



# Learning all about LIVING LEARNING COMMUNITIES At UC San Diego

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# WHAT ARE LIVING LEARNING COMMUNITIES (LLCS)?

- Developed to strengthen undergraduate students' learning by helping connect the academic, co-curricular, and residential arenas. (*Lenning and Ebbers, 1999*)
- Characterized by housing students together in the same residence location, shared academic experiences, access to resources provided directly where they live, and engaging in activities that reinforce their program/theme. (*Inkelas and Associates, 2004*)
- These on-campus living environments are associated with **higher GPAs, deeper learning, increased retention rates, and increased graduation rates.**

# General information on the Identity-Based LLCs:

<https://hdhughousing.ucsd.edu/living-on-campus/room-selection/optional-housing.html>

## Overview of the Process:

- **March 5 - March 11** - Housing contracts will be issued to those that submitted a Continuing Student Housing Application by February 26 due date.
- **March 11** – Housing contract and \$450 prepayment due by 11:59 pm.
- **March 6 - March 18** - Students who completed the 2025-26 housing contract including the \$450 prepayment can apply for optional Living-Learning Communities and International House.



Deadline to complete contract and pre-payment: **March 11**

Deadline to submit LLC application: **March 18**

# PROGRAM FEATURES OF LLCs

## Centralized locations

- Each LLC features a central host location open to all colleges
- Apartments (in certain locations)
- Residence halls (in certain locations)

## Dedicated trained staffing

- Resident/House Advisors
- Program interns

## Residents of an LLC can:

- *Achieve academic connections and success*
- *Develop a sense of belonging and inclusion*
- *Actively participate in community building*

- *Celebrate concepts of intersectionality*
- *Create deliberate spaces where residents can:*
  - *Gather as a community*
  - *Make lifelong connections*
  - *Learn from one another through common affinities such as **culture and identity***



# AFRICAN BLACK DIASPORA LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITY (ABD LLC)

**ESTABLISHED AT SIXTH COLLEGE (2016)**

*Sixth College Residence Life - [sixthrlstaff@ucsd.edu](mailto:sixthrlstaff@ucsd.edu)*

- Recognizes the unique challenges and needs of the African Black Diaspora identities at institutions of higher education.
- The mission of this LLC is to establish an environment of personal and academic excellence through the affirmation and celebration of Blackness in its various expressions.
- We aspire to be a platform that African Black Diaspora students and their allies can use to exhibit their authenticity and agency while engaging with Blackness and its full range of humanities, necessities, and potentials.



# INTERNATIONAL HOUSE (I-HOUSE)

**ESTABLISHED AT ELEANOR ROOSEVELT COLLEGE (ERC) -1988**

*ERC Residence Life – [recreslife@ucsd.edu](mailto:recreslife@ucsd.edu)*

- The campus' first and largest living-learning community is comprised of students from all colleges and the UC Education Abroad Program representing over 30 countries annually with a goal of 50% international & 50% domestic residents;
- A part of the International Houses Worldwide (IHWW) consortium, I-House shares their mission of promoting global awareness and intercultural understanding;
- Residents are expected to actively contribute to community programs including Global Forum, Language Conversation Tables, Sunday Supper, Culture Nights & International Women's Week.



# LGBTQIA+ LIVING AND LEARNING COMMUNITY

**CONSOLIDATING FORMER CAMPUS-WIDE LGBT INTEREST HOUSING (2009);  
ESTABLISHED CENTRALLY AT MUIR (2016)**

*Muir Residential Life - [muirreslife@ucsd.edu](mailto:muirreslife@ucsd.edu)*

- Acknowledges the need to provide an inclusive space for our diverse LGBTQIA+ Community members from all colleges.
- We focus on providing a supportive residential environment that helps to empower residents who identify as LGBTQIA+ and their allies;
- We accomplish this through educational programming, social community meetings, leadership opportunities, and inter-community relationships.



# MULTI-CULTURAL LIVING AND LEARNING COMMUNITY (MCLLC)

**ESTABLISHED AT SIXTH COLLEGE (2010)**

*Sixth College Residence Life - [sixthrlstaff@ucsd.edu](mailto:sixthrlstaff@ucsd.edu)*

- Open to continuing students interested in promoting diversity and social justice;
- Residents are committed to developing and participating in educational and social opportunities for those interested in this multicultural community;
- Features active partnerships with student organizations and Campus Community Centers to coordinate and promote programs focused on student activism.





# RAZA LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITY

ESTABLISHED AT ELEANOR ROOSEVELT COLLEGE (2016)

ERC Residence Life – [ercreslife@ucsd.edu](mailto:ercreslife@ucsd.edu)

- The Raza LLC program provides a space within the International House complex and one of the residence halls in Eleanor Roosevelt College for new and continuing UCSD students from all six colleges to live and contribute to a vibrant living-learning community.
- Our “RAZAdents” are committed to developing an understanding of and greater appreciation for the Chicana and Latinx experience in San Diego & the United States and the histories and cultures of Latin America.
- Our programmatic objectives of **community-building, mentorship, and education** help develop peer-to-peer relationships with International House (I-House) and opportunities with the Raza Resource Centro and the campus student organizations creating formal and informal collaborations throughout the year.



# WARREN COLLEGE TRANSFER LIVING-LEARNING COMMUNITY

ESTABLISHED AT WARREN COLLEGE (2020)

Warren College Residence Life - [warrenreslife@ucsd.edu](mailto:warrenreslife@ucsd.edu)

- Warren Transfer students are able to live together within their home college, where they will get the opportunity to build a community.
- Participants will deepen their sense of campus belonging, college connection, and community building.



## Additional Information:

- Submitting a Living-Learning/Scholars/I-House Community DOES NOT guarantee you a space in that community. The host community will review all applications and notify applicants of the outcome.
- Requested Roommate Groups will only be considered if ALL students have also applied and been accepted to the same Living-Learning/Scholars/I-House Community. If only one student accepts the offer and the others do not or are not accepted, the roommate group will be disbanded when room assignments are made.

