



# HEALTH SCIENCE EXPLORERS

## LEARNING COMMUNITY

SEE YOUR  
**Future**  
IN A HEALTHCARE PROFESSION



### Requirements for Participation in the Health Science Learning Community

- Willingness to live and participate in this structured community, enroll in HSCI 130 and attend regular meetings.
- By March 1
  - Be fully admitted to UNK
  - Complete housing application
  - Complete Learning Community application



### RESIDENTIAL LEARNING COMMUNITY FOR HEALTH SCIENCES

**Are you interested in a career in the health sciences? Do you want to learn more about health care professions? Would you like support and guidance as you transition to college to ensure your success?**

UNK Health Sciences, in partnership with the Central Nebraska Area Health Education Center (AHEC), is pleased to offer a **one-year** residential Learning Community opportunity for students interested in health care careers.

- **Living-Learning Community:** Fifty students will be given the opportunity to participate in this unique living-learning experience in Centennial Towers West (CTW) at UNK.
- **Health Career Services:** Students will enroll in HSCI 130 – *Opportunities in Health Sciences* for one credit hour in the fall semester that will allow them to explore health careers, network with health professionals, and have shadowing opportunities.
- **Mentoring:** Students will also be assigned to an upperclassman health science student that lives in the community and serves as a mentor. Students will participate in weekly meetings with their mentoring group.
- **Academic and Professional Development:** The curriculum is designed to provide students with the tools and skills to succeed in college as well as professional development experiences.

### Why should you consider a learning community?

You will have a ready-made study group who are taking the same classes, and with whom you share interests. Your mentor will be involved in your learning community and able to support your transition to college. Finally, members of learning communities nationwide earn higher GPAs, and have a better chance of success than their peers!

## HEALTH SCIENCE CAREERS

Cardiovascular Perfusion  
Chiropractic  
Clinical Laboratory Sciences  
Dental Hygiene  
Dentistry  
Health Information Management  
Medical Technology  
Medicine (MD)  
Mortuary Science  
Nuclear Medicine Technology  
Nursing  
Occupational Therapy  
Optometry  
Pharmacy  
Physical Therapy  
Physician Assistant  
Podiatry  
Radiography  
Respiratory Therapy

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### HOW CAN I APPLY FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY?

**Deadline for application is March 1st.**

Apply at: [unk.edu/hslc](http://unk.edu/hslc)

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### Does this opportunity come with scholarship money?

Unfortunately, no. If you are also a candidate for a non-major based residential program (Thompson Scholars or the Honors Program), scholarship funding may be attached to that program and therefore, it may be a better opportunity for you. However, you will need to choose the community that is right for you.

#### Do I have to live on campus?

For this opportunity, yes. You must live on campus in the assigned residence hall.

#### What if I want to room with a friend who won't be in this learning community?

To participate in this Learning Community, you will need to be roommates with another member of the Learning Community.

#### What if I decide I don't want to continue in the health sciences and change my major?

Your health science advisor will assist you in making the change. However, your room assignment is for the whole year and we will not ask you to change rooms.

#### What about the spring?

You will continue with the mentoring program and the Learning Community curriculum throughout the spring semester. However, there are no required courses in the spring.



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