

## **Mission Statement**

The learning communities program at LIU Post aims to construct a dynamic campus-wide strategy intentionally designed to assist students with developing the skills and attitudes connected to engagement with learning. While using both first-year seminars and higher-level learning communities to advance the academic components of first-year and sophomore experience programs, the learning community initiative aims to partner with student life based on a holistic approach to student learning that takes into account the deep connection among intellectual, emotional, and psychological development. As a strategy of student engagement, the learning community initiative will seek to build relationships among students and provide them with the skills to build and maintain them; foster communication among students across differences; promote learning outside of the classroom; and create opportunities for relationships with peers, the campus community and the broader world. Developing integrative approaches to learning across disciplines, the learning communities program seeks to develop student initiative, encourage habits of preparedness, provide opportunities inside and outside the classroom for reflection, and inspire intellectual curiosity