

Learning Communities Monthly



Happy Summer Everyone!

The Learning Community Program staff hopes everyone is staying safe and healthy. We want to make sure that all members in our community know they are supported and if anyone needs help, please feel free to reach out to us. These last few months have been challenging, but we will be able to get through this together.

The Learning Community Program has been busy this summer, building support for our LCs, Peer Mentors and students as we continue to develop online instruction. Here are a few of the projects we have been working on:

- School of Medicine LC PM training
- MedDirect LC PM training
- Warrior VIP LC PM training
- Kick Start PM hiring and training
- APEX Scholars Summer Bridge Program Welcome
- New Student Orientation support
- Community Dialogue Circles (hosted by Associate Provost for Diversity & Inclusion/Chief Diversity Officer)
- Collaboration with Student Services partners to create workshops and professional development for 2020 PMs
- August PM training planning

A Trip Down Memory Lane



Our peer mentors couldn't stop smiling at last year's peer mentor training, as they discussed Connection Before Content!



Learning Community Lane during Festifall 2019 was an opportunity for students to meet our wonderful LC coordinators



Program Manager Amy Cooper and Project Coordinator Amy Novotny welcomed everyone to Peer Mentor Training 2019.

Learning Community Program

Updates:

Promoting Learning Communities on the new Wisser Warriors Platform!

Wisser Warriors (Wiser) is a new platform adopted by Admissions to help outreach with Wayne State's incoming freshman and transfer students. The Learning Community Program has a community page to promote our LCs to incoming students. Send us any flyers you have for your individual LC and we will be sure to feature them in our group.

August Peer Mentor Training to be on August 24th and 25th!

We are planning for August PM Training and things will look different this year. As you hire your peer mentors for 2020-21, please inform them of these training dates, as we intend to host synchronous training sessions on these dates. As we finalize details for August Training, we will provide updates via email!

LC Coordinator Kick Off Meeting will be held on Friday, August 21st

We are hosting two Zoom sessions, at 10:00 am and 1:00 pm, to accommodate as many schedules as possible. Each LC Coordinator will only need to attend one of these sessions. Check email for additional details.

Countdown for Fall

Peer Mentor Training: 50 Days!
(Woohoo!!)

Fall Classes Commence: 56 Days!

Labor Day: 61 Days!

Fall Semester will be here sooner than we know it, we want to make sure you guys are prepared for an awesome semester!

Kick Start Program

The Learning Community Program has teamed up with Enrollment Management, as well as the English and Communication departments, to support the new, eight-week Kick Start Program for incoming freshman. Students in the program are taking COM 1010, ENG 1010, ENG 1020, or ENG 3010 during the Summer 2020 semester. Each course section has been paired peer mentors to help build community online and guide these new WSU students through the transitional process from high school seniors to college freshman. The LC Program is grateful to several of our communities for recommending their rockstar mentors to work with this program this summer.

Welcome Kick Start Peer Mentors!

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Amra Lekic

Aroita Canolli

Brandon Brown

Chell Robinson

Chukwudi Okechukwu

Dalas Stewart

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