Please have the entire application and code of conduct agreement completed, signed, and submitted either online at servicetrips@dickinson.edu or to the Center for Service, Spirituality and Social Justice at Landis House no **later than 12:00 pm on Monday, October 24th**.

**- ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL** -

**Pittsburgh, PA Veterans / Homelessness Service Trip** - Nov. 11-13, 2016 ($50)

**Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ HUB Box #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Dickinson Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Campus Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Information:**

Preferred name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Class year: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Hometown: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Major or intended major: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt size (in men’s): S M L XL

I am van certified: \_\_\_\_\_\_ mini-van \_\_\_\_\_\_   
I am not van certified, but can become van certified (have had a driver’s license for 2 years): \_\_\_\_\_\_

I am ineligible to become van certified: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any allergies (food or other) or dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Will you be able to be available for the entire duration of the trip? YES or NO

If not, why? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you able to pay the entire trip fee?[[1]](#footnote-1) YES or NO

Have you ever applied to other service trips at Dickinson? If so, how many? 0 1 2 3 4 5+

Have you participated in any other service trips at Dickinson?

If so, which ones? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any previous construction experience? If so, what is it? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Service Trip Student Guide**

I have read and understand the contents of the Service Trip Student Guide, accessible electronically at

[**http://www.dickinson.edu/download/downloads/id/738/student\_service\_trip\_guidebook**](http://www.dickinson.edu/download/downloads/id/738/student_service_trip_guidebook)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Interviews:**

Please circle ALL of the time slots during which you would be able to interview (we will assign you a time based on your response):

**\_\_\_\_** Thursday, October 27 at 6PM \_\_\_\_\_ Thursday, October 27 at 7PM

**Two References:** Professional, academic, or otherwise (one must be on campus)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Team Meetings:**

Team Meetings are mandatory for all service trip participants. These meetings prepare participants for understanding the context, service to be provided, and responsibilities on the trip.

**\*Please understand that team meetings are important to the success of each trip, and I recognize that participation is mandatory.**

**Essays:**

Please answer the following questions separately and attach your answers to the application. *Please limit each individual response to 150 words.*

1. What characteristics, talents, or hobbies do you feel are important in describing you?

1. Please describe your previous leadership or team-building experiences. Also, please list your involvements on campus (will not be included in word count).
2. Why do you want to go on this trip and what do you hope to gain from this experience?
3. What is a social justice issue that matters to you? Why?
4. What is the one thing you would like to change about your Dickinson experience?

**Service Trip Participation/Code of Conduct Agreement**

**I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­­­­­­­­­­­­­­, agree to adhere to the following if I am selected to participate in a service trip sponsored by the Dickinson College Center for Service, Spirituality and Social Justice:**

-**I understand that this trip is not a vacation. My main priority is to engage the community that hosts our group and to serve them to the best of my ability.**

**-I understand that this trip will have fundraising responsibilities, and I will do my part to fulfill these obligations.**

**-I will work to build and maintain a cohesive community, among trip participants and those with whom we work. My work will go beyond “normal expectations.”**

**-I will respect my fellow trip participants, student leaders, and administrators. In addition, I will maintain a clean and safe living space.**

**-I will respect our hosts, their culture, beliefs, and property, and I will behave responsibly and appropriately in their community. \****Note: Our service trips have no religious affiliation. However, many of our community service partner organizations are faith-based non-profits. In addition, we often stay in or near religious facilities, and you will have the opportunity to show appreciation for the local community’s hospitality by participating in worship activities. Participation is your choice; although, we highly recommend it as a religious and/or cultural experience. Just be respectful.*

**-I will put forth my fair contribution to the trip's work and projects, and I will maintain a consistent positive attitude in everything we do (including time on the jobsite, group meetings & reflections, and additional tasks that may arise).**

**-I will be safe, follow all laws, and respect all curfews & requests set by student leaders and trip administrators.**

**-I will not leave our assigned areas without the express permission of trip administrators.**

**-I will not use illegal drugs of any kind or medication not prescribed to me by a doctor.**

**-I understand that Dickinson Service Trips are alcohol-free environments. Even if I am legally allowed to consume alcohol, I will abstain from doing so throughout the entire course of the trip -- from the time the trip leaves campus until the trip returns to campus.**

**-I will not participate in intimate relationships during the trip.**

**-I understand that this is a trip is sponsored by Dickinson College, and I will therefore adhere to the Dickinson College Student Code of Conduct.**

**-I understand that if I violate this agreement, trip administrators reserve the right to terminate my participation on this trip and send me home at my own expense.**

**Service Trip Team Selection Procedure**

Service trips are run through the Center for Service, Spirituality and Social Jusice. Service trips immerse students and staff in communities throughout the US and abroad and seek to confront underlying societal needs by asking questions, seeking connections, and serving in various cultures and communities.  *Participating in a service trip is a privilege.*

Due to host arrangements and costs of the programs, only a small number of students can be selected for each trip. When on a trip, the students and staff represent Dickinson College and therefore it is an honor to be part of this team.

**To determine team members, the following are taken into consideration:**

* Passion for service to others
* Interest in cultural experience and becoming an engaged citizen
* Academic and social status (Academic status and student conduct are checked by the Center for Service, Spirituality and Social Justice
* Team diversity
* Approximately 3:1 ratio of new-to-experienced Dickinson service trip participants

**Team Selection Process**

• Applications are submitted by Wednesday, October 28th by 4:00 PM either electronically to [servicetrips@dickinson.edu](mailto:servicetrips@dickinson.edu) or by hard copy turned into Donna Hughes in Landis House.

• Review of applications

• Group interviews

* Final decisions by trip leaders & the Center for Service, Spirituality and Social Justice

**-I have read and understand the service trip team selection procedure, and I agree to remain respectful and flexible to both the student leaders and staff of the Center for Service, Spirituality and Social Justice throughout the entire selection process.**

**Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Academic and Conduct Background**

Trip participants are representatives of the Dickinson community. Preparation for each trip is extensive, therefore time and energy is needed to fully commit and participate in a service trip prior to and during the trip. It is essential that trip participants are in good standing academically and socially with the college.

Academic and social conduct records will be reviewed for all participants as part of the selection process.

**THIS INFORMATION WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Academics**

Trip participants must have a 2.5 GPA to be considered for the trip.

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Community Life**

Conduct violations made within the Dickinson campus community may inhibit participation. This includes, but is not limited to, currently being on stayed suspension and probation.

Have you ever received College or Campus Life disciplinary sanctions? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If yes, please explain:

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*If preferred, this sheet can be returned in an envelope   
but must accompany the application for consideration on the service trip.*

1. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)