The Living-Learning Community application will become available to you when you apply for housing and Orientation as of early May.

Applying is as easy as 1 - 2 - 3!

1. Select the L-LC(s) you would like to join from the list of available communities for next fall.
2. Select your intended major (including “undecided”), so that the staff in Student Engagement can be sure your preferred and selected L-LC(s) will be a good fit for you academically.
3. Tell us why you would like to be a member of the L-LC you have chosen and how you can contribute to that community. You must agree to be active and engaged for the duration of your freshman year; the L-LC experience lasts for the fall and spring semester.

Students who are selected to be members of their chosen L-LC will be notified via their University at Albany e-mail beginning mid-June.

Questions about the L-LCs can be directed to Student Engagement at studentengagement@albany.edu.

General questions about housing and roommate assignments can be directed to the Department of Residential Life at reslife@albany.edu.

“Friendships are forged because of the L-LC, academic work gets done within the community, and a smooth transition from the ‘high school mindset’ to the ‘college mindset’ takes place naturally.”  
- Former World Ambassador
**World of Physics and the Environment**

The World of Physics and the Environment is designed for incoming freshmen who are interested in understanding the universe, or who want to get involved in research that will change industries like robotics, clean energy, and medical imaging. Members of the World of Physics and the Environment will socialize with like-minded peers, learn more about the field and related career paths, and be introduced to scholars with active and expanding research programs at the University at Albany in areas such as string theory, quantum theory, biophysics, and more. Members of the World of Physics and the Environment will participate in a variety of social and academic activities, such as:

- Review sessions and study groups
- ‘Society of Physics Students’ club events
- Organized tours of research laboratories
- Social gatherings with your friends, such as physics competitions and game show events
- Research seminars and guest speakers

*The World of Physics and the Environment is open to intended physics majors, atmospheric science majors, and math majors with a strong interest in physics and its impact on the world.*

**Living**

As a member of the World of Physics and the Environment, you will live with other incoming freshmen who share your interest in physics and its impact on the world.

**Learning**

You will take one or two of your classes together in the fall and spring semesters of your freshman year and attend co-curricular events together as a community.

**Community**

As a member of an L-LC, you will have a built-in community of friends from the start!

Friends: Study and socialize with fellow L-LC members. Tackle those first-year courses with your friends by forming study groups where you live!

World Ambassadors: “Learn the ropes” from peers selected from last year’s most engaged L-LC students.

Community Assistant: Meet weekly with an upper-class/graduate student to plan or attend social, academic, and community service events.

Lead Faculty Member: Get to know a member of the faculty outside of the classroom at meals in your own dining hall!

Academic Advisor: Each L-LC has its own Academic Advisor to help you plan your pathway to success.

Leadership Opportunities: Become a World Representative. Go on to assume a campus-wide leadership role.

**Responsibilities of L-LC Members**

- Register for the designated L-LC classes
- Attend lunch or dinner with the faculty mentor and weekly L-LC meetings and/or activities with the Community Assistant
- Participate in All World Events with the other L-LCs (typically two per semester)
- Participate in at least one community service project with your L-LC each semester
- Be a vital and engaged member of your L-LC and of the University at Albany community

For more information about the World of Physics and the Environment, including classes and activities, or to learn more about the responsibilities of being in an L-LC, please visit our website.

[www.albany.edu/student_engagement/living-learning/](http://www.albany.edu/student_engagement/living-learning/)

Recent national studies have shown that living-learning communities positively impact student success! Faculty interaction outside the classroom is directly linked to student satisfaction and enhanced learning.