Learning Communities

What is a Learning Community?

A learning community offers you guaranteed enrollment in a combination of classes with a special theme or focus. It is a supportive learning environment where you will build lasting friendships with the others in your cohort (group), while you get the assistance and guidance you need to achieve your goals. There are different types of learning communities at Cabrillo College, and one of them may be perfect for you! Call the Learning Communities Center (LCC) at (831) 477-3340 Hours: Monday-Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Location: Room 501 (Aptos campus). Website: cabrillolearning.org

Why Should I Be a Part of One?

STARS First Year Experience

Students Transitioning in Academics and Reaching Success

STARS helps you succeed in your first year in college as you prepare for transfer-level coursework! Take required math and English courses along with a college success seminar as you progress toward your AA/AS degree, certificate or transfer. Get extra assistance with math and the information and support you need to stay on track with your goals.

THEMES:
Successful transition to college; math and English sequence.

For more information, see the STARS website:
www.cabrillostars.org
or call Eric Grabiel at (831) 477-3340

STARS gives first year students the following:
• Strategies and skills to successfully transition to college
• Guaranteed class registration in math and English
• 1-day orientation prior to the start of college
• Dedicated instructors to your first year experience
• Extra support for math through supplemental instructions

Math PLUS

Register for a FREE one-week intensive math preparation program to prepare for your upcoming math class or prepare you to retake the math placement test. SAVE a semester of math and/or be more prepared to succeed in your math class. Offered at the Aptos campus and Watsonville Center from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Optional evenings too!

For more information and to apply,
See the Math PLUS website:
go.cabrillo.edu/mathplus
or contact the Math PLUS Coordinator Eric Grabiel:
E-mail: mathplus@cabrillo.edu
Phone (831) 477-3340,

SUMMER SESSION DATES:
June 12-16, 2017
August 14-18, 2017

Business Information Worker (BIW)

Every office needs a computer applications expert, and it can be you! Earn a Business Information Worker certificate in only two semesters, and start your career. Develop expertise in Microsoft Office, business technology, and other high demand skills to be ready to work in any business office, while getting the added support of a learning cohort. Members of this learning community are guaranteed enrollment in all required CABT courses.

THEMES: Business, Computer Applications

For more information, see the CABT website:
www.cabrillo.edu/academics/cabt/
or call (831) 477-3340
Help create a just world by exploring a problem in society that is important to you! ACE is a full-time, one semester program that helps you develop, discover, and build upon your strengths, become an effective student, and work well with others. ACE offers accelerated math and English options designed to jump start your success in college and life as you prepare for courses that lead to a degree or certificate.

**Academy for College Excellence (ACE)**

**THEMES:**
Social Justice; English and math acceleration

For more information, see the ACE website: [www.cabrillo.edu/academics/ace/](http://www.cabrillo.edu/academics/ace/) or call (831) 477-3340

**Honors Transfer Program**

The Cabrillo Honors Transfer Program provides an enriched educational experience through stimulating seminars, sophisticated literature, and outside research. The goal is to encourage Cabrillo students to seek challenges and pursue excellence. We offer an honors learning community that serves the high potential, high achieving students of our county. Universities are looking for outstanding students who have completed more than the minimum transfer requirements. As a result, competitive universities actively pursue honors students.

For more information, see the Honors website: [go.cabrillo.edu/honors](http://go.cabrillo.edu/honors) or call (831) 477-3505

**The PUENTE Project**

You can be a Puente student while taking other classes! The Puente Project is a year-long program starting with ENGL 100, that will help you transfer to a four year college or university. Participate in fun activities and visits to four year universities, get extra counseling support, and be paired with a mentor from the professional community.

**THEMES:**
The U.S. Latino/a experience; Diversity & Social Justice through the English sequence

For more information, see the PUENTE website: [www.cabrillo.edu/services/puente/](http://www.cabrillo.edu/services/puente/) or call Michelle Foguet-Mendoza at (831) 479-6541

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**PREP**

**Precalculus Readiness and Excellence Program**

Are you a STEM major who is planning to take Math 4 (pre-calculus)? PREP involves a 2-week intensive component held before the semester begins, followed by weekly workshops accompanying a pre-calculus course that you take as a group. PREP was created to help you do your best in this important math class, and to connect you to others on your same path who will be part of your future study groups.

Through PREP, students focus on:

- Increasing skill and confidence to succeed in college
- Finding errors, using graphing principles, and solving work problems
- Improving study habits and expanding math vocabulary
- Working effectively in small groups, understanding personal strengths and weaknesses, and enjoying mathematics!

For more information and to apply, call Kelli Horner at (831) 479-5785 or see the PREP website: [www.cabrillo.edu/services/stem/ PREP.html](http://www.cabrillo.edu/services/stem/ PREP.html)

**Fall PREP begins**

**August 7, 2017**

(3 weeks before the fall semester starts)