QRC Staffer Application: Fall 2016

Name: Email: Phone: Class Yr:

Hours: Mon-Fri 11am-3pm Website: http://grcbrandeis.weebly.com

What Does the QRC Do?

The Queer Resource Center (QRC) is a student-run organization that strives to provide support, education, outreach, and advocacy for all members of the Brandeis undergraduate community. QRC Staffers receive training in supporting and counseling people of all identities and lifestyles including but not limited to Trans, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Asexual, Queer, Intersex, BDSM, Kink, Polyamory, and Allies. We also provide services surrounding intersectionality, privilege and oppression, domestic violence, sexual assault, suicide prevention, self-harm, and sexual health. We are committed to making Brandeis a safe space for students of all genders, sexualities, and identities through confidential peer counseling, educational outreach programs, resources and referrals.

What are we looking for?

We are looking to expand our team of driven, conscientious staffers. QRC staffers are dynamic individuals committed to furthering equality and awareness on campus. These positions, while voluntary, do entail a time commitment of several hours per week. This includes holding office hours, attending weekly staff meetings, and community building within the QRC. We also work throughout the campus community via workshops, hall programs, and working with CAs, OLs, campus clubs, and Brandeis staff/faculty. A commitment to the QRC requires involvement for a minimum of two semesters. These need not be concurrent under certain circumstances in which a staffer is not at Brandeis for a given amount of time. *The QRC is accepting of all identities*, and we encourage people of all identities to apply.

Application Information

The QRC is located in the Gender and Sexuality Center in Usdan below the Office of Study Abroad. Feel free to come by 11am-3pm M-F with any questions. Also send questions to qrcbrandeis@gmail.com

Applications are due *March 28 at 5pm by hard copy* (handed in at the Gender and Sexuality Center) or midnight by email (to grcbrandeis@gmail.com).

You will be contacted within a few days for individual interviews. Please don't stress. We just want to meet you! All applicants will be informed of decisions by email within two weeks of interviewing. Accepted applicants absolutely must be able to attend training in the week before the fall semester starts.

The identities of the applicants as well as the content of their applications are kept confidential.

Please answer all of the following questions in a separate document. **One short paragraph per question is sufficient.** Feel free to be creative!

- 1. Why are you applying to the QRC?
- 2. What experiences have you had that you believe will benefit the QRC? Feel free to draw from experiences ranging from the personal to the professional.
- 3. What specific skills can you contribute to the QRC? (organizational, creative, etc.)
- 4. What is your personal definition of confidentiality? Why do you think confidentiality is important to the QRC?
- 5. What is your understanding of the word queer? Who might identify as gueer?
- 6. QRC staffers provide both peer counseling and education/outreach services to the campus. How do you see yourself working in each of these roles?
- 7. As QRC staffers, we often come across topics that might make us uncomfortable. What obstacles do you imagine facing as a QRC staffer? How would you approach them?
- 8. The QRC requires a minimum time commitment of five hours per week--two hours of an all-staff meeting and three office hours. Knowing that, what conflicts might you have, and how will you prioritize the QRC?
- 9. QRC staffers go through training on a variety of topics at the beginning of every semester. What is a topic you feel you could benefit from learning more about?
- 10. If you were to come to the QRC office, what would you like to see from a peer counselor?
- 11. Tell us a little about who you are!
- 12. Include your printed name, signature, and date with your application.

Print Name	
Signature _	 Date