The LEARNING COMMUNITY experience
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OF SLU FRESHMEN JOIN
LEARNING COMMUNITIES

To learn more about Learning Communities, scan this code.
LEARNING COMMUNITIES (known as LCs) are inclusive communities where students with shared academic interests learn together and live on the same floor of a residence hall. Students in Learning Communities take classes together, which can greatly enhance their ability to grow and learn their first year at SLU.

LEARNING COMMUNITIES provide a great way for you to meet new people and make friends with those who have similar interests. Plus, research shows that students are more successful when their academic experiences are integrated with other aspects of their life. You will have the opportunity to get involved on campus and within the larger Saint Louis University community.

Learn more about each Learning Community at slu.edu/lc.
GET CONNECTED with students and faculty.

Connect with students with similar academic and personal goals as you attend classes together.

Connect with faculty outside the classroom.

Get connected to campus life and SLU resources.

Access academic peer mentoring and tutoring.

Explore career options.

“My favorite part about being involved in my LC is getting the opportunity to connect with my peers but also the connections I am able to make with the LC faculty and staff.”

Ryan T.— THRIVE LC, Class of 2025
Diversity and Global Citizenship Learning Community

Get ready to explore the human experience and answer questions about what it means to live in a global society through the Diversity and Global Citizenship Learning Community. Join this LC for dialogues about identity, dinners with faculty and workshops to further your understanding of diversity.

This LC is a good fit for you if:

• You are pursuing an Engineering, Aviation, Computer Science, or Physics major
• You are interested in building community and getting to know students and faculty in the School of Science and Engineering
• You are constantly looking for opportunities to expand and innovate your studies

Engineering and Innovation Learning Community

Find a community of scholars who share a commitment to the fields of engineering, physics and flight sciences in the Engineering and Innovation Learning Community. There is a maker space on the residence hall floor which includes tools such as a 3D printer, laser engraver and robotics kits.

This LC is a good fit for you if:

• You are passionate about social justice and inclusion
• You think about problems and solutions on a local and global scale
• You are interested in American studies, anthropology, political science and sociology courses
Ethical Leaders in Business Learning Community

Build and nurture your personal relationship between business and leadership characteristics with the Ethical Leaders in Business Learning Community. You will learn from guest speakers, get hands-on experiential learning opportunities and take courses that connect your personal interests with your career goals.

This LC is a good fit for you if:

• You are a student in the Richard A. Chaifetz School of Business
• You are interested in entrepreneurial networking and mentoring opportunities
• You want SLU’s Jesuit identity to influence your approach to ethical business

Health Sciences Learning Community

Further your understanding of and connection to the interdisciplinary world of health sciences with the Health Sciences Learning Community. Live side-by-side with your future colleagues in health care, building lifelong connections along the way.

This LC is a good fit for you if:

• You are a student in the Doisy College of Health Sciences or the Trudy Busch Valentine School of Nursing
• You are passionate about providing the highest quality care to the communities you serve
• You are ready to learn from and network with other students and faculty of health science studies
“I was able to help others and learn about historical and current events happening today globally. I found this valuable because from volunteering I found different ways to give back to the community, and from the classes I felt more educated.”

Ashley T. — Diversity and Global Citizenship LC Class of 2025
Honors Learning Community

Get ready for faculty engagement and student collaboration in the Honors Learning Community. Honors faculty often spend time in the residence halls, facilitating discussions about self, SLU and the St. Louis community with this LC.

This LC is a good fit for you if:
• You have been accepted into the Honors Program
• You are interested in integrative and interdisciplinary learning
• You want to build connections with other students in the Honors Program

Imagine Learning Community

What is a good life? How can beauty and creativity foster a more just society? If you find yourself contemplating these questions, the Imagine Learning Community is the place for you! Join this LC for a welcoming intellectual and residential experience for first-year students interested in the humanities.

This LC is a good fit for you if:
• You want to explore how your interest in the humanities translates to different career paths and postgraduate opportunities
• You are excited to engage in campus events, guest speakers and faculty research projects
• You are interested in English, philosophy and theology courses
Leadership for Social Change Learning Community

Take the step to learn about social advocacy through relationship building, creative action and the social sciences with the Leadership for Social Change Learning Community. Learn to identify, critique and innovatively address underlying issues within your community structures with your peers in this LC.

🌟 This LC is a good fit for you if:
- You want to be a leader who makes a difference in the world
- You want to become an active community member in St. Louis
- You are interested in American studies, fine and performing arts, psychology, sociology and theology courses

Life Sciences Learning Community

The Life Sciences Learning Community is here to help you develop and explore your interests, whatever they may be. This LC provides the optimal environment for studying, learning and building community with other science and pre-medical students at SLU.

🌟 This LC is a good fit for you if:
- You have career interests in medical sciences, public health, sustainability or science technology
- You’re excited to build community with other students studying life sciences
- You are interested in biology, chemistry and public health courses
Micah: Living the Mission Learning Community

The Micah Program brings together faith, service, community and academics. One highlight of the program is weekly community hour, where you'll gather in small groups to support your peers, reflect on your experiences in class and at service sites and share your faith.

This LC is a good fit for you if:
- You have applied to the Micah Program, open to all faiths and majors
- You are ready for three hours of service each week at one of 13 sites near campus
- You are interested in the optional urban poverty studies minor, offered only to Micah students

THRIVE: Black and Talented Learning Community

Deepen your cultural understanding and awareness of the black diasporic experience. You'll get the chance to engage in common courses, activities — including optional spring break excursions — and dialogue with faculty and staff to foster your learning and development in this LC.

This LC is a good fit for you if:
- You are interested in a mentoring program dedicated to personal and academic excellence
- You want to develop the skills and tools to address institutional and societal change
- You are interested in African American studies, American studies, theology, communications, women's and gender studies, psychology and sociology courses
LEARNING COMMUNITY MEDALLION

Students who successfully complete Saint Louis University’s Learning Community requirements receive an academic certificate of completion and graduation medallion to be worn at commencement. An award ceremony is held each spring for all Learning Community Scholars.

DOCTRINA PROGRAM

The Doctrina program is designed to help you get involved with faculty events, social activities with your peers provided by the LC program and events across campus. Upon completion of the Doctrina program requirements, you will earn an academic certificate of completion and a graduation medallion to be worn at commencement.

To complete the Doctrina Program, you must earn 40 points each semester by attending and reflecting on community experiences and events sponsored by the Learning Community Program.

HOW TO JOIN A LEARNING COMMUNITY

1. Select your Learning Community.
   Select the community or communities for which you want to apply. Don’t forget to look at the requirements for each Learning Community because some require a specific major.

2. Submit both your Housing and Learning Community contracts.
   Apply for your Learning Community by submitting the Learning Community contract in addition to the Housing contract, which is available through auth.slu.edu. You must submit your enrollment deposit before you can access your contracts. In order to be included in the first round of Learning Community assignments, you must complete the Learning Community contract by May 1. Acceptance to Learning Communities is on a rolling basis until filled.

3. Confirm your Learning Community courses.
   Before SLU 101 orientation, you will be registered for your Learning Community’s associated courses. At SLU 101, you will meet with an advisor to make sure the courses fit your major and schedule.
WE GO TO CLASS TOGETHER.

Learning Communities offer a chance to TAKE CLASSES WITH YOUR ROOMMATE AND FLOORMATES, go on off-campus excursions, attend special lectures and get involved in community service together.