Learning Community Program Agreement

Before requesting participation in the Learning Community (LC), make sure that you are willing to make a commitment to being an active participant. The more you put into your LC (and college) experience, the more you will get out of it! Please read the following and sign below if you agree with the statements.

I understand that as a member of the 2016 LC program, I will have certain responsibilities and obligations. Among these responsibilities are the following:

• I understand that FAU’s Learning Community program is a full academic year, both fall and spring semesters.
• I understand I will be enrolled in a block of courses (8-11 credits) through the learning community for the fall semester and I must register for additional classes on my own to reach the minimum 12-credits to be considered a full-time student.
• I understand that I will be registered for and must maintain enrollment in ALL Learning Community courses that the LC staff registers me for and I understand that course schedules can only be changed through consultation with the Center for Learning And Student Success.
• I understand that I must pay my $200 Admission deposit AND have all registration holds cleared if I haven’t already done so. If I have a registration hold, I understand that I must clear it within 7 business days of applying or I will not have a space in the LC held for me.
• I understand that I am encouraged to attend and participate in Learning Community programs and events (including: study groups, meetings with my LC’s Learning Community Liaison, workshops, discussions, advising sessions, etc.) throughout the Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 semesters.
• I understand that I must attend the mandatory LC Ice Cream Social during Weeks of Welcome (specific dates will be given closer to the event). This Annual LC event serves as a welcome session for LC students and a chance to meet their LC cohort, as well as their faculty, and other LC staff.
• I understand that if I decide not to participate in a Learning Community program, I must notify the Center for Learning And Student Success IN WRITING to learningcommunity@fau.edu no later than July 1, 2016. No cancellations will be accepted after that date.

If for ANY reason you decide not to attend FAU for the Fall 2016 semester, you MUST contact the Center for Learning And Student Success IN WRITING to learningcommunity@fau.edu to officially withdraw you from the Learning Community program and your 2016 Learning Community course schedule. In addition you MUST contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions (561.297.3040) to see what needs to be completed to withdraw your application/acceptance. You MUST also contact the Department of Housing and Residential Life (561.297.2880) to see what needs to be completed to cancel your housing application/contract.

Not contacting the Center for Learning And Student Success and the other departments listed above prior to the drop/add date of August 26, 2016 will result in you being fee liable for classes and other miscellaneous expenses.

Please note that the Center for Learning And Student Success automatically registers you for a block of classes according to your specific learning community (8-11 credits) once you have been formally accepted in the Learning Community Program. It is your responsibility to register yourself for additional courses to be registered for at least 12-credits to be a considered a full-time student for the Fall 2016 semester.
Important Information regarding your Learning Community application:

- Students must be attending classes at the BOCA RATON campus.
- Application Requirements: Pay the University Tuition Deposit (in the amount of $200 to the Cashiers Office)
- If applying after May 1st, ALL HOLDS MUST be cleared within 7 business days of submitting this application. To check your holds log into MyFAU (http://myfau.fau.edu) go into FAU Self-Service that is located in the left column under your Z number.
- Register for Orientation (Orientation dates will be available in early 2016). Visit www.fau.edu/orientation
- Complete OARS (www.fau.edu/uas/oars.php). Students will receive an e-mail from University Advising Services outlining the FAU Online Advising & Resource System (OARS). Learning Community Participants will be given specific instructions at that time in regards to completing OARS.

• If you are majoring in Business, Engineering, Nursing, Exercise Science or any Science major, please make sure to complete the ALEKS Math Placement exam.

Students who enrolled in the following communities will not be formally admitted to an LC until this exam is taken and an appropriate score is attained. After April 1, ALEKS should be taken within 7 business days of receiving your official confirmation email.
  • Science LC
  • Pre-Health LC (must score at least a 30)
  • Engineering LC (must score at least a 30)
  • Any Science major joining any of the interest based LCs.

You must log into MyFAU to take ALEKS (https://myfau.fau.edu). Students must take the exam between April 1 and the first day of classes for the fall semester or any summer session, and between November 1 and the first day of classes for spring semester. Visit: www.fau.edu/mathplacement for more information.

• Students who are undecided or who are in majors not listed above SHOULD NOT take the Aleks exam until September since you will not be enrolled in a math class during the fall semester. Your Aleks exam score is only valid for 6 months.

You will receive an official confirmation of the receipt of your Learning Community application in 7-10 BUSINESS DAYS!

If you have any questions, please contact the Learning Community Program, at 561.297.0906 or learningcommunity@fau.edu.