Living-Learning Community: Frequently Asked Questions

What does it mean to be in a L-LC?

- Most of what you do is the same as any other freshman but you will **also**
  - Have lunch with your World one day a week
  - Meet with your World once a week for fun, programs, study sessions, community service, etc.
  - Participate in All-World events once or twice a semester.

With all the special events and perks of being in a L-LC, does it cost extra to be in one?

- **No!** There is no special fee to be in a L-LC.

Do I do **everything** with my L-LC?

- **No!** L-LC members meet other friends, take other classes, join groups and participate in lots of other things at UAlbany. But being in a L-LC gives you a “home” where you will have friends and a support network.

What is the World “Discussion Section” that’s on my schedule (i.e. World lunch)?

- Your fall schedule has been customized so that you have discussion time slot to have lunch once a week with your L-LC friends and professor (and once in a while your advisor will join). Space is reserved for you all to meet weekly in one of our dining halls. Some Worlds meet together every week; in some of the larger Worlds, the professor meets small groups of freshmen for lunch and students rotate. You will learn more about your World lunch at your Orientation on Friday, August 21st.

What if I change my major, do I have to leave the L-LC?

- **No.** The L-LC is your home for your freshman year. Each L-LC will have its own dedicated academic advisor that you will get to meet with regularly during your first year. They will help you figure out what major is best for you. If you do end up changing your major and the spring classes we’ve picked for the L-LC no longer work for you, your advisor will help you develop your schedule for the spring semester that makes sense for you.
Are the L-LC events mandatory? What if I have a conflict with a L-LC event?

- Conflicts occur and not everyone makes it to every single L-LC event. But students should be committed to participating in the L-LC program, lunches, and meetings with the Community Assistants as much as they possibly can.

Are there leadership opportunities for me through the L-LC?

- Absolutely! In October, each World will select representatives to the All-World Council. Those members will help us develop all World events, improve the L-LC program, and take on leadership roles within their L-LC.
- At the end of your Freshman year, if you have demonstrated leadership and a commitment to the L-LC program, you can be selected to be a World Ambassador and help mentor incoming L-LC freshmen.
- Being active and engaged in a L-LC is viewed very favorably by the campus when selecting Residence Advisors (RAs), Orientation Advisors (OAs), Middle Earth peer educators and tour guides.

If I have friends starting as freshmen at UAlbany but they didn’t know about the program, can they still sign up to be in a L-LC?

- Yes! We have some spaces available in some L-LCs. They should go back into their housing application and see what L-LCs have space and sign up for one that interests them. Have them contact Darlene Poirier at dpoirier@albany.edu or call at (518) 442-5333.

I’m in a L-LC...now what?

- Be excited about being in a GREAT program with other students who want to be active and engaged!
- Start getting to know your L-LC friends and World Ambassadors over the summer via email and Facebook and come to campus ready to have fun and be an active part of your community.
- Move in on Friday, August 21st and your World officially begins at 7:00 pm with a special reception just for YOU!
- Saturday, August 22nd your World will get to know each other and the campus in an All-World Scavenger Hunt.