



# *To Be and Become...*

## *The FarmHouse Emerging Talent Retreat*

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### **Overview and Mission**

Due to the generosity and financial support of Monsanto, the International Fraternity is pleased to announce the continuation of the unique educational leadership program for undergraduate men—*To Be and Become...The FarmHouse Emerging Talent Retreat*.

The mission of *To Be and Become* is to assist the FarmHouse man in discovering his unique individual talents early in his collegiate career, so that he may build upon these skills to better himself, his chapter and his academic and professional pursuits. Achieved through an exciting three-day retreat comprised of outdoor adventure learning, facilitated workshops and team building activities geared toward the development of leadership and personal growth, *To Be and Become* is a once in a life-time opportunity for FarmHouse men.

### **Curriculum and Format**

The program is a three-day institute set in a retreat-style environment. Events will incorporate the four-fold mission of our Fraternity allowing for daily reflection, social interactions with brothers, physical development and one-of-a-kind educational opportunities in an exciting and adventurous outdoor learning atmosphere. Brothers will explore ways in which to maximize and build upon these strengths and natural talents for the betterment of themselves, their chapter, their campus, their relationships and their community.

### **Participants, Applications and Selection**

Those invited to apply and participate in the inaugural *To Be and Become* retreat are men completing their first-year of their undergraduate education in the spring term. One man from every chapter and colony will be selected to attend. Brothers are invited to submit a written application to the International office. The submitted application must receive the chapter president and advisor team endorsement. More than one member from a chapter may apply, but only one man from each chapter or colony will be selected. The application deadline is April 1.

### **Dates and Location**

*To Be and Become* will take place Wednesday, May 23 to Friday, May 25 to avoid campus final exams and summer internships. The retreat will be held outside of Kansas City at Camp Heartland in Parkville, Mo.

## **Schedule of Events**

### **Day 1 –**

- 3:00 p.m. – Check-In
- 3:30 p.m. – Welcome and Site Tour
- 4:30 p.m. – Opening Meet and Greet Activities
- 6:00 p.m. – Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. – Evening Educational Session
- 9:30 p.m. – Snack Break and Late Night Event (i.e. Night Hike, Camp Fire, etc.)
- 11:30 p.m. – Activities Conclude

### **Day 2 –**

- 7:00 a.m. – Morning Hike and Reflection Activity
- 7:45 a.m. – Breakfast
- 8:30 a.m. – Educational Sessions Continue and Outdoor Learning Adventure
- 11:30 a.m. – Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. – Outdoor Learning Adventure
- 6:30 p.m. – Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. – Evening Activities
- 11:30 p.m. – Activities Conclude

### **Day 3 –**

- 7:30 a.m. – Breakfast
- 8:30 – Closing Session
- 11:30 p.m. – Wrap-up and Send-off

## **Travel and Logistics**

All costs associated with the retreat are fully paid thanks to the sponsorship support from Monsanto. Individuals attending will not incur travel, lodging or meal costs as part of attending this exciting brotherhood experience.

Travel, including airfare, will be coordinated by the International Fraternity to and from Kansas City. Those participants driving are responsible for their own travel (mileage reimbursement provided) and arriving and departing within the assigned time of the retreat.

## **Thanks to our Sponsor**

The entire cost of *To Be and Become* is underwritten by a grant from Monsanto. FarmHouse International Fraternity is extremely appreciative of this generous support, allowing the concept of an emerging talent retreat to become a reality. Monsanto is one of the country's leading agribusinesses and is committed to providing innovative sustainable agriculture practices to meet the world food needs of the future. Monsanto is very proud to assist with this opportunity to provide innovative development opportunities for FarmHouse men!

## **Questions?**

For more information regarding *To Be and Become* chapters, officers or individuals should contact Chad Harris, executive director, at (816) 891-9445 or by e-mail, [chad@farmhouse.org](mailto:chad@farmhouse.org).

*Please join us on this exciting endeavor in building FarmHouse men!*



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**Undergraduate Participant Application**

Thank you for your interest in the inaugural *To Be and Become* retreat. It promises to be a one-of-a-kind learning adventure. Submitted applications are to provide the following information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Town (City/State): \_\_\_\_\_

The following questions are to be answered by the applicant. Answers should not exceed three pages in total length.

1. How did you first learn of FarmHouse Fraternity and why did you want to join?
2. What have you enjoyed most about your FarmHouse experience to date?
3. Please list your chapter and campus involvement. Include leadership positions, offices held, membership in outside organizations, etc.
4. What is your definition of leadership and a leader?
5. What do you hope to gain from attending *To Be and Become* and how will it contribute to your personal development or your chapter's development?
6. What does FarmHouse mean to you?

*Note* = Please also include a letter from the chapter president or advisor supporting your application.

**Applications are due April 1 - please e-mail materials to:**

*Chad E. Harris, Executive Director*

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