free, and Gender Inclusive, communities.

The Substance Free - Gender Inclusive community will be located in Howe Hall. The number of suites available will be determined based on student interest.

Students living within this community agree to three conditions:

- Not to physically bring drugs and/or alcohol into this community
- Not to bring the effects of drugs and/or alcohol into this community (including, but not limited to: vomiting, violence, noise, odor, and being under the influence of any substance)
- Not to bring guests into this area who are under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol
- Students will share a suite bathroom without regard for the sex or gender of other occupants

If a student who lives in this community is found responsible for a violation of any of these conditions, they may be removed from the community.

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**\* Are you interested in living in the Substance Free - Gender Inclusive Community?**

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### Substance Free - Quiet Community

The Substance Free - Quiet Floor is a combination of both the Quiet and Substance Free communities. This community is located on the 3rd floor of Howe Hall within the Substance Free community. It observes the values and conditions of both the separate communities. As such residents are expected to live substance free life style and refrain from bringing the effects of alcohol and drugs into the community while also observing 24 hour quiet hours.

If a student who lives in this community is found responsible for a violation of any of these conditions, they may be removed from the community.

Repeated violations of the College's Alcohol and Other Drug Policy outside of the Substance Free Community may also impact a student's eligibility to remain in Substance Free housing

*Students applying to live within this community will be required to sign a supplemental agreement agreeing to the conditions of living in this community. This agreement will be made available to applicants at a later date.*

**\* Are you interested in living on the Substance Free-Quiet Floor?**



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### Women's Floors

*\*Female students who wish to live separate from male students for cultural, religious and other personal reasons have found the women's floor to be a beneficial option.*

Keeping with our historical roots as a women's college, Skidmore College currently offers one Women's floor within our residence halls. This floor provides our female students with an opportunity to live in a community consisting exclusively of other women.

The Women's Floor will be located on the 7th floor of Jonsson Tower.

The women's floor is open to all students who identify as female.

*(Due to limitations of College systems, students who identify as female but are on record with the College as being legally male will need to contact the Office of Residential Life directly for inclusion in this community)*

**\* Are you interested in living on the Women's floor?**

### Step 3: Answer Supplemental Questions

- Answer the supplemental questions for the communities you selected.

#### Supplemental Questions

In order to ensure communities of students dedicated to the core values of those communities, several of our Special Interest Housing options require applicants to answer supplemental questions. Communities requiring the answering of supplemental questions include the Global community, Multicultural community, PRISM, Quiet and the Substance Free communities (Sub free-Quiet included). Responses to these questions will be reviewed by Residential Life staff, and students will be notified if they are not eligible to live in that community.

If you indicated interest in one of the housing options requiring the answering of supplemental questions, you will find the required questions below. Be sure to answer all required questions. Failure to do so may result in you being blocked from that community.

If you did not indicate interest in one of these housing options no questions will appear below. You may simply click "Next" to proceed.

#### Multicultural Community - Supplemental Questions

Below are supplemental questions for the Multicultural Community. If you indicated interest in the Multicultural Community you must answer these questions. Space in this community is limited so please answer these questions honestly and to the best of your ability.

Special Interest Housing communities serve the purpose of creating a special and unique housing experience for students with a shared interest or identity. These communities have stronger engagement and participation in community events than your traditional floor. Students report having a higher sense of belonging in these communities.

\* How would living in the Multicultural Community enhance your experience at Skidmore College?

\* How will you prioritize your commitment to the community and actively participate in community events?

\* The Office of Residential Life offers specific programming for each community. What kind of programming or events would you like to see in the Multicultural community?



### Substance Free - Supplemental Questions

Below are two supplemental questions for the Substance Free Community. If you indicated interest in Substance Free you must answer these questions. Space in these communities is limited so please answer these questions honestly and to the best of your ability. Special Interest Housing communities serve the purpose of creating a special and unique housing experience for students with a shared interest or identity. These communities have stronger engagement and participation in community events than your traditional floor. Students report having a higher sense of belonging in these communities.

\* How would living in the Substance Free community enhance your experience at Skidmore College?

\* How will you prioritize your commitment to the community and actively participate in community events?

\* I understand that Substance Free refers not just to alcohol, but to all illicit and/or potentially dangerous substances (including, but not limited to, alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, LSD, etc.)

\* I understand that by choosing to live in Substance Free, I agree not to keep alcohol, other drugs, or paraphernalia (bottles, shot glasses, grinders etc.) in the building,

\* I understand that I, and my guests, will not bring the effects of substance use (vomiting, violence, noise, etc.) into the community. I understand that doing so will result in my removal from the community.

\* I understand that if I choose to engage in the use of substances, inside or outside of the community, my actions may result in my removal from Substance Free housing.

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### Application Submission

#### Step 4: Application Submission

- Submit your application by selecting I Agree.

Thank you for applying to live in Special Interest Housing.

To submit your application please click "I Agree" below. You will be able to edit this application up until the due date if you wish to do so.

### Application Complete

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#### Step 5: Application Completed

- Your application is now complete

- Return to the home screen by clicking your underlined name

### Application Completed

Thank you for completing the Special Interest Housing application for the 2021-2022 academic year. Your preferences have been recorded.

You will receive an email with your selection time at a later date. Special Interest Housing Selection will occur on June 21st and 22nd.

If you have any questions contact the Office of Residential Life at [reslife@skidmore.edu](mailto:reslife@skidmore.edu).