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Freshman Learning Community

The Freshman Learning Community (FLC) at Sam Houston State University gives freshmen a unique opportunity to become more familiar with the necessary academic and social skills to be successful. FLC students share a dynamic undergraduate experience that will prove invaluable in the workplace or graduate work.

The FLC cohorts are non-residential learning communities. The FLC differs from the Bearkat Learning Community (BLC) in that the BLC has a residential (living) component, and the FLC does not. Students in the FLC take a structured, two-semester sequence of three common courses among their other courses. There will be six FLC cohorts in 2007-2008: **Agriculture & Industrial Technology, BioMath, Business, Career Development, Criminal Justice, Education, and SAM.** Each cohort will be capped at 25 students.

Benefits of learning communities include meeting a group of friends quickly, having opportunities to establish strong study groups, sharing connected educational experiences, enhancing leadership skills by working collaboratively, and feeling empowered through being part of decision-making while achieving your educational and social goals.

Agriculture & Industrial Technology Cohort

(for incoming freshmen interested in a career in agricultural sciences or industrial technology)

<u>Fall Common Courses</u>	<u>CID</u>	<u>Class Time</u>	<u>Spring Common Courses</u>
SAM 136W.70 – Introduction to Collegiate Studies	6780	TTh 5-6:20	POL 261 - Principles of American Government – National & State
AGR 164.70 – Principles of Agricultural Economics	7288	MW 7:30-8:50	AGR 165 – Plant Science
OR			
IT 139.70 – Introduction to Computer-Aided Design Lecture & Lab	7298 & 7299	MW 8-8:50 & F 8-8:50	IT 161 – Engineering Graphics
HIS 163.70 – US History to 1876	7293	MWF 11-11:50	HIS 164 – US History since 1876

BioMath Cohort

(for incoming freshmen majoring in Biology or majoring in Mathematics with a Biology minor)

<u>Fall Common Courses</u>	<u>CID</u>	<u>Class Time</u>	<u>Spring Common Courses</u>
SAM 136W.71 – Introduction to Collegiate Studies	6784	TTh 12:30-1:50	POL 261 – Principles of American Government – National & State
MTH 142.70 – Calculus I	7295	MW 10-10:50	MTH 143 – Calculus II
BIO 161.70 – General Botany	7290	TTh 9:30-10:50	BIO 162 – General Zoology
BIO 111.70 – General Botany Lab	7289	MWF 11-11:50	BIO 112 – General Zoology Lab
		W 2-4:50	

Business Cohort

(for incoming freshmen interested in majoring in business)

<u>Fall Common Courses</u>	<u>CID</u>	<u>Class Time</u>	<u>Spring Common Courses</u>
SAM 136W.77 – Introduction to Collegiate Studies	6786	TTh 3:30-4:50	GBA 180 – Electronic Communications Techniques
HIS 163.70 – US History to 1876	7293	MWF 11-11:50	HIS 164 – US History since 1876
ENG 164W.71 – Composition I	7410	MWF 10-10:50	ENG 165W – Composition II

Career Development Cohort

(for incoming freshmen interested in exploring majors and career options)

<u>Fall Common Courses</u>	<u>CID</u>	<u>Class Time</u>	<u>Spring Common Courses</u>
SAM 136W.76 – Introduction to Collegiate Studies	6774	MWF 12-12:50	POL 261 – Principles of American Government – National & State
HIS 163.70 – US History to 1876	7293	MWF 11-11:50	HIS 164 – US History since 1876
ENG 164W.71 – Composition I	7410	MWF 10-10:50	ENG 165W – Composition II

Criminal Justice Cohort

(for incoming freshmen interested in majoring in criminal justice)

<u>Fall Common Courses</u>	<u>CID</u>	<u>Class Time</u>	<u>Spring Common Courses</u>
SAM 136W.74 – Introduction to Collegiate Studies	6866	TTh 12:30-1:50	MUS 264 – History of Rock, Jazz, & Popular Music
CJ 261W.70 – Introduction to the Criminal Justice System	7291	MWF 8-8:50	CJ 262W – Criminology
HIS 163.70 – US History to 1876	7293	MWF 11-11:50	HIS 164 – US History since 1876

Education Cohort

(for incoming freshmen interested in a career in teaching)

<u>Fall Common Courses</u>	<u>CID</u>	<u>Class Time</u>	<u>Spring Common Courses</u>
SAM 136W.73 – Introduction to Collegiate Studies	6862	TTh 9:30-10:50	CS 138 – Multimedia & Network Computing
HIS 163.70 – US History to 1876	7293	MWF 11-11:50	HIS 164 – US History since 1876
ENG 164W.70 – Composition I	7292	MWF 10-10:50	ENG 165W – Composition II

Success and Math (SAM) Cohort

(for incoming freshmen interested in succeeding in basic mathematics)

<u>Fall Common Courses</u>	<u>CID</u>	<u>Class Time</u>	<u>Spring Common Courses</u>
SAM 136W.75 – Introduction to Collegiate Studies	7297	TTh 2-3:20	CS 133 – Introduction to Computers
MTH 032.70 – Developmental Mathematics II	7294	MWF 9-9:50	MTH 164 – College Mathematics
MUS 161.70 – Introduction to Study of Music	7296	TTh 9:30-10:50	POL 261 – Principles of American Government – National & State

If you are interested in applying to be in one of the FLC cohorts, please complete the following application and agreement.

[Application and Agreement](#) (MS Word)

[Application and Agreement](#) (PDF - need Adobe Acrobat)

For more information, contact the [First-Year Experience](#).