Learning Communities create the notion of a small campus, helping students get connected soon, and allowing them to connect with community. Learning Community members are exposed to a variety of departments and programs of study through to make connections from one program to another. This results in a more engaged learning environment and higher grades.

**What is a Learning Community?**

Learning Communities are "student-centered models" for the delivery of education that feature:

- Collaborative instructors
- A connected environment
- Greater student success
- Early access to faculty
- Enhanced possibility for self-fulfillment
- Rich and co-curricular activities that empower students
- A dedicated, supported, and engaged learning and teaching environment

This University location offers a variety of disciplines and programs of study allowing them to make connections among various departments.

**WHAT DISTINGUISHES CSU LEARNING COMMUNITIES?**

- Early student/student interaction and engagement
- Faculty, staff and students from diverse academic backgrounds
- Emphasis on diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Focus on personal, academic, and professional development
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**WHY PARTICIPATE IN A LEARNING COMMUNITY?**

Participating in a Learning Community provides a great opportunity to explore a variety of topics and to make meaningful connections among various departments.

**To Enroll:**

- Contact the Center for Academic Development and Support Services
- Complete the application and submit it to the Center for Academic Development and Support Services

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Cleveland State University Learning Communities for First-Year Students

**Fall 2008**

**Cities, Sanctuaries and Social Change**

This course will examine African American culture and its role in the development of urban society. The course will focus on the impact of African American history on contemporary society and the need for a more inclusive understanding of the African American experience.

**Course:**
- CS 101 – Introduction to University Life
- UST 202 – Cleveland Past, Present
- ASC 101 – Introduction to University Life
- MTH 087 – Basic Math and Algebra

**Energy and the City**

This course is an introduction to urban studies, focusing on the physical, social, and economic aspects of urbanization.

**Course:**
- CS 101 – Introduction to University Life
- UST 202 – Cleveland Past, Present
- ASC 101 – Introduction to University Life
- MTH 089 – Math Laboratory

**Images, Social Action and Change**

This course is an introduction to the social sciences, focusing on the social, economic, and political aspects of social change.

**Course:**
- CS 101 – Introduction to University Life
- UST 202 – Cleveland Past, Present
- ASC 101 – Introduction to University Life
- MTH 147 – Statistical Concepts

**Politics of the Global Marketplace**

This course is an introduction to the social sciences, focusing on the social, economic, and political aspects of globalization.

**Course:**
- CS 101 – Introduction to University Life
- UST 202 – Cleveland Past, Present
- ASC 101 – Introduction to University Life
- MTH 127 – Mathematics for Elementary/ Middle School Teachers

**Power, Passion and Privilege**

This course is an introduction to the social sciences, focusing on the social, economic, and political aspects of power and privilege.

**Course:**
- CS 101 – Introduction to University Life
- UST 202 – Cleveland Past, Present
- ASC 101 – Introduction to University Life
- MTH 260 – Introduction to Programming

**Science in Service to Society**

This course is an introduction to the social sciences, focusing on the social, economic, and political aspects of science and society.

**Course:**
- CS 101 – Introduction to University Life
- UST 202 – Cleveland Past, Present
- ASC 101 – Introduction to University Life
- MTH 367 – Honors Analytic Math

**Tribal Learning Communities**

This course is an introduction to the social sciences, focusing on the social, economic, and political aspects of tribal learning.

**Course:**
- CS 101 – Introduction to University Life
- UST 202 – Cleveland Past, Present
- ASC 101 – Introduction to University Life
- MTH 267 – Honors Analytic Math