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Sent: Monday, December 20, 2010 10:49 PM
To: William Earl Fry
Cc: Jason C. Locke; Sarah S Hale; Stephanie Beery; Nelson E Roth
Subject: FW: Academic Integrity & CU Matriculation resolution
Attachments: 2011 EDP ACCEPT FR BK.docx; EDP welcome ltr 11 BK.docx; 2011 TR SPRING ACCEPT BK.docx

Dear Bill,

As requested, I am writing to report on the response to the Faculty Senate's resolution on Academic Integrity and Cornell matriculation.

At the undergraduate level, which was the focus of the resolution, we have added new wording to each of the following types of documents, as shown in highlighting on the attached:

- Early Decision Admission Letter
- Early Decision Welcome Letter – Freshman
- Spring 2011 Transfer Admission Letter

We will replicate this process for Regular Decision and Fall 2011 Transfer letters and beyond.

At the graduate level, not addressed in the resolution, we added new wording of "Please note that by accepting our offer of admission, you are acknowledging that you will adhere to Cornell University's Code of Academic Integrity" to the online response-to-admission form, and in field-specific letters offering admission.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, and happy holidays,

Barb

Early Decision Freshman Admission Letter

December 9, 2010

«Effdt_Primary_First_Name» «Middle_Initial». «Effdt_Primary_Last_Name»
«Effdt_Primary_Name_Suffix»
«Address1»
«Address2»
«Address3»
«City», «State» «Postal» «Country1»

Dear «Effdt_Primary_First_Name»:

Congratulations! The admissions selection committee in the «Admit_Prog» has approved your early decision application to Cornell University for the fall of 2011. I am delighted to share this wonderful news with you and to welcome you to the Cornell community.

Cornell's admission selection process was especially competitive this year given the academic strength and outstanding personal qualities of the students who applied for primary and alternate choice admission. Thus we are particularly pleased to extend this offer of admission to you. Even more, we are excited to welcome you to Cornell's Sesquicentennial Class.

Cornell University marks its Sesquicentennial in 2015. As a member of the Class of 2015, you will join us in celebrating 150 years of rich heritage shaped by Ezra Cornell's revolutionary vision: "I would found an institution where any person can find instruction in any study." Further, you will become part of a dynamic living and learning community committed to fostering personal discovery and growth, nurturing scholarship and creativity, and engaging and enriching the human spirit of women and men from around the world. I look forward to having you join with the students and faculty here who, together, contribute to the tradition of excellence, intellectual ingenuity, and diversity that has always distinguished Cornell University.

We will reserve a place in the class for you when we receive your completed acceptance coupon and enrollment deposit. Please note that by accepting our offer of admission, you are acknowledging that you will adhere to Cornell University's Code of Academic Integrity. Our offer of admission is also contingent upon your satisfactorily completing any school work now in progress, and on your continuing to uphold high standards of character in activities outside the classroom.

I also am pleased to let you know that you will be invited to join us for Cornell Days, a program in mid-April designed specifically for students who have been admitted to Cornell. Additional information about this program will be mailed to you in the spring.

Congratulations again on your admission to Cornell University. I trust that your Cornell experience will be academically rewarding and personally enriching.

With best regards,

Jason C. Locke
Director
Undergraduate Admissions Office

Spring 2011 Transfer Admission Letter

October 27, 2010

«Effdt_Primary_First_Name» «Middle_Initial»«Effdt_Primary_Last_Name»
«Effdt_Primary_Name_Suffix»
«Address1»
«Address2»
«Address3»
«City», «State» «Postal» «Country1»

Dear «Effdt_Primary_First_Name»:

Congratulations! The admissions selection committee in the «Primary_Program» has approved your application for admission to Cornell University for the spring semester, 2011. I am delighted to share this wonderful news with you and to welcome you to the Cornell University community!

Competition for admission into this year's class was particularly keen, and you emerged as one of the top students in our exceptional spring applicant pool. We are confident that you are the kind of student who will take best advantage of the tremendously rich and varied academic programs at the university as well as the nearly inexhaustible range of activities outside the Cornell classroom. I look forward to having you join the students and faculty here who, together, contribute to the rigorous intellectual tradition of this outstanding university.

