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DIVERSITY OPEN HOUSE (DIVOH) PROGRAM APPLICATION

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN ATTENDING ONE OF THE AMHERST COLLEGE DIVERSITY OPEN HOUSE WEEKENDS. CONSIDERATION FOR THE PROGRAM IS DEPENDENT UPON OUR RECEIPT OF YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION AND A COPY OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT BY AUGUST 16, 2013. THE TRANSCRIPT DOES NOT NEED TO BE OFFICIAL AND YOU MAY SUBMIT PHOTOCOPIES. YOU MAY MAIL YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF ADMISSION, AMHERST COLLEGE, P.O. BOX 5000, AMHERST, MA 01002-5000. YOU MAY EMAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO DIVTRAVEL@AMHERST.EDU, OR FAX YOUR APPLICATION TO THE ATTENTION OF LINDA RODRIGUEZ AT 413-542-2040.

CHECK DATE(S) YOU ARE ABLE TO ATTEND IF ACCEPTED TO THE PROGRAM:

□ September 21-23, 2013 □ October 26-28, 2013

APPLICANT PERSONAL INFORMATION (Required)

□ **Male** □ **Female**

Legal Name:

_____

Last First Middle (Complete) Jr., etc.

Birth Date: _____ **Social Security Number** _____

Month/ Day/ Year Optional

Telephone: Home: (_____) _____ **Cell:** (_____) _____

Area Code Area Code

Permanent Home Address: _____

Street Name and Number

_____

City/Town State/ Province Zip/Postal Code

Email Address: _____

NOTE: ALL COMMUNICATION RELATING TO THE PROGRAM WILL EMAILED TO YOU

DEMOGRAPHICS INFORMATION (Optional)

First language(s) (if other than English):_____

Language(s) spoken at home (if other than English): _____

Please indicate how you identify yourself (check one or more):

□ Hispanic/ Latino
□ Black or African American
□ American Indian or Alaska Native **Tribal Enrollment Number:** _____
□ Asian
□ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
□ White

In addition to the above, please describe your background: _____

CITIZENSHIP INFORMATION (Required)

□ **US Citizen or U.S. National**
□ **US Permanent Resident**
□ **Non-US Citizen** **Country of Non -US Citizenship:** _____
Years lived in the United States: _____

FAMILY INFORMATION (Required)

Parents' Marital Status: **(relative to each other)**

□ **Never Married** □ **Married** □ **Civil Union/ Domestic Partners** □ **Separated** □ **Divorced** □ **Widowed**

With whom do you make your permanent home?

□ **Parent 1** □ **Parent 2** □ **Both** □ **Legal Guardian** □ **Ward of the Court/State** □ **Other**

Parent 1: □ **Mother** □ **Father** □ **Unknown**
Is Parent 1 living? □**Yes** □**No**

_____
Last Name First Name

Occupation: _____

College (if any): _____

Highest Degree Obtained: _____

Parent 2: □ **Mother** □ **Father** □ **Unknown**
Is Parent 2 living? □**Yes** □**No**

_____
Last Name First Name

Occupation: _____

College (if any):_____

Highest Degree Obtained: _____

Legal Guardian: _____
Last Name First Name

Occupation: _____

College (if any): _____

Highest Degree Obtained: _____

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION (Required)

If chosen to attend a DIVOH, will you need financial assistance from Amherst to fund your travel? □ YES □ NO
(Answering "YES" to this question does not decrease your chances of selection to attend the program.)

If you answered "YES" to the question above, please provide an explanation:

_____

_____

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION (Required)

Name of High School: _____

High School City and State: _____ **Year of Graduation:** _____

School Type: □ Public □ Private □ Charter □ Religious □ Home School □ Independent

Cumulative GPA: _____ **on a** _____ **point scale** **My GPA is** □ **weighted** □ **unweighted**

Class rank: _____ **in a class of** _____ **My rank is** □ **weighted** □ **unweighted**

Please leave the spaces blank if your school does not does not compute grade point average and/or rank.

TESTING INFORMATION (Required)

ACT (Highest Composite): _____ **SAT I (Highest Scores):** _____ _____ _____
Reading Math Writing

If you have not yet taken the SAT or ACT, please list your PSAT or ACT PLAN scores, if available:

PSAT: _____ _____ _____ **PLAN:** _____
Reading Math Writing Composite

Do you plan to retake any of these tests? □ YES □NO If yes, when will you retest? _____
Month/Year

HONORS & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (Required)

Please list High School Honors/Awards:

_____

_____

Briefly, list the extracurricular activities or work experience that you have been most active with in high school and any leadership positions:

_____

_____

ACADEMIC RESEARCH

Have you engaged in academic research during high school that was undertaken independently of your school curriculum? □ **YES** □ **NO**

If yes, please provide a brief description that includes where, when, and under whose mentorship you conducted the research.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Have you visited the Amherst campus within the past two years? □ **YES** □ **NO**

If yes, please give the date of your most recent visit: _____

Please list any relatives who have attended Amherst College.

_____ _____
First and Last Name, Relationship to you **Year of (expected) graduation from Amherst**

SHORT ESSAY (Required)

Please respond to the following essay prompt in no more than 350 words. You may submit your essay on a separate sheet of paper:

"We … give special importance to the inclusion … of talented persons from groups that have experienced prejudice and disadvantage …because the best and the brightest people are found in many places, not few; because our classrooms and residence halls are places of dialogue, not monologue; because teaching and learning at their best are conversations with persons other than ourselves about ideas other than our own." (Amherst College Trustees' Statement on Diversity)

Tell us how your own experiences and background will allow you to contribute to these conversations.