

## Bearkat Learning



### Freshman Learning Communities: A Student Success Initiative

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### Quick Facts

- Students in a living-learning community attend two to three classes together each semester;
- This is a residential learning community; students in this program are grouped in the same residence hall;
- For more information, visit our [FAQs page](#).

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The Bearkat Learning Community (BLC) is a program designed for incoming freshmen who want to take full advantage of their university experience. In BLC, students take two to three classes together each semester. In the fall, BLC students complete the BLC Challenge, a six session program that encourages students to think deeply about their reasons for attending college, to visualize accomplishments for their four years and to identify resources, attitudes, and opportunities that will help them to have a meaningful college experience. Throughout the school year, they have the option of participating in additional extracurricular, social, educational, and community service programs.

### Living in BLC

88 BLC students live together in Lone Star Hall, a coed residence hall.

## Applying to BLC

### What are the requirements for admission to BLC?

In order to participate in the BLC program, students must be accepted to SHSU, have a completed Housing Application and \$200 deposit on file, and fill out a separate BLC application.

In addition to the application, students must schedule an interview with the Program Coordinator or attach an essay.

### What are the specifics of the essay?

The essay must be a single, typed page and should respond to the following prompt: BLC is an opportunity for students who are committed to personal and academic success in college. Please 1) explain why you want to participate in this program, 2) how you can contribute to the community, and 3) your current strategies for academic success.

### How do I apply to BLC?

Applications may be picked up at a Saturdays @ Sam Information Session, at New Student Orientation, and at various offices on-campus. You may download the application using the "Apply Now" link above.

## 2017-2018 Courses

Fall Courses	Spring Courses
Choose one of the four options below:	Choose one of the four options below:
UNIV 1301.80 (CRN 83082) + BIOL 1408.99 (CRN 83925)	ENGL 1302.13 (CRN 20037)
UNIV 1301.81 (CRN 83083) + ENGL 1301.99 (CRN 83922)	BIOL 1436.06 (CRN 23802)
UNIV 1301.82 (CRN 83085) + HIST 1301.99 (CRN 83924)	SOCI 2319.10 (CRN 20406) + GEOG 1401.01 (CRN 20091)
UNIV 1301.83 (CRN 83084) + ENGL 1301.90 (CRN 83926)	SOCI 2319.10 (CRN 20406) + HIST 1302.29 (CRN 21160)