Comm*Unity
Frequently Asked Questions

Who can apply to Comm*Unity?
Comm*Unity First Year Service Learning Experience is open to all incoming freshman commuter and off-campus students.

Do I have to attend orientation?
Orientation is absolutely mandatory. It takes place the first Saturday after selection and lasts all day from 9am-5pm. The date for the 2014-2015 year is October 18th, 2014.

What is an Alternative Break?
An Alternative Break is a trip where a group of students participate in a week of volunteer service during Spring Break. The trip focuses on a specific community or social issue, such as poverty, education, refugee settlement, environment and so on. For more information on Alternative Breaks contact the Center for Student Leadership and Service at NYU.

Do I have to attend an Alternative Spring Break to take part in the program? How much does it cost?
The Alternative Spring Break is mandatory and a highlight of the Comm*Unity experience. The cost of the Alternative Spring Break varies depending on the location. Participants will create and host fundraisers throughout the year to raise finances for the Alternative Spring Break.

What are the time commitments?
Students will hold weekly planning meetings and host monthly community service projects. Time commitments will vary depending on each month’s community service project but students should be prepared to dedicate approximately 10-12 hours a month to the Comm*Unity program.

When will I be notified if I am selected?
Applicants will be notified via email. The timeline for the 2014-2015 is TBD.