

Request to Return from Health Leave of Absence (HLOA) Personal Statement

The university wants to ensure that students can safely return from a Health Leave of Absence. Accordingly, students who wish to resume their academic program must demonstrate they are well enough to carry out substantial self-care obligations and participate meaningfully in their educational activities. Students can choose to provide a personal statement as a form of documentation required to indicate their fitness to resume their education at Cornell. The Health Leaves Coordinator may request additional information or documentation in order to support your return from HLOA.

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Student ID#: _____ **Net ID:** _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Cell phone #: _____

Semester and year that you are requesting to return: _____

Please address the following in your personal statement.

1. Describe your previous experience at Cornell, including the circumstances that precipitated your decision to take a Health Leave of Absence.
2. Describe what you have been doing during your time away.
3. Explain how your health condition, or your management of the health condition, has improved.
4. Given the rigors and challenges of the academic and social environment at Cornell, explain why you feel fit to resume your education at Cornell at this time.
5. What ongoing support or care will you need when you return to Cornell? (*The Health Leaves Coordinator can help you identify relevant campus resources to support your return.*)