## University of Illinois Springfield Department of Residence Life Gender Inclusive Housing Policy & Agreement

As a student selecting to live in Gender Inclusive Housing (GIH), I agree to follow the terms and conditions that are listed below. Please initial next to each numbered item, and sign and date the form on the second page. **Note:** Each student who is requesting to share a living space must sign a GIH agreement and the roommate matching must be a mutual request.

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that Gender Inclusive Housing (GIH) is an opportunity for University of Illinois Springfield (UIS) students with different gender identities to become roommates.
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ The University of Illinois Springfield has established standards of conduct to which all students are held accountable, including conduct standards relating to abusive, threatening, intimidating, or harassing actions (including but not limited to, those based on race, religion, gender identity, or gender expression) and sexual misconduct. Resources are available to all students in the event that a person believes that aspects of their living situation constitute a violation of these standards of conduct. If you would like to discuss a situation, please conduct your Resident Director (RD).
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I am opting-in to live in GIH, but am able to opt-out at any time of the year by visiting the Department of Residence Life Office in the Homer Butler Commons (HCOM). Room reassignment will be based on space availability.
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ The Department of Residence Life reserves the right to consolidate spaces as needed.
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that a wide variety of GIH options will be available to students wishing to live in a gender inclusive environment; however, assignment will be based upon availability of housing and ability to meet the student(s) request.
- 6. \_\_\_\_\_ Roommate request must be mutual and submitted by the deadline outlined in the housing application/contract. I understand that GIH is not intended for romantic partners.
- 7. \_\_\_\_\_ If a roommate in a gender inclusive space withdraws from the university, moves to another space on campus, or cancels their housing contract, I understand it is the responsibility of those remaining in the room/suite/house to find another student to fill the vacancy and agree to the GIH policy and agreement. The time frame allocated to find a new roommate will vary depending on the time of year. If a student is unable to be identified, the Department of Residence Life reserves the right to reassign students in the space and/or turn the space into a single-gender space.
- 8. \_\_\_\_\_ I will communicate with my roommates any plans to move from GIH and I will immediately notify the Department of Residence Life to allow for open communication about the future status of the GIH space.
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that room changes/reassignments and roommate selection are subject to approval by the Department of Residence Life.

- 10. \_\_\_\_\_ It is the student's choice to communicate with parents or family members about the decision to live in a gender inclusive housing option. The Department of Residence Life encourages this conversation between parents or family members and students about the housing choice so that they can be supportive of the student's decision. Ultimately, the decision lies with the student.
- 11. \_\_\_\_\_ I understand that if I exhibit behavior that is contrary to the spirit of this agreement, I may be relocated to a different housing assignment on campus.
- 12. \_\_\_\_\_ I have submitted a written request to The Department of Residence Life (reslife@uis.edu). Your request should include a statement of interest, your rationale as to how this living arrangement will support your individual academic success, and contribute to your overall personal growth and development. Requests submitted will receive consideration for assignment based on availability.

## Please print, sign, and date below indicating your understanding and agreement of the aforementioned terms and conditions.

Student Name (Printed):	
Student Name (Signature):	
University ID <u>:</u>	Date:

## **Roommate Request:**

Last Name	First Name	University ID

Department of Residence Life Processing:

Received

Confirmation Email Sent

U Verified

Room Assignment Email Sent