How to add a CSM Learning Community

The College of Science and Mathematics created packages of classes in "combos" that you can pick and register for multiple courses. A learning community is a package of courses that are “tied” together in registration. You will take these courses with the same group of students which is a really great way to get to know people that are also completing similar degrees! And, each course will individually work towards a different requirement area for your major! When you go to a fast food restaurant, you know how you can order a combo 1 and get multiple items? Learning Communities operate the same way! Pick a Learning Community and get multiple courses you need!

Talk with your academic advisor to make sure a Learning Community is right for you. **Learning communities are for new, first year students and are not open to the general student population.**

How Do you Register?

Each course has a Course Registration Number (CRN). CRNs are individual identifiers down to the section of a specific course.

1) Log in to Owl Express and go to the Registration tab. On the Registration tab, you’ll see “Class Registration Add/Drop Classes.” Click it!
   a. You might have to accept a condition or statement the first time you click that option

2) Once on the Add/Drop page, scroll towards the bottom where you will see a row of individual, empty boxes. Each box is for a different CRN number. You will put each Learning Community CRN number in different boxes until all CRNs for the Learning Community are in their own boxes in that row (you can leave blank boxes too). You will need to submit all CRNs in a Learning Community at the same time for it to work.

3) Once all Learning Community CRNs are included in the boxes, you will click Submit to register for the Learning Community.

Example: I want a Learning Community that comes with 3 courses and I have the 3 CRN numbers- The CRNs are 8a###, 8b###, and 8c###. I would use 3 separate boxes to type out the 3 CRN numbers. Once I have 3 boxes filled out with each of those numbers, I would click register to get into all of them at the same time.

You can check your schedule by looking at “Display Your Class Schedule and Grades” on the Registration tab.

**You can tell that course are linked for Learning Communities because a C## can be found in the section number. So, to register for a Learning Community, you have to make sure you register for each of the courses in that Learning Community with the same C##.**