

# FIRST YEAR PROGRAMS & LEARNING COMMUNITIES (FYPLC)

First Year Experience (FYE) • Learning Communities (LC) • Academic Achievement Center (AAC) • Innovation Zone Makerspace (IZ)

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## FYE Courses (1-credit)

- ✓ **UNIV 1800: FYE University Learning Skills.** *An overview of the university experience with a focus on acquiring learning skills & understanding resources available for academic success*
  - Advisors encourage enrollment in this course if a student is not enrolled in UNIV 1810 (LC) or UNIV 1784 (Honors)
  - Sections for populations: 001-099 Traditional FYE except 040-041 (Veterans) and 095 (Commuters), 280-285 International (RC Code) and 286-289 BUS International (enrolled by BUS) | 290-299 First Gen (RC Code)
- ✓ **UNIV 1810: FYE Learning Community Seminar.** *An intro to the university & to the theme of the LC. Students enroll in Fall & Spring. (LLC sophomores members enroll in UNIV 3820 or EPSY 3098-Public Health House)*
  - **Living/LCs:** students admitted to LLCs are pre-enrolled in LC course(s) before Orientation or after they are added to LLC; **courses have Drop Consent** on them because they are required: reach out to Sara Dahlen with any issues
  - **Non-Residential LCs (FYE courses within a major or for a topic; students don't live together):** Sara Dahlen connects with advisors to determine how they will enroll students during Orientation; reach out to Sara if you need permission #'s
- ✓ **UNIV 1784: Freshman Honors Seminar.** *For students admitted into Honors Program; enrolled during Orientation by Honors staff*



## Additional FYE Courses (1-credit)

- ✓ **UNIV 1820: First Year Seminar.** *Guided research or reading, discussion & writing on topics of professional interest to the instructor. Course materials promote independent learning & active engagement in the academic life of the university*
  - Advisors encourage enrollment in these courses; some sections are reserved for students in particular programs
  - See <https://fye.uconn.edu/fall-classes/> for list of options, share with students
- ✓ **UNIV 1840: LC Service-Learning.** *Activities, discussions & critical reflections related to service-learning, community engagement &/or experiential learning activities specific to the theme of a LC. LC students take in Fall & Spring.*
  - **EcoHouse & Public Health House** students are pre-enrolled before Orientation – *Human Rights & Action House will no longer have the LC Service-Learning UNIV 1840 component*

**Would you, or a staff member you know on campus, be a great FYE Instructor and/or UConn Connects Mentor?**

FYP/LC/AAC/IZ programs are designed to personalize & enrich the UConn student experience within a culture of support. Training is offered to support staff in teaching & coaching students through these rewarding professional development activities that can inform your work, no matter what your role at UConn.

Apply at <https://FYE.uconn.edu> click FYE Instructors, New Instructor Sign-up  
and/or at <https://ACHIEVE.uconn.edu>, click UConn Connects, Become a Faculty/Staff Mentor



\*focus on success of Black women

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\*\*\*Women in Math, Science, & Engineering

Living/Learning Communities (LLC)		Learning Communities (LC)
Interdisciplinary LLC (open to all majors)	Major/Program LLC (for students admitted)	Cohort-based FYE Courses (enroll during Orientation)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Arts House+</li> <li>▪ BSOUL House (<i>Black Sisters Optimizing Unity&amp;Leadership</i>)*</li> <li>▪ EcoHouse</li> <li>▪ First Gen House</li> <li>▪ Global House</li> <li>▪ Human Rights &amp; Action</li> <li>▪ Humanities House</li> <li>▪ Innovation House</li> <li>▪ La Comunidad Intelectual</li> <li>▪ Leadership House</li> <li>▪ Public Health House</li> <li>▪ SCHOLA<sup>2</sup>RS House (Scholastic House of Leaders in support of African American Researchers &amp; Scholars)**</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Business Connections House</li> <li>▪ Engineering House</li> <li>▪ Nursing House</li> <li>▪ Pharmacy House</li> <li>▪ WiMSE House***</li> </ul> <p><b>Regional Campus LCs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Business Connections, STAM</li> <li>▪ Ideas &amp; Impact, WTBY</li> <li>▪ La Comunidad, STAM/WTBY</li> </ul> <p><b>Other Specialty Housing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Honors Program (<i>1<sup>st</sup>-yr Honors students required to live here</i>)</li> <li>▪ Specialty Housing (<i>Gender Inclusive, Veterans, Wellness, etc.</i>)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Major/Program:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Allied Health</li> <li>▪ Animal Science</li> <li>▪ CAPS Program</li> <li>▪ Chemistry</li> <li>▪ Communication</li> <li>▪ English</li> <li>▪ Exploratory (ACES)</li> <li>▪ Kinesiology</li> <li>▪ Nursing</li> <li>▪ Nutritional Sciences</li> <li>▪ <b>Physiology &amp; Neurobiology</b></li> <li>▪ Pre-Journalism</li> <li>▪ Psychological Sciences</li> </ul> <p><b>Topic:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>BOSS LADI</b></li> <li>▪ Finding Life Purpose</li> </ul>

