



Fall 2009

College Foundations Learning Community

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What is a Learning Community?

A learning community is a schedule that links together several existing courses so that you will have increased contact with other students and professors in a learning environment. Learning communities are part of first-year experience programs designed to increase student satisfaction and self-awareness.

What are the advantages of a learning community?

- Customized schedule...done before 2 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday; done before noon on Friday; no classes on Tuesday and Thursday
- The learning community includes 11 hours toward full-time status; you only need to add 1 credit hour for full-time status OR add up to four additional credit hours and still pay the same tuition as someone taking 12 credit hours.
- An instant network of friends by taking the same three classes at the same time as other new students.
- Extra attention from your professors who will help you develop more effective ways to study.
- Workshops and activities to help you find additional resources on campus.
- Research shows that students in learning communities at the University of Akron do better in school than students not enrolled in learning communities.

What would my schedule look like?

You would be enrolled in Effective Oral Communications, Basic Writing, and Basic Math I or Basic Math II (depending on your COMPASS scores), with classes only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. This leaves Tuesday, Thursday, and the weekend for anything else you have planned.

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00 AM					
9:00 AM	Effective Oral Communication 9:00-9:50		Effective Oral Communication 9:00-9:50		Effective Oral Communication 9:00-9:50
10:00 AM	Basic Writing 10:00-11:40		Basic Writing 10:00-11:40		Study Groups, workshops or meetings with professors or tutors
11:00 AM					
12:00 PM	Basic Math I or Basic Math II 12:00-1:40		Basic Math I or Basic Math II 12:00-1:40		
1:00 PM					
2:00 PM					
3:00 PM					