

LIVING LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Living Learning Communities (LLCs) at UWL are intentional living environments offered by the Office of Residence Life in partnership with academic departments and other campus offices.

LLC provide students with the opportunity to thrive both in and out of the classroom. We work to create environments that allow students to make social connections by engaging with peers around shared educational experiences and to improve students' academic success through intentional programming, co-curricular learning experiences and faculty engagement.

Why Participate in an LLC?

- LLCs are a high impact practice that is proven nationally in increasing student success.
- Students who participate in LLCs report higher GPAs overall than students who live in traditional residence hall communities.
- LLC students can participate in special events and activities built around common interests.
- There is more access to faculty and staff that can help you network for future opportunities.
- Students gain a community of classmates and study group partners with similar academic interests help their academic success.

Health Professions Community

Mission:

The Health Professions Community provides students interested in the healthcare profession common academic and social experiences in a close community of peers. This community fosters personal connections with faculty, staff, healthcare professionals, and peers through intentional academic programming designed to support your success as a student.

Eligibility: Any first-year student who has interest in a pre-health major or track

Why Join? (Goals):

1. Make connections with other students in your major and similar courses
2. Opportunities for career exploration within Health Professions field.
3. Unique programs and events exclusive to student in the Health Professions Community
4. Intentional interaction with faculty outside of the classroom

Transfer Experience Community

Mission:

The Transfer Experience Community is designed to support transfer students in their transition to UWL Through a shared common experiences, residents will be connected to faculty staff and students dedicated to a successful transfer experience.

Eligibility: New entering transfer students of all backgrounds, majors, and experiences.

Why Join? (Goals)

- Engage with a community of transfer students to navigate through the UWL Experience together
- Develop social connections through residence hall and campus events specifically tailored with transfer students in mind
- Develop relationship with Faculty and staff as you transition to UWL

Outdoor Recreation Community

Mission:

The Outdoor Recreation Living and Learning community is designed for students who have a passion and an interest for outdoor activities and the environment. They must be willing to be challenged, have a desire to gain skills outside of the classroom, participate in extra-curricular activities and events relating to the outdoors. No previous experience is required for participation- just a willingness to participate, learn, and to have fun! Residents of this community will pay an additional \$400 to cover the cost of the extensive programming provided by the Outdoor Connection.

Eligibility: All Students are eligible for the ORC. You do not need to have previous experience without door activities.

Why Join? (Goals)

- Live in an environment and community for students who share an interest in the outdoors and in leadership
- Experience programs and opportunities that will allow you to refine your leadership skills, explore career opportunities in outdoor recreation and be part of an active & supportive community
- Help develop a community that is passionate about the outdoors and the environment

Global Connections Community (Future)

Mission:

The global connections community is designed for both international and Domestic students. Through intentional programming and common experiences students will increase their skills and knowledge necessary to engage in a global society.

Eligibility: All Student could be eligible for the Global Connections Community.

It is a great fit for:

students who want to meet people from other countries

students who are planning or interested in an international Studies Minor,

International students

Students who are planning a Foreign Language Major or Minor.

Why Join? (Goals)

- Meet students from all over the world
- Unique programs and events exclusive to student in the Global Connections Community
- Intentional staff and faculty engagement around global topics
- Explore Study Abroad opportunities
- Learn about the diverse cultures in our world

Learn More about our Scholarship Based LLCs:[Multicultural Validation Program](#) (Laux Hall)

The Multicultural Validation Program (MVP) is committed to helping prepare first-year multicultural students in their acclimation to the UW-La Crosse campus. The program was designed to provide new students with an established connection to the Office of Multicultural Student Services (OMSS), Office of Residence Life (ORL), and the greater UW-La Crosse campus community.

[UWL First! Scholars](#) (Laux Hall)

The “UWL First! Scholars Program” is designed to assist select first generation/low income students to succeed academically through a coordinated system of support, integrating college readiness, financial aid, advising and career development. The program hopes to address the social and economic barriers to higher education for select students who demonstrate intellectual promise and financial need.