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# LEARNING COMMUNITIES



*This is where belonging begins.*

# OVERVIEW

- Program for first-year students
- Sign up based on major or interest
- Communities of 25 students
- Co-registered for core courses
- First Year Seminar to aid in transition
- Connect with faculty and staff
- Study groups and social activities



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# LCs BY MAJOR

- Agriculture
- Agriculture Pre-Vet
- Architecture, Design & Construction
- Business
- Communication & Journalism
- Conservation Biology
- Education
- Engineering
- Forestry & Wildlife Sciences
- Human Sciences
- Kinesiology
- Liberal Arts
- Nursing
- Pre-Health
- Women in Science & Engineering



# INTERDISCIPLINARY LCs

\* These LCs are open to students in any major.

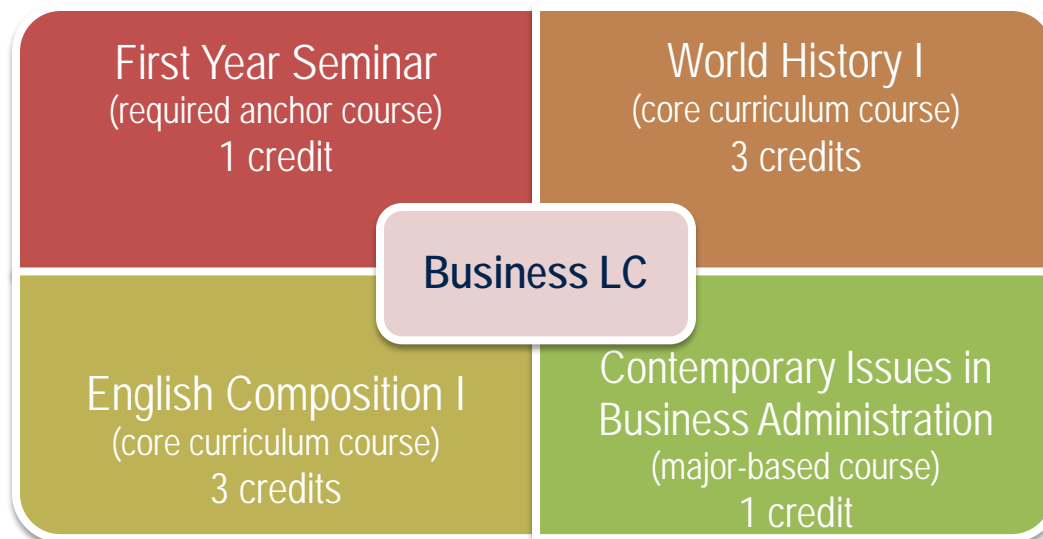
- Be Well
- Community & Civic Engagement
- Discover Auburn
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Exploring Majors and Careers
- Global Perspectives
- Leadership
- Live Green, Save Green
- Photography
- Pre-Law



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# LC CURRICULUM

- LC students are pre-registered for LC courses with others in the same Learning Community.
- First Year Seminar (FYS) course allows students to become acquainted with each other and AU.
- If students bring in college credit via IB/AP/dual enrollment, they don't need to retake the course.
  - Students are required to be in the First Year Seminar and at least one other course offered with the LC.
- Students choose additional courses to fill out their schedule at Camp War Eagle (CWE) with advisor assistance.



\*This is the curriculum for the Business LC for Fall 2015. LC curriculum varies between LCs and semesters.



# BENEFITS

- Core support group to help with transition
- Pre-registration for several Fall and Spring courses
- Opportunity to get to know FYS instructors, upperclassmen, and faculty
- LC students have a significantly easier time
  - Working with classmates outside of class to prepare assignments
  - Talking about career plans with faculty or advisors
  - Working with faculty on activities other than coursework
  - Including diverse perspectives in class discussions and assignments



# POPULAR QUESTIONS

- **WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE LEARNING COMMUNITY PROGRAM?**

- The Learning Community program is meant to support every incoming student with their transition. This is a great opportunity for out-of-state students, Alabama residents, and students at all levels of the academic spectrum. Students participating in marching band, ROTC, Greek Life, or other organizations will also be encouraged to consider a Learning Community.

- **WHAT IF I AM ALSO CONSIDERING THE HONORS COLLEGE?**

- Students can participate in a Learning Community and the Honors College. It's important to remember that the courses associated with the Learning Communities are not Honors sections; students will need to register for those courses separately.

- **WHAT IF I CHANGE MY MAJOR AND I'M IN A MAJOR-BASED LC?**

- The majority of the courses associated with the LCs are core curriculum courses; you will need them regardless of your major. We encourage students to stay in their original Learning Community during the second semester to continue to build the relationships that began during Fall. We do not recommend switching LCs though it is possible to drop the Learning Community for Spring semester.

- **DO I HAVE THE OPTION TO LIVE WITH MY LEARNING COMMUNITY?**

- Going into Fall 2015, there will no longer be the residential option for the Learning Community program. Signing up for a Learning Community will have absolutely no impact on your housing situation. Students in Learning Communities are welcome to live on or off campus.





# UPDATES

Sign up for the priority notification list to receive updates on 2015-2016 Learning Communities and the application by emailing the Learning Community program.

REMEMBER: THIS IS  
NOT EQUIVALENT TO  
SIGNING UP FOR THE  
PROGRAM.

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# SIGN UP

- Available online in late March
  - Registration open through CWE
- Test scores and essays not required
- First-come, first-served basis
- Notified of LC assignment in May



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Call or email to set up an appointment for the next time you are on campus!

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