



Theme Learning Communities 2016-2017

Theme Community	What is it all about?	Possible Activities
Adventure Leadership	Adventure Leadership (ALC) is all about learning about yourself and the outdoors. Students have opportunities to learn outdoor survival skills, skills around various activities, and leadership skills around social justice, service learning, and self-awareness	Ropes Course, 14er Hiking, Backpacking Trips, Ice Climbing, Archery, Food Pantry volunteering.
Athleticism & Wellness	Athleticism & Wellness (A&W) students are all about getting out and having fun. Team sports, supporting Mines athletics and wellness activities are where they spend their time, learning how to care for themselves in college and how to stay happy & healthy.	Frisbee, Intramural Sports, 14er Hikes, 5K's with Faculty Friends, game day tailgates, yoga, talks on nutrition and mental wellness
Honors Explore Floor	Explore students are those admitted to Mines First Year Honors Program. Members of this program have the opportunity to live in a tight knit community with other honors members. These folks explore the liberal arts within our STEM institution.	Book clubs, trips to Denver museums, art exhibits and events, discussions regarding social justice, lawn games, and outdoor activities.
Grand Challenges	The Grand Challenge (EGC) is a community focused on learning about the grand challenges that the world faces and how Engineering will help to solve those issues. EGC students are exposed to research, design, innovation, entrepreneurship, and service learning. They will learn how to use their skills as an engineer with other professional areas to better the world.	Research and development of solutions to one of the Grand Challenges. Great opportunities to learn from various faculty, entrepreneurial challenges, Rube Goldberg creations and more!
Nucleus Scholars	Most Nucleus Scholars are students who are the first person in their family to go to college. This community will offer support and mentoring as well as monthly programming aimed at helping the community grow as individuals and become leaders on campus. Nucleus is a large family network of upper-class students also who welcome the new members of the family each year.	Workshops with CASA, Performances, Financial Literacy Programming, Service Programs within Denver, dinners with faculty, study nights, and outdoor activities like skiing, climbing, hiking, intermural sports
Oredigger Leadership	Oredigger Leadership (OLC) is a community of students who want to learn leadership skills. Students will learn skills to succeed and stretch their comfort zones so they can lead with knowledge, skills, and integrity on campus. The vision is that leadership is developed in each person, not a position or a role one is placed in.	Guest Speakers for lunch'n learns, Workshops on Time Management, Finance, Etiquette, Public Speaking. Service Events and opportunities to get out in the community!
Visual & Performing Arts	A community where students have an outlet for their artistic side. Students participate in activities from painting nights to jam sessions and learn about social justice and how to infuse their artistic side into their lives as engineers to better the profession.	Trips to Mercury Café, Denver Center for the Performing Arts, membership to the Foothills Arts Center, service around Golden.