

# Learning Communities

If you are interested in creating a Learning Community and have questions about how to get one started, contact: Jennifer Martin, AMBCS Division Secretary, extension: 2154.

**FORMS DUE to the AMBCS Division no later than: Thursday, May 7, 2009**

## Definition of a Learning Community:

A Learning Community is an enriched learning experience linking different courses within the Palomar College Catalog around a central theme or question. The linked classes in learning communities are designed to be taken together by the same group of students. Learning communities are designed to connect students to each other, to their teachers, to the college, and to their educational goals.

## Developing and Scheduling the Learning Community:

1. Professors work together to determine which classes will be included in their Learning Community.
2. When the class scheduling information is sent out to departments, a Learning Community worksheet will be included. Professors may obtain the worksheet from the department chair/director or ADA, or by contacting Jennifer Martin, extension 2154. ADAs are to input class schedule data as usual.
3. Submit the LC worksheet along with a completed copy of your narrative, and accompanying Schedule Information Sheets (SIS) to Jennifer Martin, AMBCS Division office by: Thursday, May 7, 2009.

*Even if all the classes are in a division different from Arts, Media, Business and Computing Systems Division, the worksheet, narrative and SIS sheets must be submitted to the AMBCS Division office.*

## Example #1 of a completed Learning Community narrative:

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### LC Summer Theatre Intensive

4 units

Summer Theatre Intensive is an immersion, actor training program for students who are committed to developing the full capacity of their body, voice, mind and imagination as an instrument for creating compelling and powerful theatre. The program will include classes in Vocal Technique, Physicalization, Scene Work and Ensemble. Participants will experience the foundations of American actor training based on the Actors Studio's innovations on Stanislavski and the vocal training of Kristin Linklater as well as emerging techniques of physical theatre based on Michael Chekhov, Jacques LeCoq, Viewpoints and other contemporary approaches to actor training. The session will culminate in an informal demonstration and performance.

June 22 – July 17, 2009

Monday – Friday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM (plus two evening performances at the end of the session)

Performance Lab D-10

Faculty: Francis Gercke, Annie Hinton, Kree Fieldsa and John Polak

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**To enroll in a learning community, place all classes in the group into your on line "shopping cart." Click "enroll" to be registered in each of these classes. For additional assistance when enrolling, call the Admissions helpline at ext. 2164.**

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TA 197F Summer Theatre Int.1: Text and Action (1.0 units)  
51278 TBA HBT-15 GERCKE, F LAB  
Arrange 48 hours.

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TA 197F Summer Theatre Int.2: Physical Theatre (1.0 units)  
51279 TBA HBT-15 FIELDSA, K LAB  
Arrange 48 hours.

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TA 197F Summer Theatre Int.3: The Actors Voice (1.0 units)  
51280 TBA HBT-15 HINTON, L LAB  
Arrange 48 hours.

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TA 197F Summer Theatre Int.4: Total Actor (1.0 units)  
51281 TBA HBT-15 POLAK, JLAB  
Arrange 48 hours.

## Example #2 of a completed Learning Community narrative:

### Learning Communities: Innovation in Education

#### What are they?

- Learning communities are linked classes that allow you to take related subjects (such as math, English, and reading) as you receive personalized assistance from tutors and counselors.
- The linked classes in learning communities are designed to be taken together by the same group of students.
- Learning communities are designed to connect students to each other, to their teachers, to the college, and to their educational goals.

#### Why should you sign up for a learning community?

- Students who participate in learning communities often complete more units and earn a higher GPA than students who do not.
- Students in learning communities form relationships with instructors, tutors, counselors and other students that serve as a support system as they complete their college classes.
- Students complete the classes that are critical for college success early in their college careers.

#### Foundational Skills Learning Communities Fall 2009

The following courses in each group are linked and must be taken concurrently. To participate, you must enroll in every course in the group that you choose. To enroll in a learning community, place all classes in the group into your on line “shopping cart.” Click “enroll” to be registered in each of these classes. For additional assistance when enrolling, call the Admissions helpline at ext. 2164.

##### Foundational Skills LC 1

71899	Reading 50—Reading Improvement (Arrange 3 hour per week)	8:00-9:20 a.m. TBA	MW	4 units	Carrillo	RC-3 RC-1
72034	Math 15—Pre Algebra	9:30-10:50 a.m.	MW	3 units	Clark	NS-259
71887	English 10—English Essentials	12:00-1:50 p.m.	TTh	4 units	O’Doherty	MB-5
73887	Counseling 197—Freshman Seminar	11:00-11:50 a.m.	T	1 unit	Staff	B-4

##### Foundational Skills LC 2

72036	Math 15—Pre Algebra	8:00-9:20 a.m.	TTh	3 units	Ellis	E-7
71901	Reading 50—Reading Improvement (Arrange 3 hour per week)	9:30-10:50 a.m. TBA	TTh	4 units	Musgrove	RF-1 RC-1
71884	English 10—English Essentials	1:00-2:50 p.m.	MW	4 units	Cory	NS-140
73885	Counseling 197—Freshman Seminar	12:00-12:50 p.m.	M	1 unit	Staff	NA-2

##### Foundational Skills LC 3

71874	English 10—English Essentials	7:30-9:20 a.m.	MW	4 units	Gowen	P-9
71897	Reading 50—Reading Improvement (Arrange 3 hours per week)	12:30-1:50 p.m. TBA	MW	4 units	Carrillo	RC-3 RC-1
73884	Counseling 197—Freshman Seminar	9:30-10:20 a.m.	M	1 unit	Staff	MB-9

##### Foundational Skills LC 4

71898	Reading 50—Reading Improvement (Arrange 3 hours per week)	11-12:20 p.m. TBA	TTh	4 units	Thomson	RC-3 RC-1
72046	Math 15—Pre Algebra	12:30-1:50 p.m.	TTh	3 units	Snow	NA-2
73886	Counseling 197	10:00-10:50 a.m.	T	1 unit	Staff	NS-258

##### Foundational Skills LC 5

71978	ESL 36—Intermediate ESL III	8:30-10:50 a.m.	M-Th	3 units	Sivert	A-19
73881	Counseling 197	11:00-11:50 a.m.	M	1 unit	Staff	MB-4

##### Foundational Skills LC 6 (Escondido)

71011	English 50—Introductory Composition	8:15-10:05 a.m.	MW	4 units	Minkowski	ESC-701
71838	Math 50—Beginning Algebra	10:15-12:05 p.m.	MW	4 units	Brock	ESC-303
73880	Counseling 197	12:30-1:20 p.m.	M	1 unit	Staff	ESC-403