



# Living Learning Communities (LLC)

LLC & LLC Resident Assistant Information  
2018-2019 Academic Year



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## What is a Living-Learning Community?

By living in a Curry College Living-Learning Community (LLC), students are offered the unique opportunity to live, study, and socialize with others who share similar interests, passions, and majors. Students in the LLC not only live in the same residence hall, but by participating, are allowed the opportunity to create a bridge between living and learning through a unique living environment centered on a major, common class or course, common theme, issue, or interest. From this, students are able to take an active role in connecting learning both in and out of the classroom.

## What is the Resident Assistant's Roles When Working With a LLC?

A Resident Assistant working with a LLC has the same position expectations and requirements as any Resident Assistant position on campus (*please see the Resident Assistant Position Description found on the RA Selection Portal*). The difference is in the intentional connections being made between the course/LLC themes, and hall programming and resident interactions.

In greater detail, the Resident Assistant working with the Living and Learning Community would be expected to:

- Build community among the residents of the LLC;
- Participate and lead special-interest programming related to the specific theme of the LLC;
- Communicate and work collaboratively with the faculty and/or staff working with the LLC to plan and implement programs and events;
- Complete all regularly assigned/expected responsibilities of the Resident Assistant position as described in the position description/RA Agreement.

## Who is an Ideal LLC Resident Assistant?

Candidates for the Resident Assistant position must plan to be a full-time matriculating undergraduate student with no less than 12 credit hours per semester for the 2017-2018 academic year. Candidates must have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.25 or higher. Candidates must be in good financial and student conduct standing (not on a conduct status at the time of beginning the position). While candidates with on-campus residential experience are preferred, students who are of commuter status are strongly encouraged to apply.

In addition, ideally, LLC Resident Assistants would be individuals who have previously been part of the specific LLC or have connections to the LLC themes (i.e. a Nursing/Community Health major for the Exploratory Health Professions LLC). However, any Resident Assistant candidate interested in working with LLCs is encouraged to share this interest and will be considered.

## 2018-2019 Tentative First Year Living Learning Community Profiles:

### **Communication Scholars**

Description: Interested in the field of communication? Take the first step in an ongoing course of study designed to provide exciting academic and professional opportunities for exceptional students, who are ready to challenge themselves with a more adventurous and demanding curriculum. This learning community requires an application and is selective.

Possible RA Candidate Background: This LLC would welcome candidates who have previously been part of the Communication Scholars program or a candidate highly interested in communications-based careers.

### **Health Careers**

Description: Students in this living learning community comprised of those interested in health professions. Through course work and out of class programming students will be exposed to a variety of pathways for academic and career success in the health professions.

Possible RA Candidate Background: This LLC would welcome candidates majoring in Nursing, Community Health, Exploratory Health Professions (EHP) and/or Science-based majors. Candidates interested in being part of the health community as a career should also consider this LLC.

### **First-Year Honors**

Description: As a two-semester program, First-Year Honors consists of a 3-credit colloquium and a weekly shared meal and seminar. Within this living and learning community, students gain an appreciation of the relevance of the liberal arts to their individual lives and specific academic interests. Through a theme-based course of study, the FY Honors Program fosters interdisciplinary connections as well as the academic skills necessary for above-average success at the college level. This learning community requires an application and is selective.

Possible RA Candidate Background: This LLC would welcome candidates who have previously been part of the First-Year Honors program or is currently in the Honors Program.

### **Science Scholars**

Description: Designed to foster student success in the sciences, Science Scholars provides structured courses and support for those students entering with a major in Biology or Environmental Science. Students will work together on course projects and assignments, while also exploring the possibilities for internships and other experiential learning beyond the classroom. This learning community requires an application and is selective.

Possible RA Candidate Background: This LLC would welcome candidates who have previously been part of the Science Scholars. This LLC would also welcome candidates majoring in chemistry, biology and/or other science-based majors.

### **LLCs In Development**

Description: Each year there are opportunities for faculty and staff to determine and create new LLC opportunities. While these may be currently unknown, there exists the possibility of further development and creation.

Possible RA Candidate Background: Any candidate who is interested in being part of a new initiative and helping develop a new LLC program within the residence halls. First Year Inquiry Programs

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