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Websites

In addition to websites at individual institutions, there are four premier websites for information on learning communities and freshman seminars.

<http://learningcommons.evergreen.edu> is the website of the National Learning Communities Project located at The Evergreen State College. This website includes an extensive bibliography, a national directory of learning communities in the United States, and various useful resources on getting started and sustaining learning communities and assessment.

www.sc.edu/fye is the site of the National Resource Center for The First-Year Experience and Students in Transition at the University of South Carolina. This website offers extensive information on their conferences, publications, and research. Especially notable are their national surveys of first-year programming.

www.brevard.edu/fyc is the website of the Policy Center on the First Year of College, which includes extensive information on assessment, research reports, and forums and institutes pertaining to the first year of college.

www.bgsu.edu/colleges/as/clc/rlcch/ is the website of the Residential Learning Communities International Clearinghouse.

Written Publications

There is a large literature on learning communities available at the National Learning Communities website referenced above. The following literature is a highly selective list that provides a good starting place for those interested in reading more about learning communities.

Learning Community Rationale and Practice

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