

## Residence Life and Housing Division of Campus Life

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Lisa Diekow Housing & Residence Education Division of Student Affairs SW 13th Street & Museum Road PO Box 112100 Gainesville, FL 32611-2100

Dear Ms. Diekow,

As a new professional and first time attendee of the SEAHO annual conference, I wish to express my interest in the Fee Waiver Scholarship.

Since entering my current position in April, I have found many opportunities within Emory University's Office of Residence Life & Housing to develop my own understanding for the field and have developed a new level of respect for those who are well set into their career. This has been especially important for someone such as myself who arrived in this career without having any formal education in higher education or student affairs. Coming from a graduate program in public administration, I have effectively integrated the knowledge and skills from that degree while working with colleagues, students, staff and faculty.

I am excited and looking forward to attending the 2008 conference in Savannah, GA and hope to expand upon my experiences. By using my colleagues at Emory as resources, I hope to expand my knowledge of the field, develop a stronger network among other regional institutions and, simply, welcome the opportunity to interact with other colleagues.

Enclosed are the three items requested: a current resume, interest letter and a letter of support from Dr. Andrea Trinklein, Executive Director of Residence Life & Housing at Emory. If you or the members of the Awards and Recognition Committee have any questions or require any other materials in addition to those included, please let me know. My email address and phone number are rroche@learnlink.emory.edu and 404.325.4193, respectively.

Should the opportunity arise, I look forward to meeting and speaking with you at SEAHO 2008.

Sincerely,

Ryan Roche

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