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## Learning Communities

KU will offer two pilot living learning communities in Fall 2012 to explore the benefits of cohort enrollment.

First-year students who progress as cohorts achieve better success and retention. An effective mechanism is block enrollment in first-year classes, so that students as a group attend two or more of the same courses. The resulting student interactions often lead to effective study groups, help bridge social and academic activities, and encourage interdisciplinary explorations.

### The Mount Oread Experience

This living learning community for students in the Mount Oread Scholars Program will explore the benefits of student enrollment in a small seminar linked to a large general education course.

- **Number of students involved:** 60 total divided into three sections of 20 students each
- **Residence Hall:** GSP (Gertrude Sellards Pearson)
- **Courses:** LA&S seminar on the topic of community linked to one of the following three courses

1. AMS 110: American Identities, Prof. Randal Jelks

2. LING 110: Language and the Mind, Prof. Joan Sereno

3. FMS 100: Introduction to the Film Medium, Prof. Kevin Willmott

### Honors Learning Community: Current Trends in Health and Health Related Fields

The Honors Freshman Learning Community aims to ensure a smooth transition for

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students both academically and socially. Such a goal will be facilitated by the proximity of the students' experience in classes and living arrangements (the Freshman Seminar is to be taught in Templin Hall), as well as by the proximity of the Honors Program in Nunemaker Center across the street.

- **Number of students involved:** 12
- **Residence Hall:** Templin
- **Courses taken by all 12 LC students:** Honors Freshman Seminar (HNRS 190), Biology (BIOL 150) and English (ENGL 105 designed to explore the topic of healthcare)
- **Courses taken in combination by LC participants:** Chemistry (CHEM 184/185) and Math (Math 115/121).

Co-curricular programs on health related issues will include networking with Honors alumni in health fields and meeting with healthcare providers.

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## First-Year Experience Faculty Fellow

The Office of First-Year Experience (FYE) is seeking a tenured or tenure track faculty member to serve as a faculty fellow. The faculty fellow will work with the FYE staff and campus partners on the design of new initiatives related to goal 1 of Bold Aspirations—Strengthening recruitment, teaching, and mentoring to prepare undergraduate students for lifelong learning, leadership, and success. In particular, the faculty fellow will contribute to the development of a campus plan to expand learning communities.

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## Bold Aspirations

*Bold Aspirations* is the strategic plan for KU, comprising individual plans for the following:

- 📄 [University Strategic Planning](#)
- 📄 [Strategic Plan for the Lawrence & Edwards Campuses](#)
  - 📄 [2012-2013 Annual Report](#)
  - 📄 [2011-2012 Annual Report](#)

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*Oct*  
**20** [Bold Aspirations Visitor and Lecture Series: Dr. Kelvin K. Drogemeier, University of Oklahoma](#)  
10:00 am

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**21** [Bold Aspirations Visitor and Lecture Series: Cecelia Menjivar, Arizona State University](#)  
03:30 pm

*Oct*  
**28** [Bold Aspirations Visitor and Lecture Series: Louise Shelley, George Mason University](#)

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03:30 pm

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KU student George Mullinix drove through campus last week and captured one of our beautiful sunsets in a time-lapse video. Featuring our beloved Campanile, it's a great reminder of why we are all here. #exploreKU



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