

LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Your questions ANSWERED



Q. *Who can join a Learning Community?*

A. Learning Communities are open to all students who meet the course prerequisites. First-year students are encouraged to enroll in a Learning Community to gain a strong support network when starting college.

Q. *Can I take other courses while enrolled in a Learning Community?*

A. Yes, you may enroll in additional classes. Be sure to work with a counselor to ensure the classes you want to take meet your educational goals. The maximum number of units a student can take is 17.5. If you want to take more than that, you will need a counselor's approval.

Q. *Will the classes meet general education or my major requirements?*

A. The classes in Learning Communities vary so they meet your interests as well as your educational goals. Some Learning Communities have general education classes, some have transfer classes, and some have prerequisite classes. Talk to a counselor to determine if the Learning Community you are interested in will support your goals.

Q. *What if I can't or don't want to take one of the classes in the Learning Community?*

A. The purpose of a Learning Community is to develop a community of learners working together to achieve shared goals. Each learner contributes to achieving the goals by fully participating in *all* the group activities, which includes taking all the courses.

Find out more about Learning Communities

➤ For a current list of available Learning Communities, go to www.ohlone.edu/instr/learningcomms

➤ For more information, e-mail learningcommunities@ohlone.edu

*A World of Cultures
United in Learning*



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Learning Among Friends





What is a Learning Community?

A Learning Community is a group of two to four courses linked together so students can make connections between different subjects. Faculty collaborate to create common themes, assignments, and interactive projects. Students work together, support one another, and foster the success of their peers.

Being part of a Learning Community allows students to grow and learn as part of smaller social and academic communities within the larger Ohlone College setting.



Count the ways:

- Fulfill requirements for your major or to transfer
- Enroll in a convenient class schedule
- Develop lasting friendships with students who have similar interests
- Become more engaged in learning
- Interact with exceptional faculty
- Build a community with students from diverse backgrounds
- Make connections between different subjects
- Succeed in college!



Students weigh in on group learning



“ We’re a group, so we help each other out...we’re a team. ”

—Jagraj Singh, Undeclared

“ We study together in all our classes... Learning Communities help get you to the next level. ”

—Ryan Brocklesby, Computer Science

“ The teachers know us better—they know our strengths and weaknesses. ”

—Laura Beristianos, Nursing

“ If you get stuck in one class, you can ask for help in another class; we collaborate. ”

—Ashneel Singh, Business



Take a look at your options:

UNIVERSITY EXPRESS

This program is designed for first-year students who want to get on track to transfer to a four-year university.

PUEENTE

Puente is a transfer program consisting of three components: English, Counseling, and Mentoring. It offers leadership development, enrichment opportunities, and ongoing support.

ATHLETIC COHORTS

Groups of student athletes take classes together. Sports and athletics are used as subjects to help athletes increase critical thinking and writing skills.

SUCCESS IN ALGEBRA

This Learning Community is designed to help students conquer algebra and practice strategies for learning math.

ON WITH THE SHOW IN ENGLISH

Students improve their English communication skills through acting.

DEBATE TODAY’S ISSUES WITH TOMORROW’S LEADERS

Students debate current political issues in this exciting Learning Community combining a political science course with a speech class.

ON THE ROAD TO RESEARCH AND COLLEGE SUCCESS

All courses are taught online, which allows students the flexibility to learn from home.

