Learning Communities Monthly



Happy Fall, Friends!

I hope that this semester has started off as you have hoped, and that your Learning Community students are building community and thriving.

The Learning Community Program hosted over 120 peer mentors at our August Training (and the two subsequent training make-up days in September). Each session with mentors was a great opportunity to build connection and support. We found this year's peer mentors to be more engaged than expected. Some of the emerging themes in our conversations were creating inclusion, respecting diversity, providing increased support for mental health, and building relationships across LCs. This year, the peer mentors have created a WhatsApp group chat for ALL peer mentors to join. If peer mentors are looking for the link to join the group chat, please email amypotter@wayne.edu.

Our project coordinator, Amy Potter, hosted the first monthly professional development session for peer mentors on September 30th. We had a great conversation about values and how we can infuse our values into our LC work. The schedule of upcoming professional development sessions is included in this newsletter. We hope to see many peer mentors throughout the semester at these sessions. LC Coordinators, please remind your mentors when these sessions are coming up! And remember participation in these events allows mentors to earn additional hours toward their IPTPC certification.

LC Coordinators met at our monthly meeting on Thursday, September 29th. We talked about how things were going in the LCs so far this semester, and we shared information about upcoming LC events. The schedule for upcoming LC Coordinator meetings is included in this newsletter.

We are starting the process of transferring LC funds for the 2022-23 academic year. Many thanks to those who have already submitted your LC cohorts for this semester. If you have not already done so, please provide your LC cohort list as soon as possible, as we are not able to transfer your 2022-23 funding until your cohorts are in hand. Mostly, I look forward to working with each of you this year. Please let me know how I can be of assistance, I am happy to help.

Yours in community,

Amy Cooper Manager of the Learning Community Program

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LC Program Fall 2022 Events:

LC Coordinator Meetings 10/18 at 3 pm 11/16 at 11 am

Coordinator Zoom Information: <u>Zoom Link</u> Meeting ID: 964 4013 0146 Password: LC2022

Peer Mentor Professional Development Series

10/20 at 3 pm Week of November 1st – TBA Week of November 14th – TBA

PM Sessions Zoom Information: Zoom Link Meeting ID: 987 5374 7998 Password: PM2022

11/17-19 – National Learning Community Conference

Phoenix, Arizona | More information here!

12/1 – LC Program Drop-in 11am-2pm

LC Event Spotlight

Center for Latino/a and Latin American Studies

El Mercado Tuesday, October 11th 12 noon to 3 pm Student Center 7th Floor

Come enjoy **free** tacos while shopping jewelry, art and clothing from WSU student vendors!!

*Raffle for first 20 people



Upcoming Campus Events

Coming Out Week October 10th – October 14th More information found here: <u>https://pride.wayne.edu/coming-out-week</u>

Student Success Workshops

October 19th at 1 pm Topic: Career Services Resources and Tools

October 19th at 2 pm Topic: Don't Ask Me to Talk: Managing Communication Anxiety

October 20th at 6 pm Topic: Mindful about Mindfulness

RSVP and find the full schedule of workshops here: <u>https://success.wayne.edu/workshops/listing</u>

Career Planning Workshops

Session for Freshmen & Sophomores 10/6 from 2-3pm: <u>Handshake & Get Involved</u>

Session for Juniors & Seniors 10/13 from 2-3pm: <u>Handshake</u> & <u>Get Involved</u>

Other Resources CAPS Let's Talk

Let's Talk is a program that provides Wayne State University students with the opportunity to seek free, private, *virtual* drop-in consultations via Zoom with a professional counselor from Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS).

The weekly schedule of sessions can be found here: <u>https://caps.wayne.edu/outreach/lets-talk</u>

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