



Service Learning Community

Be a part of Elon's
original learning
community.

What does it mean to LIVE THE LEGACY

The Service Learning Community has been on Elon's campus for 10 years, longer than any other Learning Community. Due to its long existence, many students and alumni were once a part of the SLC- each person leaving behind their own personal connections and traditions to the community and school. Living this legacy means that each member has a responsibility to continue contributing their time, energy, and experiential knowledge to those the enrichment of those relationships and traditions. Living the legacy also means each member also has a responsibility to contribute a part of him or herself to the community as well.

When we do service, we go with the purpose of changing our community for the better. We believe service is our calling... We are a family."

-Natalie, current SLC member

Housing Details

All the members of the SLC live together on the first floor of Staley Hall on the lake side. Located in North Campus, this is a co-ed hall style dorm consists of two rooms connected by a bathroom and separated by gender. In addition to the regular orientation, there is a specialized introductory experience for SLC students and the opportunity to move in 3 days earlier than other students to begin creating those bonds that will last throughout their freshmen year and college.

SO HOW DO I JOIN?

To apply to live on the SLC all you have to do is mark "yes" to question 7 on the online housing application. You will then be asked to complete additional questions on the online application so that the leaders and advisors will get to know you better and can choose the most diverse group of student possible. The diversity in the SLC is very important because the dynamic that a diverse group of students makes is conducive to growth and increased knowledge base due to numerous backgrounds, experiences, and interests. One quality that we look for in our diverse population is different levels of service experience because we believe that anyone can serve and grow through the learning aspect that the SLC provides even though one person may have experienced more than another.

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A community of students
dedicated to learning about the
world around them and making a
difference



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WHAT IS A LEARNING COMMUNITY?

A learning community is a group of students living in the same residential area who interact academically and socially with each other, staff, and faculty. Students in these communities participate in numerous activities that allow them to explore their shared area of interest.

WHO ARE WE?

The Service Learning Community is a group of 22 first-year students who share a common interest in service learning. As a floor, we create lifelong bonds while learning to internalize the meaning of our service. We strive to make service a part of every person's life. The SLC is also a great starting point to leadership opportunities on campus, especially with Elon Volunteers!, and other service-oriented groups.

While each member of the SLC is interested in some aspect of service, everyone brings different talents and experiences to the community. The SLC is a diverse group of people who have different interests, majors, familiarity with service, and much more. Our dynamic community makes the SLC unique to the Elon experience and encourages students to develop personal and organizational ties that will last throughout their years in school.

BENEFITS TO LIVING ON THE SLC

- There are organized service projects with a dedication to learning and growth through reflection
- You make numerous friends with shared passions and common goals
- You live in a positive social and academic environment.
- You gain an increased awareness of social issues faced by the community and the globe
- There are monthly social functions and bonding activities, such as retreats
- You are connected to community service organizations and leadership opportunities through the Kernodle Center for service learning
- Early move-in for an SLC only orientation
- You gain unique personal growing experiences
- The SLC is a home away from home



"Deciding to live in the SLC was the best decision I made coming to Elon. Doing service with such an incredible group of people has been great, but learning about service and the deeper meaning of what we do has been the best part of the SLC."

-Kayla, current SLC member



SOME OF OUR PROJECTS

Each year, the SLC students choose projects they are passionate about to work on throughout their time in the community. Whether the focus of the month is on children, the environment, education, health, or other popular topics, the projects strive to positively impact the lives of those involved. Examples from recent years include: cleaning Lake Verona, tutoring adults for their G.E.D., visiting Kopper Top Life Learning Center, raising money for Duke Children's Hospital and Invisible Children, playing with local children at the Burlington Housing Authority and at the Boys and Girls Club, Blood Drives, and Hunger and Homelessness Awareness. Each year new service opportunities are offered based on the dynamic and interests of the members.

For information on the Service Learning Community please visit our Web site:

www.elon.edu/e-web/students/service_learning/slc.xhtml

or join our Facebook group by searching:
SLC 2008-2009 Interest Group