We will reserve a place in the class for you when we receive your completed acceptance coupon and enrollment deposit. Please note that by accepting our offer of admission, you are acknowledging that you will adhere to Cornell University's Code of Academic Integrity. Our offer of admission is also contingent on your satisfactorily completing any school work now in progress, and on your continuing to uphold high standards of character in activities outside the classroom. Please be sure to carefully read the enclosed information and let us know if we can be of assistance to you.

Congratulations again on your admission to Cornell University. I trust that your Cornell experience will be academically rewarding and personally enriching.

With best regards,

Jason C. Locke
Director
Undergraduate Admissions Office

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Early Decision Welcome Letter - Freshman

We are delighted to welcome you to Cornell University! We have prepared information that will be helpful as you prepare to become a full-fledged member of the Cornell community.

First: You need to reserve your place in the class.

As you know from the enclosed acceptance letter, we are holding a place for you in next year's freshman class. Please confirm your acceptance of our offer by submitting your $400 deposit postmarked by January 14, 2011. The deposit will be credited to your bursar account in your first semester at Cornell.

In addition, we remind you that your admission to Cornell as an Early Decision candidate is binding. As part of the agreement, you must withdraw any applications you have filed at other colleges or universities. Cornell, as well as other colleges that participate in early decision, take the early decision commitment very seriously. If we learn that you have not withdrawn your applications to other institutions, you will jeopardize those applications as well as your place at Cornell. If you have concerns about keeping your early decision commitment, please contact us immediately.

Second: If you have applied for financial aid, read this section.

You will receive a notification letter directly from the Office of Financial Aid and Student Employment if you have completed the financial aid application process. While your early decision acceptance to Cornell is binding, you may be eligible to be released from your early decision agreement if your financial aid award does not make a Cornell education affordable for you and your family. As part of Cornell's commitment to you, we encourage you to work closely with your financial aid counselor to make a Cornell education affordable. Please contact the financial aid office directly (607.255.5145 or finaid@cornell.edu) if you have any questions about your financial aid award.

Please note that Cornell University will be closed from Friday, December 24 through Monday, January 3. So please don't wait to contact us should you have questions about your financial aid award. Our expectation is that all students admitted under the early decision plan will send the $400 deposit postmarked by January 14.

Next: Look to hear from us in April.

In early April, you will receive information about housing and dining options; application forms will be available online. You and all other freshmen are guaranteed a room in a residence hall. If you prefer to live off campus, you'll receive information about that option in April. We will also let you know what tuition, room, and board costs are expected to be for the academic year 2011-2012. Also in April, you'll receive information about bursar procedures, the health history form, the final term grade report, and other materials.

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Finally: You'll hear from other Cornell offices during the summer.

Residence halls will open on Friday, August 19, 2011. The university orientation program is scheduled for the week before classes start. You will receive details about the program during the summer.

You will need to pay for tuition, room, and board for the semester prior to registration. If you are awarded financial aid through Cornell, your financial aid will be applied to your bill, which will be issued during the summer. (Final tuition schedules for 2011-2012 will be sent to all new students in April.) Classes start on Wednesday, August 24, 2011. For those of you who like to plan ahead, First-Year Parents' Weekend is scheduled for October 28-30, 2011.

Important Note Regarding Our Acceptance: As we noted in our offer letter to you, by accepting our offer of admission, you are acknowledging that you will adhere to Cornell University's Code of Academic Integrity. Our offer of admission is also contingent upon your satisfactorily completing any school work now in progress, and on your continuing to uphold high standards of character in activities outside the classroom. Should you encounter a situation where you are not able to complete course work in progress or you need to adjust your current course load, please speak first with your guidance counselor and then contact the admissions office at Cornell.

Questions???

Please call us at the Undergraduate Admissions Office at 607.255.5241 or contact us by email at admissions@cornell.edu. We are happy to help!

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