2015-2016 Barry University Homecoming Court

Application & Guidelines

**Applications are due by 12pm on Monday, January 25th to the Center for Student Involvement front desk (Landon Suite 202). Late applications will NOT be accepted.**

Do you have what it takes to represent Barry University? The Homecoming Committee is proud to sponsor this contest that recognizes students that embody the spirit of Barry University while striving for academic achievements, campus involvement, and community service. Make the most of your college experience by applying to become a part of the 2015-2016 Homecoming Court! The winners will be sashed/crowned during the Homecoming Halftime Show of the Men & Women’s Basketball game on Saturday, February 6th, 2016. For any questions or concerns, contact the Center for Student Involvement at (305)899-3961 located in Landon Student Union (Suite 202).

**Eligibility**: To apply, applicants must meet the following criteria:

* Must be an enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student.
* Must have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
* Must be in good academic and conduct standing with the university.
* (Optional) Be sponsored by a registered/recognized student organization, or two faculty/staff members.

**Instructions**: Please print clearly using black or blue ink. Your responses will be reviewed by the designated Homecoming Court pro-staff member and/or selections committee. Your personal statements and information will be used for voting, during announcements at Homecoming events, and other publicity. **A headshot of yourself must be emailed along with your application to** [**gsmithwrick@barry.edu**](mailto:gsmithwrick@barry.edu)**.**

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| **Student ID #:** | | **Barry email:** | | |
| **Major(s):** | | **Expected grad. date:** | | **Class level:** |
| **Birthdate:** | | | **Hometown:** | |
| (Optional)  **Sponsor(s):** | 1. **Student Organization**   A1) Name of student organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  A2) President’s full name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  A3) President’s signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   1. **Faculty/Staff Members**   B1) Faculty/Staff full name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  B1) Faculty/Staff signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  B2) Faculty/Staff full name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  B2) Faculty/Staff signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | | | |

*I hereby authorize the appropriate University departments to release information as to my academic, enrollment, and disciplinary standing at Barry University to the Barry University Homecoming Committee in order that they may verify qualifications for candidacy for 2015-2016 Homecoming Court.*

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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GPA \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Full-time status \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Classification \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Homecoming Court Timeline, Composition & Selection Process**

**TIMELINE**

**Mon, Jan 15th** – Applications are available online and in the Center for Student Involvement offices (Landon Suites 108 & 202).

**Mon, Jan 25th by 12pm** – Applications are due (deadline on page 1 of application).

**Tues, Jan 26th by 12pm** – Senior applicants will be notified if they have been selected for an interview.

**Wed, Jan 27th (Between 9am-5pm)** – The top Senior candidates will be interviewed by the Homecoming Court Selections Committee to determine the 3 finalists.

**Thurs, Jan 28nd by 5pm** – The 2015-2016 Homecoming Court students’ names will be announced.

**Fri, Jan 29th (Time; TBA)** – Finalists’ must meet in-person with a Homecoming Committee member to review the rules for campaigning (before any campaigning can begin). After which finalists may begin campaigning and encouraging students to vote after attending a campaigning meeting.

**Mon, Feb 1st to Fri, Feb 5th** – All enrolled Barry University students may vote (once) for the Homecoming King & Queen, and Junior, Sophomore and Freshmen Prince & Princess.

**Sat, Feb 6th** – The 2015-2016 Homecoming Court is sashed/crowned at the Men & Women’s Basketball Game Halftime Show.

**COMPOSITION**

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| **Classifications** | **Completed Credit Hours** | **Max # of Finalists** | **Homecoming Court** |
| **Freshmen**:  Prince & Princess | 30 or less credit hrs | 3 Males  3 Females | 1 Male (Prince)  1 Female (Princess) |
| **Sophomore**:  Prince & Princess | 31 – 60 credit hrs | 3 Males  3 Females | 1 Male (Prince)  1 Female (Princess) |
| **Junior**:  Prince & Princess | 61 – 90 credit hrs | 3 Males  3 Females | 1 Male (Prince)  1 Female (Princess) |
| **Senior**:  King & Queen | 90 or more credit hrs | 3 Males  3 Females | 1 Male (King)  1 Female (Queen) |

**SELECTION COMMITTEE**

The Selection Committee encompasses a select number of Barry University Faculty, Staff and/or Alumni who are good judges of Barry University student academic achievement, campus involvement, and representation for the university. While students may be familiar to some judges, we ask that judges treat each applicant on their own merit as a representative of Barry University. Judges will score applicants in four main categories:

* **Campus Life** – quality involvement in student organizations; participation in activities enhancing Barry University.

* **Civic Engagement** – organizes and/or participates in service for the university or surrounding community.

* **Academic Accomplishment** – shows strong academic integrity and success.
* **Ambassadorship** – strong interview; shows pride for Barry University; knowledgeable of Barry University traditions and history; willingness to develop campus life further.
* **Overall strength** – overall impression of applicant; totality of the application.

**Activities and Deadlines**

**Mandatory appearances for the 2015-2016 Barry University Homecoming Court take place at the following dates and times.**

Friday, Jan 29th at 6:00pm \*An assigned window will be decorated by each finalist. Finalists will be paired to campaign as a couple for some activities.

Monday, Feb 1st at 9:00pm **Bon Fire**

Be a part of opening ceremonies and usher in Homecoming 2016.

Tues, Feb 2nd at 9:00pm **Barry Beauties *Diamonds Are Forever*** Meet the finalists.

Wed, Feb 3rd at 5:30pm **Women’s / Men’s Basketball games**

Thurs, Feb 4th **Fashion Show EVOLUTION**

VIP Seating.

Fri, Feb 5th at 9:00pm **75th Anniversary Homecoming Dance**

Special Guests.

Sat, Feb 6th **Tailgate**

Finalists will be involved in tailgating festivities.

**Crowing**

Winners will be announced during the half-time of the Men’s / Women’s Basketball game.

**Future appearances required of the Homecoming Court winners include:**

* Student Affairs Awards Banquet held in April.
* Crowning/Sashing ceremony during the 2016-2017 Homecoming.

*Certain events may be tentative, all are subject to change. All applicants and finalists will be notified with advanced warning of any changes made.*

**Leadership & Involvement Experiences**

**Please answer all the sections and questions in their entirety, using full sentences where necessary. Additional supporting documents may be included with your application if desired (eg. Resume). This section may be handwritten or typed and attached (illegible handwritten applications will not accepted). For any questions or concerns, please contact Gerard Smithwrick at** [**gsmithwrick@barry.edu**](mailto:gsmithwrick@barry.edu) **or (305) 899 – 3960 located in Landon Student Union (Suite 202).**

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| **List names of registered / recognized student organizations you are most involved in while at Barry University.** | **Include the Leadership positions held in the organization.** | **Semester(s) / Year(s)** |
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| **List any individual community service projects or activities for any professional or civic engagement organizations most involved in while attending Barry University.** Do NOT list community service done through a registered / recognized student organization at Barry whom you belong to. | **Semester(s) / Year(s)** |
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| **List any honors, awards, scholarships, or accomplishments you’ve earned while attending Barry University.** | **Semester(s) / Year(s)** |
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**Leadership & Involvement Experiences (cont.)**

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| **List any employment or internships while attending Barry University.** | **Position(s)** | **Semester(s) / Year(s)** |
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1. **Based on your experience at Barry University, what advice would you give to an incoming Freshman?**

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1. **What would it mean to you be part of the 2015-2016 Homecoming Court?**

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1. **Describe your best qualities to serving in representing Barry University?**

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1. **How do you promote being a Barry Buccaneer?**

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1. **What is Barry Pride?**

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