Honor Commission Application

Please turn in your application to the Office of Academic Advising (CUB 280) or via email to Julia Clevinger ’21 (clevju01@gettysburg.edu) and/or Bailey Heath ’19 (heatja02@gettysburg.edu), Honor Commission Co-Chairs.

What am I signing up for?

• Responsibilities for Honor Commission Members According to Honor Code Section 2.12:

Coordinating with faculty and other relevant entities in the College regarding their efforts to support the College’s principles regarding academic integrity; assisting in the orientation of new students and faculty; participating in Preliminary Conferences and convening Hearing Boards as needed; maintaining records; and reporting each semester to the College community about activities in support of these principles and practices and about the outcomes of Preliminary Conferences, Hearing Boards, and Appeal Boards.

• Time Commitment:

Honor Commission members are expected to attend one-hour meetings every two weeks, serve on approximately two to four Hearing Boards per semester (Hearing Board numbers vary by semester) which usually last between three and six hours, and contribute two to four hours throughout the semester to other Honor Commission events. Honor Commission members are permitted three excused absences per semester for meetings, excepting circumstances outside of members’ control (i.e., class/lab, athletic events, etc.) which do not count towards the three excused absences.

Directions:

• To apply for the Honor Commission, please fill out the attached application. Please limit your responses to no more than 200 words per response.

• Additionally, please include a letter from a faculty member recommending you to join the Honor Commission (if you are a first-year, you may ask a high school teacher to write this recommendation for you). This letter should be specific to your qualifications and
potential as an Honor Commission member rather than a general letter of recommendation. Please be sure that the recommender understands what the Honor Commission is and what it does. The recommender should be someone who can speak to your dedication, academic integrity, and interpersonal communication skills, among any other important attributes. Your letter may be submitted with the rest of your application or emailed directly to an Honor Commission Co-Chair (see below for contact information).

- Please type your answers into this form, contact your recommender, and submit your completed application to the Office of Academic Advising (CUB 280) or via email to Julia Clevinger ’21 (clevju01@gettysburg.edu) and/or Bailey Heath ’19 (heatja02@gettysburg.edu), Honor Commission Co-Chairs.

- Following the submission of your application, a member of the Honor Commission will contact you to schedule a brief, informal meeting to ask several follow-up questions.

- Please email Julia Clevinger ’21 (clevju01@gettysburg.edu) or Bailey Heath ’19 (heatja02@gettysburg.edu), Honor Commission Co-Chairs, with any questions. We look forward to reviewing your application!

**Minimum Requirements:**

- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- Current Gettysburg College student in good academic standing
Name:

Class Year:

Major (if declared):

Campus Involvement:

How did you learn of the Honor Commission application and/or decide to apply? Please select all that apply. If you would like to include the name of a particular person, please feel free to do so in the space below. This information is for the Honor Commission’s use and has no bearing on your application.

- _____ Student Digest emails
- _____ Activity fair
- _____ Another student (friend)
- _____ Another student (leader; i.e., RA, CA, PLA, etc.)
- _____ Administrator/faculty member
- _____ Orientation
- _____ Campus event
- _____ Other (Please describe: ________________________________)

Why do you want to join the Honor Commission and what do you hope to gain from this experience?

Please describe a time when you were faced with an ethical dilemma. How did you respond to the situation and what did you learn from it? This response may be slightly longer than 200 words if necessary.
Have you ever had any academic or conduct violations at Gettysburg College? If so, please elaborate on the situation and what you learned as a result of your experience. Has this experience played any role in your desire to join the Honor Commission?

Why do you think the Honor Code is important to Gettysburg College?

If you were a Disney character, who would you be and why?