

# HOUSING APPLICATION

## DISCIPLES DIVINITY HOUSE AT VANDERBILT

### READ THIS FIRST: Introduction

**Community:** All prospective residents of the House should be aware that one of the House's goals is to promote community among those who live here, without regard to denominational affiliation. Residents should not expect Disciples Divinity House to function only as a dormitory. If you are accepted to live here, you are required to take part in community life such as the Opening Retreat, House meals, and special programs. A House Community Activity Fee underwrites the cost of House meals and community life.

**Priorities for Selection:** In keeping with its mission of support for ministry students of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the Disciples Divinity House sets priorities that govern eligibility for residence at the House. Prospective residents will be considered for admission in the following order, with date of application governing order within groups:

1. Students from the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the Vanderbilt Divinity School and the Graduate Department of Religion.
2. Non-Disciple students in the Vanderbilt Divinity School and the Graduate Department of Religion.

The House seeks to build a community of Divinity and GDR students that does not discriminate among residents during the course of an academic year. However, if there are more incoming Disciple students than can be accommodated in a new year, non-Disciples may be asked to move and will be notified in a timely manner in the spring.

**Space Available:** The House has several types of spaces available. Ten unfurnished single rooms are available in two sizes, approximately 12'6" x 9' or 15'3" x 12'. Bathrooms are shared between two rooms. Ten unfurnished apartments are two-room spaces with kitchenettes and private bathrooms. The living room/kitchen area is approximately 12'x15' and the bedroom is 10'x10'. Preference in assigning apartments goes to married couples.

**Community Kitchen:** Residents in single rooms have use of the community kitchen on the main floor, where they are assigned cupboard, refrigerator and freezer space. Kitchen users are expected to keep the common kitchen clean.

## **Rent and Fees, 2022-23:**

All rooms are subsidized by Disciples Divinity House. Residents who are members of a congregation of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) pay the Disciples of Christ rate. All other residents pay the Non-Disciples rate.

### Apartments:

Disciples of Christ: \$425 per month

Non-Disciples: \$825 per month

### Larger rooms:

Disciples of Christ: \$225 per month

Non Disciples: \$550 per month

### Smaller rooms:

Disciples of Christ: \$205 per month

Non-Disciples: \$500 per month

Rent is due in advance, on the first of the month.

**Annual Adjustment:** Rents and fees are reviewed and adjusted annually. As decisions are made, residents and prospective residents will be informed of changes.

**Security deposit:** Upon acceptance, incoming residents pay one month's rent as a security deposit. The deposit will be returned upon departure if the room or apartment is left clean and without damage. If the Dean or House Administrator of Disciples Divinity House determines that the room or apartment has been left in an unsatisfactory condition, some or all of the deposit will be retained by the Disciples Divinity House to pay for cleaning.

**Key Deposit:** \$10 deposit for each room key. \$25 for each outside door security key.

**House Community Activity Fee:** \$100 per academic year. This fee covers the cost of House meals and supports House events. It is assessed at move-in.

**Parking Fee:** The annual non-refundable parking fee is \$100 for each resident who has a car for which they wish to reserve one parking lot space.

**Pet Fee:** The annual, non-refundable pet fee is \$50. Since space is limited and shared with others, pets generally are not advisable at the House. However, special permission for small animals may be granted to apartment residents. No pets are allowed in single rooms. If a pet becomes a problem, it may be necessary to ask the pet to leave.

**Non-Disciples applications:** Applications will be considered on a rolling basis. We will make every effort to notify applicants as soon as possible about availability.

**Background checks:** in completing an application, any applicant gives permission to the Disciples Divinity House office administrators to see the results of any criminal background checks done by the Vanderbilt Divinity School and/or Disciples Divinity House.

**APPLICATION FOR RESIDENCE**

**Disciples Divinity House**

**1917 Adelia Street**

**Nashville, TN 37212**

**(615) 321-0380**

admin@discipleshousevandy.org

***NOTE: Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) students also filling out the application for scholarship support need not repeat information provided on that form. Please complete and return by mail or email attachment. Applications will be processed in the order in which they are received.***

Name:

Preferred pronouns

Current Address:

Permanent Address, if different than above:

Email:

Phone numbers where you can be reached:

Degree program and beginning date intended at Vanderbilt:

Preferred move-in date:

Type of space desired: Single \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment \_\_\_\_\_

Religious/denominational affiliation:

Home church membership:

*References: If you are not a Disciple applicant for MDiv scholarship support, we request names and contact information of 3 references who can speak to your character, responsibility, and ability to get along with others in a community living situation.*

As part of this application for housing, I grant access to my background check at Vanderbilt Divinity School and application file to the administration of Disciples Divinity House for the purposes of screening my application for residential community. I understand that this information will only be used for this purpose and will not be shared in other ways.

**Signature:**

**Date:**

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