



<p style="text-align: center;">University of Nebraska-Lincoln Learning Community Application</p>

Date: _____

Proposed name of learning community: _____

Academic unit sponsoring community: _____

Faculty sponsor: _____

As you complete this application please keep in mind: The purpose of the University Learning Communities is to increase student success through connections between faculty, staff and students who share common career and academic interests, using the University as a context for nurturing both teaching and inquiry.

A. Focus of the community: The community must have an academic focus that may be linked to a specific discipline or to a variety of disciplines.

Learning outcomes:

Academic focus of the community:

Career development focus:

Interpersonal development focus:

B. Co-enrolled Courses: The community will take at least two courses together fall semester. These should be ES or IS courses that meet general requirements of the program, as our university transitions to ACE, the selected courses should meet ACE requirements. Most communities use an English composition course for one of these. The other should be a course related to the focus of the sponsoring unit. Communities are allowed to identify more than two courses and may also identify courses for co-enrollment during the spring semester as well.

Courses & Semester

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

C. Co-Curricular Activities:

The First Six Weeks

During the first six weeks of the semester faculty and residence life staff should promote integration into the University community. This is particularly important because research clearly shows this is the period when many students determine whether or not they will persist. Faculty and residence life staffs are encouraged to work together to plan an activity for each week. Note: neither group is expected to be at all activities.

Week One/Two:

Week Three/ Four:

Week Five/Six:

Fall Semester Activities:

Spring Semester Activities:

D. Recruitment:

University Housing will assist with the recruitment of each Learning Community by including program information at typical recruitment events, such as Red Letter Days, and the Learning Community Coordinator will work with the faculty sponsor to develop a plan to effectively market and recruit for the community. Please share the criteria you would be using for your community, such as area of study, ACT/SAT.

E. Letter of Support:

A letter of support for the development and sponsorship of this community should accompany the application from the chair of the sponsoring department and should be carbon copied to the Dean of the College.