**Non-Residential LC Courses.** *Help promote these to students!* Descriptions: <https://lc.uconn.edu/non-residential/>

### LLC First Year Course Clusters, Storrs

- ✓ **ENGL 1007.** Students w/ECE credit do not enroll; students waiting to hear @AP credit do not have to enroll.
  - There are ENGL 1007 sections for Business Connections House (2) & English LC (1); [advisors enroll students](#)
- ✓ **HRTS 1007.** 1 sec. has seats for Human Rights & Action H.; students will be pre-enrolled (may be offered in FA or SP)
- ✓ **COMM 1000.** 3 sections have seats for Business Connections students; [advisors enroll student](#)

### Living/Learning Community Basics

- ✓ **New LC Members Website:** <https://LC.uconn.edu/newmembers>
- ✓ New Students **apply** for a LLC on the **UConn Housing Application**, <https://lc.uconn.edu/apply-now/>
  - 1<sup>st</sup>-year student selection is randomized; **eligibility:** must be eligible for housing; Major LCs: must be admitted in major
  - **LC Identifier in Nexus:** as students are added to LCs, it will be noted in Nexus; students will continue to be added over summer
  - **Honors LC:** 1<sup>st</sup>-year students admitted into the Honors Program are **required to live** in the Honors 1<sup>st</sup>-yr Res. Comm.
- ✓ **Please highlight LCs serving student populations in any major:** BSOUL House (in support of Black women), Global House, La Comunidad Intelectual, SCHOLA<sup>2</sup>RS House (in support of Black men); *let students know they have options, including a major-based LC, if applicable, or interdisciplinary LCs that fit their interests*
- ✓ **LC students should NOT enroll in UNIV 1800** (*UNIV 1810 is their LC-FYE class*)
- ✓ A student admitted into a Living/Learning Community can also enroll in a Non-residential LC FYE class (so can Honors)
- ✓ All LLCs have 1<sup>st</sup>- & 2<sup>nd</sup>-year students. Incoming Transfer students can **apply** if they'll be 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>-year
- ✓ If student wants to apply after submitting Housing App, they email [LiveLearn@uconn.edu](mailto:LiveLearn@uconn.edu): Name, UConnID, LC choice
- ✓ **Students submit a LLC Commitment Form to accept the LC offer, which commits them for the year; they can't drop out**
- ✓ **Call Sara Dahlen (860-486-6534) with any issues; LC classes are REQUIRED & are a critical part of the LC experience**

## UConn Innovation Zone Makerspace

Tools, Equipment, & Guidance for Students, Faculty, & Staff  
to Inspire, Create, & Innovate!

Experiential Learning	Leadership & Development	Community Building
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Student-led Skillshares / Customized Workshops</li> <li>▪ Open Hours</li> <li>▪ UNIV 1820: Intro to Making</li> <li>▪ Events, Curriculum-based Projects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Makerspace Fellows</li> <li>▪ Maker Specialists</li> <li>▪ Student Employees</li> <li>▪ Maker Mentors</li> <li>▪ Training, Pro-Development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Diverse, inclusive environment to explore &amp; create</li> <li>▪ Develop innovators &amp; changemakers</li> <li>▪ UConn's entrepreneurial pipeline</li> </ul>