

## Bonner Leaders Interview – Incoming 1<sup>st</sup> Year Students

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Interview Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_

### I. Introductions, Overview of Bonner Leaders

Interviewers introduce selves, title, and year/major (if student)

Overview of Bonner Program:

- A supportive community of students who share a common commitment to social justice issues and making positive change in community
- National organization - 75 colleges participate in the Bonner Program, engaging over 3,000 students every year

Expectations:

- Bonner Orientation at the beginning of each semester
  - Perform a minimum of 300 hours of service during the academic year (8-10 hours/week)
  - Attend Bonner Class one evening per week
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### II. Questions for Applicant

1. Please explain two reasons why you want to be a Bonner Leader and how you see yourself contributing to the program.
2. What motivates you to do service? When or how did this begin?
3. Describe the unique talents, skills, and perspective you bring to service work.
4. Can you describe a drawback to doing service?

5. Please describe one specific goal you have for yourself in college besides doing well academically.
6. Can you name one person who has influenced you and why/how?
7. An important aspect of the Bonner Leaders Program is the ability to work with people who are different from you. Please talk about any cross-cultural experiences you have had or describe a time or situation where you worked with someone different from yourself and what you learned from that experience.
8. What do you think of the statement, "Poor people are poor because they are lazy"?
9. What is a book that you've read recently that had an impact on you?
10. What questions do you have for us?

**Optional Questions:**

11. How do you define leadership?
  12. How would your friends describe you?
  13. What other schools were/are you looking at?
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**Applicant Overview:**

<i>Professionalism</i>	1	2	3	4	5
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<i>Communication</i>	1	2	3	4	5
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<i>Interest/Commitment Level</i>	1	2	3	4	5
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<i>Service Experience</i>	1	2	3	4	5
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<i>“Fit” with Bonner</i>	1	2	3	4	5
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<i>Potential for Growth</i>	1	2	3	4	5
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**Total: \_\_\_\_\_ / 30**

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