May 7, 2012

Dear Incoming Brandeis Graduate Student:

You are cordially invited to attend House Hunting Days 2012. The 2012 session will begin July 30th – August 3rd. The deadline to register will be July 6th, 2012. Please register early as space is limited.

House Hunting Days is an intensive program to assist new graduate students in finding housing and a roommate over the course of 5 days. It is our expectation that you will have a signed lease and a place to stay for the coming academic year by the end of the event. During the event, new students are provided with housing in University residence halls while they search the local area for places to live. In addition, The Off-Campus Housing Office will supply House-Hunters with maps of the area, lists of realtors and landlords seeking tenants, local telephone and internet access for conducting your search, directions for how to use public transit, and other information you may need. In past years, over 95% of those who have participated have found the apartment or the roommates they needed.

To register for House Hunting:

If you would like to attend our Event, please complete the registration form included and return it, along with the $75.00 non-refundable registration fee, no later than July 6th. Registration forms will receive priority based on the order they are received. Only completed forms with the deposit are processed.

To return forms, please send (along with check made out to "Brandeis University" for the amount of $75.00) via snail-mail to:

Robin Hennessey – House Hunting
Graduate Student Center – MS 207
Brandeis University
PO Box 549110
Waltham, MA 02454-9110

Accommodations:

During the event, Brandeis University will open accommodations for about 40 people. Beds, desks, and bathroom facilities will be provided for your stay. **However, please be aware that no cooking facilities and no linen supplies are available**. You will be responsible for supplying your own sheets, towels, pillows, etc. Also, due to limited space, we cannot accommodate spouses, companions, or children.

You are responsible for providing transportation to Brandeis for House Hunting Days. During your days here, public transportation will be available if you need it, but it is recommended that you bring a car if you can (even if you're not planning on having one to use during the year). Please be prepared to start and finish your search at this event.

Best,

Robin Hennessey

Graduate Center Coordinator

Important things to note

- **Registration Deadline July 6th, 2012. All payments must be received by this date to participate.**
- **No sheets or towels are provided in the residence halls**
- **Come prepared with the financial backing to secure an apartment! You will most likely need 1st months rent, last months rent, and a security deposit. (If the apartment is $600.00 per month you will need to be able to put down $600.00 x 3 = $1800.00) Sometimes landlords are negotiable in this amount but please be prepared for the maximum.**

Registration Form House Hunting Days 2012

Please note registration must be received along with a nonrefundable registration fee of $75.00 U.S. check or money order. **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY.**

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Name_____

Address_____

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Phone Number_____ E-mail_____

Incoming School (Circle One) IBS Heller GSAS

Dietary Restrictions(Circle One) No Restrictions Vegetarian Kosher

Student Type(Circle One) International Domestic

Other Comments
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Deadline to register for House Hunting Days is July 6th.

Please have your registration form in to our office or post-marked no later than the deadline**.**
Registrants will receive confirmation and other pertinent information by email.
Participants are expected to make their own travel arrangements to and from the campus.

If you register but cannot attend, please note that the housing fee is **nonrefundable**; if you do need to cancel please do so early.